

Spring Semester 2026
International Student Orientation Schedule
Thursday, January 8, 2026

Today's Goal: Get your student ID card at the Public Safety office (Old Main 251)

Time	Activity	Location
<i>8:00-9:00 am</i>	Welcome Breakfast and Orientation Check-In with OIPD Staff	
<i>9:00-9:30 am</i>	Dr. Roger Douglas, Dean of International Programs: Official Welcome	
<i>9:30-10:00 am</i>	F-1 and J-1 Immigration Policies	
<i>10:00-10:30 am</i>	Lauren Savage, Director, Community Engagement: Orientation Overview and Icebreaker Activity – Finding Friends	
<i>10:30-11:30 am</i>	Jessica Cheng, Director, International Development: Academic Policies and US Classroom Culture	
<i>11:30am-12:30 pm</i>	Campus Walking Tour Led by Student Peers	Old Main Classroom 414 (Building 1 on map)
<i>12:30-1:00 pm</i>	Lunch Break, Taco Bar catered by Bon Appetit	
<i>1:00-1:30 pm</i>	Madí Wenger, LewerMark Insurance: Health Insurance Plan Information	
<i>1:30-2:00 pm</i>	Sharon Schnebly, Assistant Director, Public Safety: Safety On and Off Campus	
<i>2:00-2:15 pm</i>	Justin Stern, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, Director of Housing and Residence Life: Title IX and Residence Hall Overview	
<i>2:15-2:45 pm</i>	Walk to Next Activity	
<i>2:45-3:00 pm</i>	Lindsay K. Meyer, PhD, Counseling & Wellness Center Director: Overview of Counseling and Wellness Center Services	Counseling and Wellness Center (Building 4 on map)
<i>3:00-4:00 pm</i>	Walk to Next Activity	
<i>4:00-5:00 pm</i>	Benjamin Tan, Director of the Data Center, and Stephanie Gorzelsky, Library Director: Overview of Campus Technology and Library Tour	O'Grady Library Main Level Classroom (Building 14 on map)
<i>5:00-6:00 pm</i>	Christie Carlson, Health Center Administrator: Overview of Student Health Center Services	Health Center Burton Hall Room 102 (Building 11 on map)
	Dinner Break, Pizza	Parsons Hall Great Room (Building 16 on map)



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Friday, January 9, 2026

Important: Bring your passport and immigration documents (DS-2019 or I-20) with you to breakfast today

Time	Activity	Location
8:00-8:45 am	Tasmiah "Taz" Shams, Assistant General Manager, Bon Appetit Breakfast, Welcome, and Meal Plans 101	Saint Gertrude's Café (First Floor of Old Main)
8:45-9:00 am	Walk to Next Activity	
9:00-11:45 am	Andrew Garcia, Director of Academic Advising: Academic Advising Session – Finalize your course selections	Center for Student Success (O'Grady Library; Lower Level)
	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 could also be a great time to get your SMU ID made.	
11:45am-12:00 pm	Walk to Next Activity	
12:00 pm-5:00 pm	Join Campus Life's In-Person Orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lunch to be served at 2:00 pm• Learn about what it means to be a Saint at SMU	Norman Worthington Conference Center (Building 9 on map)