

Fall Semester 2025

International Student Orientation Schedule

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

Important: Bring your passport and immigration documents (DS-2019 or I-20) today.
Get your student ID card at the Public Safety office (Old Main 251).

Time	Activity	Location
8:00-9:00 am	Orientation Check-In Catered Continental Breakfast Hint: Use some of this time to get your student ID made in Old Main 251	Cebula Hall Third Floor Event Space (Building 22 on map)
9:00-9:05 am	Dr. Roger Douglas, Dean, International Programs and Development: Welcome	
9:05-9:30 am	Lauren Savage, Director, Community Engagement: Orientation Overview and Icebreaker Activity – Finding Friends	
9:30-10:00 am	Dr. Roger Douglas, Dean of International Programs: F-1 and J-1 Immigration Policies Immigration Paperwork and Document Collection	
10:00-10:30 am	Justin Stern, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, Director of Housing and Residence Life: Title IX and Residence Hall Overview	
10:30-11:00 am	Jessica Cheng, Director, International Development: Academic Policies and US Classroom Culture	
11:00-11:30 am	Madi Wenger, LowerMark Insurance: Health Insurance Plan Information	
11:30-12:00 pm	Sharon Schnebly, Assistant Director, Public Safety: Safety On and Off Campus	
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch Taco Bar catered by BonAppetit	
1:00-2:00 pm	Campus Walking Tour Led by Student Peers	All around SMU
2:00-3:00 pm	Lindsay K. Meyer, PhD, Director of Counseling & Wellness Center: Counseling and Wellness Center Services	Counseling and Wellness Center
3:00-4:00 pm	Benjamin Tan, Director of the Data Center, and Stephanie Gorzelsky, Library Director: Library and Campus Technology Overview	O'Grady Library (Main Level Classroom)
4:00-5:00 pm	Christie Carlson, Health Center Administrator: Health Center Services	Health Center (Burton Hall Room 102)
5:00-6:00 pm	Pizza Dinner	Parsons Hall Great Room



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Time	Activity	Location
8:15-8:45 am	Tasmiah “Taz” Shams, Assistant General Manager, Bon Appetit Breakfast, Welcome, and Meal Plans 101	Saint Gertrude’s Café
8:45-9:00 am	Lauren Savage, Director of Community Engagement: Daily Schedule Overview, Q&A, Walk to Grand Staircase Base	Saint Gertrude’s Café
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Intercity Transit, Bus Buddy Volunteers: Learn the Local Bus System	Lowest Steps, Old Main Grand Staircase (GS on map)
12:00-1:00 pm	Emily Alberts, Campus Ministry Program Manager & Father Peter Lunch with Campus Ministry and a Monk	Saint Gertrude’s Café
1:00-5:00 pm	Andrew Garcia, Interim Director of Academic Advising: Academic Advising Session – Finalize your course selections Note: Once your schedule is sorted or while you are waiting for your turn, you will have time to unpack, rest, or go shopping at Fred Meyer and/or Target. This is also a great time to get your SMU ID made if you have not done so yet.	Center for Student Success
5:00 pm-8:00 pm	Food Truck Night! Walk to the nearby depot. Dinner is on us!	Lacey Food Truck Depot 5700 Lacey Blvd SE Lacey, WA 98503

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Friday, August 22, 2025

Time	Activity	Location
8:00-8:50 am	Breakfast	Saint Gertrude’s Café
9:00 am-12:00 pm <i>Exact time is not yet finalized, but sometime within this range</i>	Shanna Paxton, Official Saint Martin’s University Photographer Photography Session with Nations’ Flags	Harned Hall, Monk’s Bean (Bldg. 6 on map)
12:00-2:00 pm	Welcome Weekend Kickoff Lunch and Resource Fair	White Tent (near Grand Staircase)
2:00-4:30 pm	Join Your Welcome Weekend Group, Blessing, Group Photo	White Tent (near Grand Staircase)
4:30-5:30 pm	New Beginnings Dinner	Charneski Recreation Center
6:00-7:00 pm	Residence Hall First Floor Meetings	Your Residence Hall