



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT Fall Orientation 2010

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

- 8:00 am **Registration & Breakfast** Meet your new classmates over coffee and pastries. Orientation materials will be distributed at the registration tables.
3rd Floor Loggia
- 8:45 am **Deans' Welcome**** Dean David Levi, Associate Dean for International Studies Judy Horowitz, and Assistant Dean for International Studies Jennifer Maher, welcome you to Duke Law School.
Law School Room 3037
- 9:00 am **Orientation Overview**** International Studies Administrative Director Suzanne Brown reviews the Orientation schedule and folder contents.
- 9:15 am **Introductions**** Be prepared to briefly introduce yourself to your classmates from around the world. Please include your name, the country you are from, and anything else you want us to know about you!
- 10:30 am **Break**
- 10:45 am **The LL.M. Degree**** Candidates for the LL.M. degree are expected to design an academic program that contains a significant number of courses that will introduce them to the American legal system, the legal profession, and various methods of legal education. Dean Maher summarizes the basic academic requirements and administrative rules governing the LL.M. degree.
- Bar Requirements**** Thinking about taking the NY or CA Bar Exam? Dean Maher discusses the types of courses necessary to fulfill the Bar requirements.
- 12:00 pm **Lunch**** Enjoy lunch with your international peers.
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- 1:30 pm **Introduction to Faculty & Curriculum Choices**** Professors Deborah DeMott, Jerome Reichman, Larry Helfer, Neil Vidmar, Bob Beason, Rene Ellis, Diane Dimond, and Jonathan Wiener will introduce their primary teaching areas and courses offered. This session will provide you with information that will be helpful in learning more about the curriculum.
Law School Room 3037

3:00 pm **Introduction to Career & Professional Development Center**** The Career Center collaborates with students to help acquire the tools and skills needed to take ownership of their career development. Associate Dean Bruce Elvin and Assistant Dean Jennifer Maher describe the office's counseling and programming.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

8:00 – 9:00 am **Breakfast** *3rd Floor Loggia*

9:00 (or 1:00 pm) **Visa Services Registration, Part I**** Immigration regulations require that all F and J visa holders register with their host institution. Drop off your visa document (I-20 or DS-2019), passport, and I-94 card to Suzanne Brown in Room 3037 at **9:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.** If your dependents have joined you at Duke, please include their documents as well. Duke's Visa Services office will process and return your visa information during their Thursday morning session at 10:30 a.m. If you hold some other non-immigrant visa status, you also must register and provide your current immigration documents. Lawful permanent residents must also present their "green card" for verification at this time. (**NOTE:** if you have already registered with the Visa Services office or hold U.S. citizenship, you do not need to drop-off your documents or attend the Thursday morning session).

Law School Room 3037

9:30 – 11:30 am **Computer Training #1**** Staff members from Academic Technologies will help you configure your laptop computer to the Law School network. You will need to sign up in advance for one of the three identical computer training sessions.

12:00 pm **Alumni Panel Lunch**** Enjoy lunch with your international peers and interact with a panel of Duke Law LL.M. alumni as they share their experiences and perspectives. This is a great opportunity to find out about classes, professors, bar exams, and other important issues. Please bring your own beverage.

1:00 pm **Visa Services Registration, Part I**** See information above at 9:00 am

1:00 pm **Exchange Student Meeting**** Deans Horowitz and Maher are the faculty advisors for all one and two-semester exchange students. All one-semester and two-semester exchange students (not pursuing the LL.M. degree) should plan on attending this curriculum advising meeting.

Law School Room 4042

1:30 – 3:30 pm **Computer Training #2**** Staff members from Academic Technologies will help you configure your laptop computer to the Law School network. You will need to sign up in advance for one of the three identical computer training sessions.

5:00 – 6:30 pm **LEAD Fellow Reception****
Gather with your JD and LL.M. classmates and LEAD Fellows for a casual reception to mark the end of the first day of orientation.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

- 8:30 – 9:00 am **Breakfast** *3rd Floor Loggia*
- 9:00 am **Introduction to Student Organizations**** Representatives from Alumni & Development, the Duke Bar Association, the International Law Society, and several Duke Journals will provide information on their organizations and LL.M. participation.
Law School Room 3037
- 9:30 am **Law School Facilities**** Building Manager Catherine Hall focuses on building features, safety, and on-campus parking.
- 10:00 am **Public Interest & Pro Bono Opportunities**** Every year, Duke Law students contribute their legal skills to public interest organizations. Assistant Dean for Public Interest and Pro Bono Kimberly Ann Bart and Director Kim Burrucker share how you can get involved with service opportunities that many students describe as a highlight of their education.
- 10:30 am **Introduction to the Library & Academic Technologies**** Representatives from the Law Library and Academic Technologies introduce you to the research and technical services available and provide tips for professional communication and effective in-class use of computers.
- 11:00 – 1:00 pm **Computer Training #3**** Staff members from Academic Technologies will help you configure your laptop computer to the Law School network. You will need to sign up in advance for one of the three identical computer training sessions.
- 5:15 – 7:15 pm **Duke Bar Association Barbecue**** Meet your JD student mentors and DBA representatives and enjoy some North Carolina barbecue.
Marcy's Garden (Duke Law Front Lawn)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

- 8:00 – 8:45 am **Breakfast** *3rd Floor Loggia*
- 9:00 – 10:30 am **International Student Course Registration**** Registrar John Spencer and Dean Jennifer Maher will review the rules, requirements and restrictions of registration. **You must bring your registration form (signed by your advisor) to this session.**
Law School Room 3037
- 10:30 - 12:00 pm **Visa Services Registration, Part II**** If you submitted your visa documents on Tuesday, this session is **required** for you to complete registration with the Visa Services office and retrieve your documents. Important information such as how **not** to violate your visa status or be stranded outside the U.S. if you travel abroad will be presented. Paperwork must also be completed for students receiving scholarships/tuition credits. A completed SEVIS registration form also will permit the Visa Services office to properly notify Immigration that you have reported to Duke on time.

12:00 – 1:00 pm **Community Service Kick-off and Bag Lunch** Thanks to the Duke Bar Association Community Service Board and the law firm of King & Spalding for supporting this signature service event.

Marcy's Garden

1:30 – 4:30 pm **13th Annual Dedicated to Durham**** Work with fellow students, faculty, and administrators to make a difference in your new community. Meet your Lead group in Marcy's Garden (see above)

Various Locations

7:00 – 9:00 pm **Alumni Trivia Night** Join the Alumni and Development staff and your JD classmates for a night of trivia (with prizes!), free pizza and soft drinks at this favorite local hangout.

Satisfaction Restaurant – Brightleaf Square

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

9:30 am **Computer Training (those without laptops)**** Staff members from Academic Technologies lead students through a computer training exercise to familiarize them with the Law School network and its capabilities. You will need to sign up in advance for this session.

Computer Carrels – 2nd Floor Law Library

10:00 – 11:00 am **Introduction to Student Affairs & the Honor Code**** The Office of Student Affairs can assist you in many aspects of your legal education. Meet Dean Jason Belk and the OSA staff and learn more about life at Duke both in and out of the classroom.

Law School Room 3043

11:00 – 12:00 am **“Distinctive Aspects of US Law”***** Welcome to your first Distinctive Aspects of US Law class! All remaining classes will be held at the scheduled meeting time from **11:00-12:15 beginning Friday, August 27.**

Law School Room 3043

1:00 – 4:00 pm **Faculty Fridays**
Join members of the faculty for fun excursions around Duke and Durham

Various Locations

5:00 – 6:30 pm **New Student Welcome Reception ****
Connect with the Law School Community by mingling with faculty and administrators over cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

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NOTE: Items marked with ** are those which you must attend.