

# International Undergraduate Orientation

Fall 2019



### **Orientation Schedule**

### Sunday, August 18

9:00 am - 8:00 pm	Airport pick-up and arrivals	Roemmele Global Commons Williams Hall
	Identification, housing key and packet pick-up	
	Residence hall move-in	
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Welcome lunch International Orientation Leader (iOL) meet and greet	Roemmele Global Commons Williams Hall
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Dinner with iOLs	Rathbone Hall

### Monday, August 19

7:15 am - 8:15 am	Breakfast	Rathbone Hall
8:30 am - 11:45 am	OISS check-in (by appointment)	Room 104 Coxe Hall
	English speaking evaluation	Room 400 and 402 Linderman Library
	Tuberculosis testing and immunization review	Health and Wellness Center Johnson Hall
	Banking and phone vendor fair	Room 200 Linderman Library
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch	Rathbone Hall
1:15 pm - 2:45 pm	OISS check-in (by appointment)	Room 104 Coxe Hall
	English speaking evaluation	Room 400 and 402 Linderman Library
	Tuberculosis testing and immunization review	Health and Wellness Center Johnson Hall
	Banking and phone vendor fair	Room 200 Linderman Library
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Shopping trip to Target (Bus 1)	Pick up in front of the Dialogue Center
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Shopping trip to Target (Bus 2)	Pick up in front of the Dialogue Center
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Welcome dinner	Asa Packer Dining Room University Center

### Tuesday, August 20

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast	Rathbone Hall
9:00 am - 12:20 pm	Morning sessions	Maginnes Hall
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Red Group: English placement testing Blue Group: Resource fair	Room 113 Room 101
	Green Group: Nutrition and wellbeing	Room 112
	Purple Group: International student panel	Room 111
	Brown Group: Lehigh 101 and American Etiquette	Room 102
10:10 am - 11:10 am	Red Group: International student panel	Room 111
	Blue Group: English placement testing	Room 113
	Green Group: Resource fair	Room 101
	Purple Group: Lehigh 101 and American Etiquette	Room 102
	Brown Group: Nutrition and wellbeing	Room 112
11:20 am - 12:20 pm	Red Group: Lehigh 101 and American Etiquette	Room 102
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### Wednesday, August 21

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast	Rathbone Hall
9:00 am - 3:30 pm	Sessions	Rauch Business Center
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Immigration overview	Room 184
	Life in a third culture (for U.S. citizens and permanent residents only)	Room 161
10:00 am - 11:00 am	How to handle culture shock	Room 184
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Introduction to the American classroom	Room 184, 241, 271
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch	Room 160 (Art Gallery)
1:30-2:30 pm	Relationship building	Room 184
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Workshop: Design thinking and entrepreneurship	Room 184
4:00 pm - 4:45 pm	Pick up First-Year Orientation packets	Office of the First-Year Experience (OFYE) University Center
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Class of 2023 photo	Front Lawn University Center
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Barbecue with Global PreLUsion	STEPS Lawn (Rain location: STEPS Lobby)
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	OFYE social event	Farrington Square

## International Orientation Leaders

International Orientation Leaders (iOLs) are a dedicated group of Lehigh international and domestic students who are committed to making sure your transition to our university is smooth and enjoyable. Your international orientation leaders can be an excellent resource and support system for you. We hope you will continue to reach out to your iOLs if you have any questions during your first-year experience and throughout your time at Lehigh.



Hey! I am **Sakshi Acharya**, a rising sophomore. I am from Kathmandu, Nepal. I am currently a College of Arts and Sciences student but I am transferring to the engineering school because I want to major in environmental engineering.

I enjoy hanging out with friends, meeting new people and exploring new places. My favorite experience at Lehigh so far has been getting involved and feeling like what I do has meaning.



My name is **Rani Baidoun**. I come from a faraway place called Palestine. I finished my high school studies in an international boarding school in New Mexico, USA. I am currently a sophomore studying chemical engineering here at Lehigh. In my free time, you can find me hanging out with

my friends, playing video games especially FIFA, eating, or playing football (soccer). I am very excited to meet all of you! Welcome to Lehigh.



My name is **Lidya Bekele**. I am a sophomore from Ethiopia, majoring in bioengineering and health, medicine and society. I enjoy sleeping and traveling. I am involved on campus with the Community Service Office, African Students' Association and F1RST. Fun

fact – I am a strong advocate for women's empowerment in Africa.



Hi everyone! My name is **Otavio Capps** but I usually go by Otto! I am originally from Brazil but I have been living in the United States for a while now. Here at Lehigh, I study finance and I have real estate and marketing as my minors. I

hope you are all excited to join the Lehigh community, I promise you will come to enjoy every second of your Lehigh experience! Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions, as I know exactly what it feels like to be in your position! I look forward to meeting you!



Hello! My name is **Iman Faris** and I am a rising sophomore. I am an Ethiopian-American from New York City. I am majoring in international relations and economics with a minor in French. I am currently a part of the Global Citizenship

Program, which allows students to examine the meaning of citizenship in today's global world. I encourage all to join! One of my favorite things about Lehigh is that there are many different support programs for all students. I am part of Passport for Success, a year-long mentorship program to help first-generation students get international experiences.



Hey!! My name is **Sam Gandhi** and I'm an international student from India. Although I am from India, I've actually spent the entirety of my life living in Bangkok, Thailand. I am a rising sophomore and currently in the business

school at Lehigh with an intention of double majoring in finance and business information systems.



My name is **Danit Hang**. I am from Cambodia. I also spent five years living in Singapore. I am a rising junior in chemical engineering, Class of 2021. In my free time, I enjoy playing jigsaw, collecting keychains, and watching movies.



My name is **Jel Kewcharoen**, and I am from Bangkok, Thailand. I am a rising sophomore, planning to major in computer engineering. I like to get myself involved and busy, so I try to join as many clubs and events as possible. I also like

to meet new people, and I can't wait to introduce you to our beautiful Lehigh campus and loving community!!



I'm **Nick Lorch**, a rising sophomore and international student from Brazil. I'm majoring in mechanical engineering and psychology through a dual degree. I enjoy playing volleyball, welding and video games. I like rock and metal music and a

cool fact about me is that I flew a Cessna 172 solo at 16 and am training to become a rated private pilot.



Hello everyone, my name is **Lourdes Valentina Patrick**, but you can call me Tina for short! I am a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences, and am majoring in biological sciences on a pre-med track, and minoring in health,

medicine and society. I am from Chennai, India. I'm very passionate about music and dance, and love to meet people from around our diverse world to learn about different cultures. Fun fact about me: I'm still 19 years old! I'm younger than most of my peers and juniors lol.



I am **Nathaly Rodriguez**, a member of the Class of 2022. I was born in the Dominican Republic but grew up in Philadelphia. I am currently an undecided major but my interests include learning about cultures and taking part in activism

work both on and off campus. At Lehigh I am involved with the Center for Gender Equity, Admissions Ambassadors, and the Latino Student Alliance. Feel free to chat with me about anything from your favorite foods to concerns you have about entering college to pressing global issues!



I am **Era Shuaipi**, a second year here at Lehigh majoring in bioengineering, with a minor in health, medicine, and society. I am Albanian and my hometown is Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I am a tour guide, a Camp Hawk Counselor, a note-

taker, and I have held a lot of volunteering positions here on campus. I am a member of the F1rst club, Passport to Success Program and I live in the first-generation themed community. I love drawing, painting, crafting, learning about different cultures and helping others and having silly dance breaks in my free time.



My name is **Anmol Shrestha** and I am a rising junior, majoring in computer science and engineering with a minor in physics. I am an international student from Nepal and I like hiking, learning about different cultures, and all kinds of

music. I love meeting new people from all over the world. A fun fact about me is that it's the year 2076 in my home country's calendar and the year 1139 in my ethnic group's calendar, so I live in all past, present, and future all at the same time.



My name is **Jorgo Tesfa**. I was born in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, where I lived until I headed for Lehigh. I am majoring in industrial and systems engineering and exploring potential minors. On campus, I am involved in African Students

Association, LU Diplomats, InterVarsity Fellowship and Global Union.



Hi, everyone! My name is **Emily Thampoe**, but at Lehigh everyone calls me Em. I will be a junior in the fall and am currently pursuing a double major in journalism and health, medicine, and society. I was born and raised in New

Jersey, about an hour away from Bethlehem but my parents are both from Sri Lanka. When I'm not in the classroom, you can find me singing in the University Choir or writing and editing articles for Lehigh's newspaper, The Brown and White. I'm really excited to meet you all and welcome you to our community! See you soon!



Hi Class of 2023! I am **Jenn Wang**, a rising sophomore studying in bioengineering. I lived in Beijing, China, for 14 years, and moved to Maine for high school. On campus, I am involved with the rowing team. Can't wait to get to know you guys in the fall!



My name is **Cindy Xu** and I am in the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science. I am currently a sophomore and on campus, I'm involved with SEAL, ACS, SASE and I work in the woodshop on Mountaintop. I was born in

China so I am fluent in Chinese Mandarin.



My name is **Mikhaila Zacharia**, and I am a second-year student majoring in mechanical engineering and finance. I was born in Knoxville, Tennessee, but currently live in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Outside of classes, I can

be found on stage dancing with the Leela Indian Fusion Dance team. I can also be found singing on an A Capella team known as The Lehigh Melismatics. Besides singing and dancing, I love mentorship. I serve as a P.C Rossin Junior Fellow leading events for prospective Lehigh engineering students. Last fall I was an Orientation Leader for the Class of 2022, and I am more than excited to be an International OL for the Class of 2023!

# Lehigh University Resources

As a student, you are part of a community here to support your success. There are many resources available on campus to help you inside the classroom and out. Here are a few of the most-used resources on campus.

#### **Office of International Students and Scholars**

Coxe Hall. Room 104 (610) 758-4859 Intnl@lehigh.edu

**Center for Academic Success** Williams Hall, Room 301 (610) 758-5181 intutor@lehigh.edu

**Center for Career and Professional Development** Maginnes Hall, Suite 500 (610) 758-3710 careercenter@lehigh.edu

**Center for Community Engagement** Williams Hall 31 (610) 758-1081 inengage@lehigh.edu

**Center for Dialogue, Ethics and Spirituality** 661 Taylor Street (610) 758-3877 incha@lehigh.edu

**Counseling and Psychological Services** Johnson Hall, Fourth Floor (610) 758-3880

**First-Year Experience** University Center, Room C112 fye@lehigh.edu

Health and Wellness Center Johnson Hall, Third Floor (610) 758-3870 inluhc@lehigh.edu

### Keep In Touch

International Center for Academic English (ICAPE)

Maginess Hall, 2nd Floor inicape@lehigh.edu (610) 758-6099

Lehigh Bookstore 1 Farrington Square (610) 758-3383

Lehigh University Police Department 321 East Packer Avenue (610) 758-4200 inlpd@lehigh.edu

Office of the Bursar Alumni Memorial Building, First Floor (610) 758-3160

**Office of Housing Services** 63 Rathbone Hall inhouse@lehigh.edu

**Office of Multicultural Affairs** University Center, C208 (610) 758-5973 inmca@lehigh.edu

Writing and Math Center 110 Drown Hall (610) 758-3098 incent@lehigh.edu

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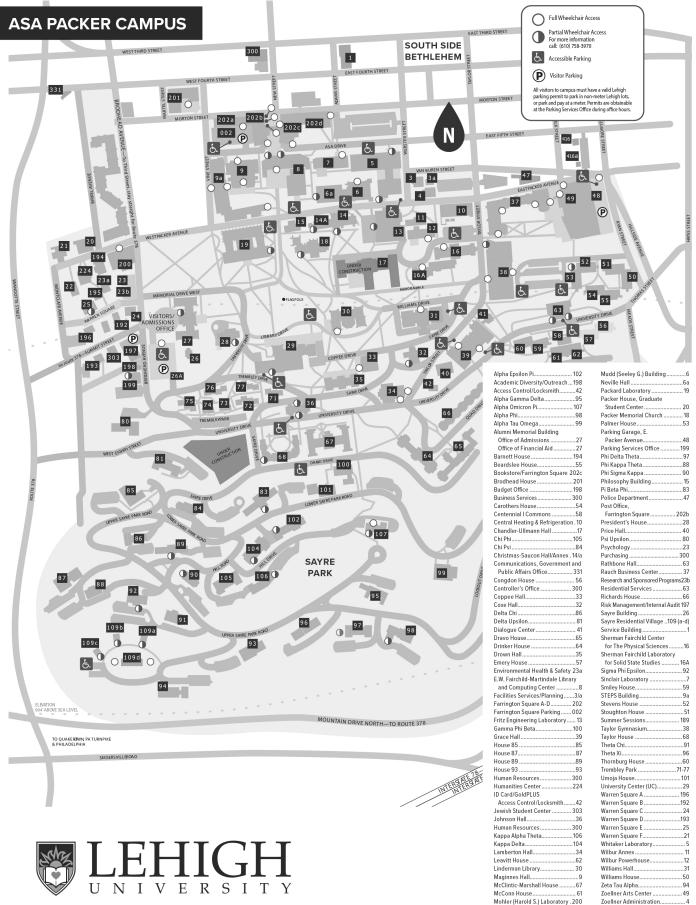
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