International Student Orientation Schedule – Spring 2018  
(updated: December 7, 2017)  
Location: Ballroom in Student Union  
Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Activities on January 10 are mandatory.  
Activities on January 11 and 12 are very highly recommended.

8:30 – 9:30  Breakfast, sign in, mingle

9:30 – 9:40  Welcome  
*Speakers: Students and International Center Staff*

9:40 – 10:10  Immigration review (break out groups)  
*Speakers: Robyn Brown (J visas) and Emily Aronson (F visas) – International Center*  
*Additional break out group for students who are not Fs or Js*

10:10 – 10:40  “Get to know your group” Interactive activity #1

10:40 – 10:55  BREAK

10:55 – 11:25  Title 9  
*Speaker: Jolene Lane - Chief Diversity Officer, VP for Inclusion and Equity, & Title IX Coordinator*

11:25 – 12:40  Break out groups. Conversations with current students about:  
- Getting involved in campus & student life  
- On campus employment  
- Transportation, zip cards  
- Culture shock/homesickness

12:40 -1:30  LUNCH

1:30 – 2:00  Student panel “Culture in the Classroom”

2:00 - 2:45  Presidential Welcome and Photo  
*Speaker: Matthew J Wilson, President of The University of Akron*  
- Group Photo – all new international students and the President

2:45 – 3:00  BREAK

3:00 – 3:30  Student panel “Living in Akron”

3:30 – 4:45  *Guest Speakers*  
- Police and Safety, University of Akron, Police Department. *Speaker: Detective Jason Hill*
• Student Conduct & Community Standards. Speaker: Deborah Novak
• Health Center Services & Insurances. Speaker: Alma Olson
  (Note: a representative from the insurance company will be available at set
times during the day to answer your questions)
• Financial Literacy, PNC Bank. Speaker: Charity Conrad

4:45 – 5:15  “Get to know the entire group” Interactive activity #2

BREAK

6.00  OPTIONAL Pizza party at Akron Internationals: Location 135 Fir Hill

Also available on Weds, Jan 10. Time and location TBD.
  • Insurance (Pat Brenkle)
  • Undergraduate Advising (Paula McCarthy) (graduate students will contact their
departments directly to register for classes)

Thursday, January 11, 2018 – highly recommended

1 – 3 pm  Bierce Library, room 154.
  Meet the UA subject librarians and begin to explore the library!
  Subject librarians provide very valuable research consultation services for all students.
  They can help you identify sources, assist with database searches, and can help you
develop your own research skills. They are good people to know!
  Light snacks will be provided.

Friday, January 12, 2018 – highly recommended

1 – 3 pm  Student Union (Location TBD): Student Support & Involvement Fair
  Meet representatives from many different University offices and from student
organizations. Organized in collaboration with NSO (Orientation for new US Students)