

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Fall 2020 Freshman Orientation – Schedule of Events

Many of our events are for both students and their families; events for students only are printed in **red**, and events for families only are printed in **blue**. Sessions occasionally overlap, so you'll need to choose which session you want to attend. Many sessions are repeated on Day Two to provide flexibility to your schedule.

Day One

Arrive On Campus

8–10:30 a.m.

Parking Lot 63, east of the Maple-Willow-Larch (MWL) Residence Halls

When you arrive on campus, your first step will be to get your parking permit from orientation staff. You may register for overnight housing at this time as well.

Orientation Registration

8–10:30 a.m.

0020 Hixson-Lied Student Success Center

You may customize your arrival time to fit the activities you plan to attend on Day One.

Check-In to Willow Hall

7:30 a.m.–9:30 p.m.

MWL Conference Desk

If you are planning to stay with us overnight in campus housing, students and guests can purchase the room and orientation dinner package at the Maple-Willow-Larch Conference Desk. Advance reservations are not required.

Mapping Your Orientation

8:30, 9, 9:30 or 10 a.m.

Campanile Room, Memorial Union

Cyclone Aide Advisers will provide an overview of your orientation experience to help you get the most out of your visit and identify which sessions target your individual questions and concerns.

ISUCard

8 a.m.–4 p.m.

8–10:30 a.m. Sunday

0530 Beardshear Hall

To get your ISUCard, bring a state- or federal-issued photo ID and your AccessPlus login information. Your ISUCard is your permanent student ID card.

Iowa State Email Registration/Net-ID

8 a.m.–4 p.m.

192 Parks Library

If you have not already registered for your university email account (Net-ID), stop by to create one. Save yourself a step and register your Net-ID prior to orientation at asw.iastate.edu.

University Billing and U

9–9:25 a.m. or 9:30–9:55 a.m.

South Ballroom, Memorial Union

The university bill (UBill) is the source for communicating university charges to students electronically via AccessPlus. Learn about payment plans, how to pay your UBill, how to set up third party access, and utilizing financial aid toward UBill charges.

Financial Aid Overview

10–10:50 a.m. or 11–11:50 a.m.

South Ballroom, Memorial Union

Financial Aid will provide information on financial aid programs and processes so you and your family are prepared to make informed decisions about paying for your education. An overview of the FAFSA, types of financial aid, steps required to secure aid and planning resources will be discussed.

Financial Aid Walk-in Service

8 a.m.–4 p.m.

8 a.m.–noon Sunday

0210 Beardshear Hall

Many of your financial aid questions can be answered by attending the Financial Aid Overview session. If you have specific questions about your financial aid, meet with a financial aid adviser at this time.

Residence Hall Open House

10 a.m.–12 p.m.

See below for locations

Stop by to see a representative room and learn more about what each area has to offer. You are welcome to visit multiple communities during your orientation. See below for a complete list of available buildings to tour.

Friley Hall (east entrance), Helser Hall (east entrance, middle of building), Martin Hall (east entrance), Eaton Hall (east entrance), Geoffroy Hall (north or south entrances), Buchanan Hall (north or south entrances), Willow Hall (east ground-level entrance), Lyon Hall* (south entrance by arches), Linden Hall* (north side stairs entrance), and Wilson Hall (commons, north entrance).

Living in Birch, Welch, Roberts, Barton, Lyon, or Freeman Halls? Visit Lyon Hall for your open house. Living in Oak-Elm or Linden Hall? Visit Linden Hall for your open house.

*Location is a limited access space and requires use of stairs.

Sororities and Fraternities

10–11 a.m.

Maintenance Shop, Memorial Union

Iowa State sorority and fraternity leaders and staff will talk about the benefits of sorority and fraternity membership by sharing stories of academic and civic engagement, friendship, leadership, and social justice. The session will cover why students choose to join, how to join, and what the experience will be like after joining a sorority and fraternity.

Campus Walking Tour

10–11 a.m.

North exit of Memorial Union

Meet a Cyclone Aide at the Fountain of the Four Seasons outside the Memorial Union for a guided tour of campus.

Parks Library Tour

11:15 a.m.–12 p.m. (Monday–Friday)

198 Parks Library

Learn about the library's spaces, collections, and services. Enjoy a tour of the library, including the Grant Wood Murals.

Lunch on Your Own

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Lunch is available to purchase in several locations including the Memorial Union and The Hub. Some locations are closed on Sundays; local restaurants will be open. Guests with special dietary needs are encouraged to discuss options before orientation by contacting ISU Dining at dining@iastate.edu or by calling 515 294-3812. Check dining.iastate.edu for hours, menus, and locations.

Arrive at University Welcome

Prior to 12:45 p.m.

Locations will vary by academic college.

University Welcome

1–1:30 p.m.

This is your official welcome to Iowa State University! Important information about the remainder of your orientation program will be highlighted.

Academic College Meeting and Activities

1:30–5 p.m.

Learn more about your academic program at Iowa State. Attendance is required in order to register for classes on Day Two. This session includes important information about selecting your fall courses, registering for classes, graduation requirements, and your Day Two advising appointment.

Your academic college may provide individualized programming for students and families in separate locations.

Dinner

5–6 p.m.

Friley Windows Dining Center

Cyclone Aides will join you to answer your questions while you experience Friley Windows for dinner. If you purchased the room and dinner package, the cost of dinner is included. If you did not purchase the package, a buffet-style dinner is offered at an orientation rate of \$11.50 per person (\$8.50 for ages 4–9; no charge for children aged 3 and under).

What You Need to Know

6:15–8 p.m.

Students - South Ballroom, Memorial Union

Family members - Sun Room, Memorial Union

These sessions, one created for students and one created for families, are a great way to cap off your first day of orientation. Get all the first year details in these sessions, including services provided by our Dean of Students Office and the Department of Public Safety.

You will also meet up with other new Cyclones to learn about living on campus and roommates, adjusting to campus life, money management, academic support services, and more.

Munch and Mingle

8–8:45 p.m.

Memorial Union Commons

This is your official meet up location after the What You Need to Know session. Enjoy light refreshments, discuss fall class selections, and make plans for Day Two.

Evening Recreation

9–10:30 p.m.

Meet on the mezzanine level of Willow Residence Hall

Students can enjoy volleyball, basketball, Ultimate Frisbee, or board games. Please wear closed-toe athletic shoes if you plan to participate in sporting activities.

Day Two

Check out of Willow Hall

Before 8 a.m.

Breakfast on Your Own

7–8 a.m.

Breakfast can be purchased at several locations on campus, including East Side Market located in the Maple-Willow-Larch Commons (convenience items), the Memorial Union (hot and convenience items), the Hub (Roasterie Cafe coffee and pastries), and Friley Windows (full hot breakfast).

Advising Appointments

8 a.m.–2 p.m.

Scheduled by colleges

During this time, you will meet with an academic adviser and register for your fall classes. Your advising appointment information is provided during the College Meeting on Day One.

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Key Topics for Family Members

8:15–10 a.m.

Sun Room, Memorial Union

Start your morning with important information from Thielen Student Health Center services and student health insurance, transportation, logistics of residence hall Move-In Day, selecting a meal plan, and much more.

A panel of Iowa State faculty will also discuss your student's academic experience and tips on how they can adjust to the college classroom.

Being New at ISU

9–10 a.m. or 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Pioneer Room, Memorial Union

Meet new Cyclones and prepare for the upcoming adventure with this session covering on-campus living and dining, campus life and involvement, parking, health and wellness, and more.

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Your Cyclone Family Adventure

10:15–11:15 a.m.

Gallery Room, Memorial Union

Discuss how to communicate with your student, encourage them to thrive and support them in overcoming their challenges. Staff from Dean of Students Office will facilitate an interactive dialogue focusing on what to expect in the first six weeks and strategies to effectively navigate a successful transition.

Parks Library Tour

11:15 a.m.–12 p.m. (Monday - Friday)

198 Parks Library

See Day One for session description.

Resource Fair

11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

Great Hall, Memorial Union

Come and browse! Campus and community representatives provide materials about programs, activities, and services at Iowa State. Students can register for Destination Iowa State.

Sororities and Fraternities

1–2 p.m.

Maintenance Shop, Memorial Union

See Day One for session description.

Recreation Services Facilities Self-Guided Tour

1–3 p.m.

State Gym and/or Lied Recreation Athletic Center

Tour the recreation facilities at State Gym and/or Lied Recreation Athletic Center. Stop by the front service desk to pick up a tour handout and explore at your own pace.

University Billing and U

1–1:25 p.m.

South Ballroom, Memorial Union

See Day One for session description.

Community Connections

DAY ONE ONLY

First-Year Honors Program Orientation

10:15 a.m.

Jischke Honors Building

Students accepted into the First-Year Honors Program are invited to learn about the Honors program and course offerings and how participating in the Honors Program will impact their Iowa State adventure.

Meet the ISU Choir Conductors

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

111 Music Hall

Learn about choir opportunities and receive information on choir registration.

DAY TWO ONLY

Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success

Walk-in: 12–2 p.m.

3224 Memorial Union

Stop by to receive information about connecting to community and leadership opportunities that foster personal and academic success for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, intersex, asexual, and allied students.

Multicultural Student Affairs Open House

Walk-in: 1:30–3 p.m.

2080 Student Services Building

Feel free to stop by and meet the Multicultural Student Affairs staff and learn how the office supports students of color on campus.

Cyclone Marching Band

1 p.m.

140 Music Hall (Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall)

An informational meeting about the Cyclone Marching Band. Visit music.iastate.edu/org/marching for more information.

DAY ONE AND TWO

Student Accessibility Services Consultations

Day One: by appointment only 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Day Two: walk-in hours 1–4 p.m.

1076 Student Services Building

Students with a documented disability or those with questions about their disability status should visit with SAS during orientation to discuss reasonable accommodations.

Contact 515 294-7220 or e-mail accessibility@iastate.edu for an appointment.

Important notes

Changing your major

Orientation programming is specific to your major. It's important to let us know if you would like to switch your major prior to orientation, so we can provide you with the best possible orientation content. If you decide to change your major, please update us at admissions.iastate.edu/forms/change_application.php.

Overnight accommodations

Meal and room packages that include staying in Willow Hall and dinner at Friley Windows Dining Center may be purchased during your visit to Iowa State. No advance reservations are needed.

To purchase your package, stop by the Maple-Willow-Larch Conference Desk between 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Day One.

Navigating campus

For those who are able, walking is the primary way of exploring campus. Please wear comfortable shoes and make sure you dress for the weather, including an umbrella for each student and guest!

The fare-free CyRide orange route (#23) runs every 5-15 minutes and is available to take you to your orientation activities. See your orientation map for stop locations.

CyRide Orange Route (#23) hours:

6:30 a.m.– 9 p.m. Weekdays

7:40 a.m.– 1:15 p.m., 4– 5 p.m., 7:50– 9 p.m. Sundays

Cy's Sibs

Cy's Sibs is hosted for rising 5th–9th graders who are siblings of students participating in orientation.

Siblings begin their adventure at 12:15 p.m. on Day One at the Soult's Family Visitor Center in the Memorial Union and reunite with their family at 5 p.m. on the ground floor of the Friley Windows Dining Center.

Pre-register at least one week prior to orientation. Visit admissions.iastate.edu/orientation/during/cys_sibs_form.php to register. For questions, contact the Office of New Student Programs at 515 294-5492 or nsp@iastate.edu.

Accessibility Services

Students who have a documented disability are strongly encouraged to set up an appointment to meet with a Student Accessibility Services staff member during their orientation visit.

During your visit you will discuss reasonable accommodations for your needs. Students who would like to request accommodations for orientation should contact SAS at least two weeks in advance. Please contact SAS by calling 515 294-7220 or e-mail accessibility@iastate.edu.