

International Student Orientation Schedule – Fall 2017

International Student Orientation is a 5-day event designed to help you transition to your life at Appalachian and in the U.S. You will spend the days with other new international students and Appalachian students learning about all the things you need to know to make sure your time here is both successful and enjoyable. **All sessions are mandatory unless noted in the schedule. No exceptions will be made.** Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the schedule. Note: the location PSU is the Plemmons Student Union on campus and COE is the Reich College of Education. We look forward to welcoming you to Appalachian and helping you succeed academically and personally during your time here.

Meals During Orientation

The Office of Student Development will provide 11 free meals for all new students between Monday, August 14 and Friday, August 18. You will be given a yellow card with money, which will be used to pay for your meals during orientation at Sanford Commons in the Roess Dining Hall. **This card can only be used at the Roess Dining Hall and only during orientation.** After Friday, August 12 you will need to use your meal card or cash to pay for meals. The Roess Dining Hall will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM; 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM; and 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM each day during orientation.

Arrival: Sunday, August 13 – Arrival in Charlotte, NC

Representatives from Appalachian will be at Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) from 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM to meet you and go with you to the hotel. Look for a sign with “Appalachian State University” and your name on it when you arrive.

Important: Make sure you have reserved a room at the Best Western Sterling Plus Hotel and Suites prior to your arrival. When you make the reservation tell them you are part of the Appalachian State University group to receive a discounted rate. Spend the day resting and getting to know other new international students and current Appalachian students. There will be multiple trips to local restaurants throughout the day organized by INTAPP.

Day 1: Monday, August 14 – Travel to Boone, NC

	Location
7:00 A.M. – 8:00 AM Breakfast (provided for free at the hotel)	Best Western Hotel
8:00 A.M. – 8:30 AM Check out of the hotel	Best Western Hotel
Important: Make sure that your bags are packed and ready to be loaded onto the bus.	
8:30 AM Bus departs the hotel for Boone.	
11:00 AM Arrive at Appalachian. Check-in to your residence hall.	Various Locations
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Welcome Lunch and Reception	Solarium (PSU 118)
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM Campus Tour, App Card and activities w/ INTAPP	Leave from Solarium
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM Borrowed Item Donation	Solarium (PSU 118)
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Trip to Walmart for Supplies	Locust Street Circle
<i>Travel to Walmart with local volunteers to get everything you might need for your first night in your residence hall. IMPORTANT: Please make sure you know what items you received from the borrowed item donation program and from your kitchen box provided by INTAPP before going to Walmart.</i>	
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Pizza party with INTAPP	The Standard
<i>Come socialize, eat pizza and play games with INTAPP at Boone’s newest apartment complex</i>	

Day 2: Tuesday, August 15

IMPORTANT: You must bring your passport and I-20 or DS-2019 and all of your health and immunization records with you today.

	Location
7:30 AM – 8:15 AM Breakfast	Roess Dining Hall
8:15 AM – 8:30 AM Check In/Collect Passports and I-20s/DS-2019s	Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124)
<i>You will turn in your passport and I-20 or DS-2019 when you arrive to Gordon Hall and then you will be escorted to Health Services and the computer labs. Bring all medical/immunization documents.</i>	
8:30 AM – 11:30 AM Check-In and Appalnet/ISSSO Portal Training	Computer Lab (COE)
Group A will go to Health Services at 8:30 AM and return to the Computer Lab in COE when finished. Group B will stay in the COE first and then to Health Services at 10:00 AM.	
8:30 AM – 11:30 PM Health Services	Health Services
<i>Meet with representatives from the M.S. Shook Student Health Services to review your health and immunization records to make sure you are in compliance. They will also be available to answer any questions you have about health insurance and your general health/wellness during your time at ASU.</i>	
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM INTAPP Icebreaker Activity and Coffee Break	Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124)
<i>Students who complete the check-in and training in the computer lab can socialize with INTAPP.</i>	
12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M. Lunch	Roess Dining Hall
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Campus/Community Resource Fair	Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124)
<i>This is your opportunity to speak to representatives from support services and resources from across campus and the community that will be beneficial to you.</i>	

- 2:30 PM – 3:00 PM** Coffee Break Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124)
- 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM** F-1 Visa Regulations Session – Staying in Status Roan Mountain (PSU 122)
- 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM** J-1 Visa Regulations Session – Staying in Status Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124)
Learn about everything you need to know and do to ensure that you stay in legal status as a J-1 or F-1 student. Your passports and I-20s or DS-2019s will be returned at this time.
- 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM** Get Involved! Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124)
Learn about all of the ways you can share your culture and learn about U.S. culture at Appalachian.
- 6:00 – 7:30 PM** Dinner (on your own or with INTAPP) Roess Dining Hall
You can choose to have dinner in the Dining Hall with your meal card or on King Street with INTAPP.

Day 3: Wednesday, August 16

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| 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM Breakfast | Roess Dining Hall |
| 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Library Tour and Information Session (light breakfast provided) | Belk Library 421 |
| 10:30 AM – 11:45 AM Team Trivia: College Classroom Survival 101 | Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124) |
| <i>Team up with your new friends for a game of trivia! Test your knowledge and learn what to expect in a U.S. classroom - winning team will get prizes. Hear tips and advice for academic success from an Appalachian State University professor.</i> | |
| 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch | Roess Dining Hall |
| 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Course registration information | Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124) |
| <i>This session is required for J-1 exchange students and optional but useful for F-1 students.</i> | |
| 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM U.S. Culture in and Out of the Classroom | Gordon Gathering Hall (COE 124) |
| <i>In this fun and interactive session you will learn about many of the elements of U.S. culture that might be different than yours and develop skills and techniques that will help you thrive in your new culture.</i> | |
| 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Free Time and Dinner | Wherever you want! |
| 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Sports night with INTAPP (optional) | Quinn Center |
| <i>Come have fun, participate in athletic events, and see all of the facilities available to students.</i> | |

NOTE: International Orientation ends on August 16. The rest of the schedule contains important events related to regular orientation and other beginning of the semester activities. Please attend the ones that are relevant for you.

You will most likely have more free time on Thursday and/or Friday than you did earlier in the week. Please use this time to relax and become more familiar with campus and the community. Also, this would be a good time to take care of any logistical matters you need to attend to (phone, bank account, etc.).

Day 4: Thursday, August 17 – Degree-seeking Undergraduates only

	Location
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Breakfast	Roess Dining Hall
8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Registration and Check-in	Schaefer Center
9:30 AM – 5:30 PM New student orientation	Schaefer Center and Various Locations
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM App-Z Welcome	Sanford Mall

Join us for the App-Z Welcome to connect with students and get familiar with Appalachian campus.

Featuring a Popcorn Bar, Tie-Dye T-Shirts, Photo booth, DJ & more!

IMPORTANT: This schedule is only for undergraduate students who are here to receive a degree from Appalachian State University. If you are a graduate student or an exchange student please refer to your specific schedule.

Day 4: Thursday August 17 – Exchange Students

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM The Appalachian Way	IG Greer
<i>The Appalachian Way focuses on academic integrity, campus involvement, community, and what it really means to be an Appalachian student.</i>	
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Day 4: Thursday, August 17 – Graduate Students

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM The Appalachian Way (optional)	IG Greer
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6:30 PM – 9:00 PM App-Z Welcome (optional)	Sanford Mall

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Day 5: Friday, August 18 – Degree-seeking Undergraduates

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Health Services follow up appointment	
<i>You will make an appointment with Health Services on Tuesday to come back on Friday. It will only take a few minutes somewhere between 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM.</i>	
8:30 AM – 2:30 PM New Student Orientation	Various Locations

Day 5: Friday, August 18 – Exchange Students

Location

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Registration help at OIED (Optional)

Bass Lake (PSU 321)

Representatives from International Education and Development will be available to help you with your course schedule and answer your questions on a walk-in basis. This is only for students who have questions or concerns about their course schedule.

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Phone/Banking advice at OIED (Optional)

Bass Lake (PSU 321)

INTAPP members will be on hand to provide you with advice about local banks and phone companies.

9:30 AM – 2:30 AM Health Services follow up appointment

You will make an appointment with Health Services on Tuesday to come back on Friday. It will only take a few minutes somewhere between 9:30 AM and 2:30 PM.

Day 5: Friday, August 18 - MBA Students only

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Health Services follow up appointment

You will make an appointment with Health Services on Tuesday to come back on Friday. It will only take a few minutes somewhere between 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM.

10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. MBA Orientation

Peacock Hall 4th Floor

Day 5: Friday, August 18– Graduate Students

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Health Services follow up appointment

You will make an appointment with Health Services on Tuesday to come back on Friday. It will only take a few minutes somewhere between 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM.

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Phone/Banking advice at OIED (Optional)

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Sunday, August 20 – everyone!

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM Club Expo

Holmes Convocation Center

Come learn about all the ways you can get involved on campus and in the Boone Community. There will be over 250 organizations represented. We highly recommend joining clubs that interest you and Club Expo is the place to start!

Tuesday, August 22 – everyone!

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM International Friendship Family Potluck

Parkway Ballroom (PSU 420)

This event is open to students who wish to participate in the International Friendship Program. You will meet your International Friendship Program Local Friends and get to know them while eating food prepared by the families.

Welcome Weekend Activities

Campus wide social activities that everyone is welcome to participate in! More information at orientation.appstate.edu/welcome-weekend

Friday, August 18th

- 8:30 – 9:30pm - Residence Hall Floor Meeting (on campus students only)
- 9:30 – 2:00am - UREC Night @ The Student Recreation Center
- 9:30 – 11:00pm - Movie on the Mall @ Sanford Mall
- 9:00 – 11:00pm - Billiards and Games @ Student Union
- 11:00 – 2:00am - Midnight Pancake Breakfast @ Roess Dining Hall

Saturday, August 19th

- 8:00 – 2:00pm - BIG Sale @ Legends
- 12:00 – 1:00pm - Appol Corps Time @ residence halls
- 1:00 - 2:00pm - Exchange @ assigned rooms
- 2:00 - 3:00pm - Common Reading Book Discussion @ assigned rooms
- 3:30 - 4:30pm - I Am App @ Holmes Convocation Center
- 6:00 – 9:00pm - Meet the Greeks Cookout @ Sanford Mall/Duck Pond Field
- 9:00 - 1:00am - APP Spectacular @ Sanford Mall AND Varsity Gym

Sunday, August 20th

- 8:30 – 10:30am - Spiritual Life at ASU @ Student Union
- 1:00 – 2:00pm - Hanging with Appol Corps/Campus Walk @ assigned rooms & around campus
- 2:00 - 3:30pm - Free Hugs Project @ Schaefer Center (Session #1)
- 3:30 - 5:00pm - Free Hugs Project @ Schaefer Center (Session #2)
- 2:00 – 6:00pm – CLUB EXPO @ Holmes Convocation Center
- 8:00-12:00am - Party in the Union @ Student Union

Monday, August 21st

- 10:30 - 12:00pm - Black and Gold Convocation @ Holmes Convocation Center
- 12:00 - 12:30pm - Mountaineer March to Kidd Brewer Stadium
- 12:30 – 3:00pm - Eclipse Party at The Rock!!! @ Kidd Brewer Stadium