

Fall 2025 Orientation Schedule (Tentative)

July 31, August 1, 4, 5 Thurs., Fri., Mon., Tues.	10 am – 12 pm	*Microlesson Preparation with linguistic tutor in STB Room 417
	3 pm – 5 pm	*Microlesson Preparation with linguistic tutor in STB Room 417
August 6, Wednesday	9 am – 12 pm	Chemistry Dept Orientation (schedule given separately) STB atrium and STB Room 417
	2 - 4 pm	Registration STB 220 (teaching assignments will be generated based on your class schedule)
August 7, Thursday	9:30 am – 11:30 pm	±TA Orientation Workshop B Online (Zoom) synchronous
	1 – 4 pm	±TA Orientation Workshop A In Person, Gambrell Hall Rm 153
August 8, Friday	9 am – 12 pm	Qualifying Exams STB Room 417
August 11, Monday	9 am – 5 pm	*International Teaching Assistant (ITA) Training Workshop Mandatory for all international students taking microlesson exam! Close-Hipp 002
ENFS Speaking and Writing proficiency testing deadlines are August 13, 2025		
August 12, Tuesday	9-12 am	Qualifying Exams STB Room 417
	1:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL GSRC 101
	4-5 pm	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
August 13, Wednesday	10:30 – 11:30 am	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
	1 – 2:10 pm	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
	2:30 - 4:30 pm	Junior Poster Competition – STB Atrium
August 14, Thursday	10:30 – 11:30 am	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
	1-4:30 pm OR	*ITA assessment/Microlesson presentations scheduled at the August 11 Workshop – Close-Hipp Bldg Rm TBD
August 15, Friday	9 am- 12 pm OR 1 pm – 4:30 pm	*Microlesson Presentations scheduled at the August 11 Workshop – Close-Hipp Bldg Rm TBD - Chemistry & Biochemistry students will be scheduled for either the morning <u>OR</u> afternoon session.
	4-5 pm	New Graduate Students Social Gathering sponsored by SACS
August 18, Monday	10:30 – 11:30 am	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
	1 – 2 pm	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Ethics Workshop (in person) - Mandatory attendance for ALL STB Room 417
August 19, Tuesday	All Day	First Day of Classes
	4:25-5:25 pm	Faculty Research Presentations - Mandatory Attendance for ALL
August 22, Friday	12 pm	Ice Cream Party (Horizon I Building 2 nd Floor)
	3 pm – 5 pm	Lab Safety & Hazardous Waste – STB Room 417 David Estey/Adam Roberge - Mandatory Attendance for ALL

*indicates INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLY

±Teaching Assistant Training: You must register for the TA workshop at the link found here at the [Graduate School](#) ASAP. You must attend both A and B training sessions on August 7. We have reserved a temporary spot for you, but you need to officially register for those sessions using your USC email. You will find instructions on how to obtain your USC email in your admissions letter from the Graduate School and in the Chem. Dept. Welcome Letter.