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Sunday, August 27, 2023 Welcome to Smith College! Arrival Day

NOTE: We purposely have a light schedule today, since travel plans vary greatly from student to student. If you arrive earlier in the day, feel free to settle in and unpack your belongings.

Our first "official" event will happen after dinner, at 7pm. Until then, we'll have a few informal activities happening in and around our Registration and Check-In location.

Attendance is required at all sessions marked with an asterisk (*).

12:00 – 8:00pm	*Registration and Check-In Wright Hall lobby Shuttles from Bradley International Airport, Hartford, CT and Boston Logan International Airport, Boston, MA to Smith College Enter building from Chapin Lawn (use 3 Nielson Drive, Northampton, MA for GPS navigation to parking).
12:15 – 1:30pm	Student Lunch Various locations (Cutter/Ziskind, King, Lamont, Tyler, Gillett, Dawes houses) Throughout the week, students can choose a dining facility for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that will suit their needs and desires. Menus are available on the Dining website: https://www.smith.edu/dining . Family members are encouraged to explore some of the local cuisine downtown.
2:00 – 6:00pm	Various Activities led by ISP Leaders Sign-up sheets and more information will be available at Registration.
4:00 – 4:45pm	Introductions & Group Games Wright Hall lobby & Lewis Center Venture out of your new room and join your international classmates in a few introductions and get-to-know-you games, for those who have arrived on-campus.
4:45 – 5:30pm	Group Discussion: Shopping, Logistics, & Questions Wright Hall lobby & Lewis Center Get prepared for the week! Talk through resources on-campus and off-campus, and think about what your shopping list might include (or not include!) for tomorrow's trip to the local mall.
5:30 – 7:00pm	Student Dinner Various locations (Cutter/Ziskind, King, Lamont, Tyler, Gillett, Dawes houses) Throughout the week, students can choose a dining facility for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that will suit their needs and desires. Menus are available on the Dining website: https://www.smith.edu/dining . Family

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Tag ISP using #SmithIsGlobal or #SmithISP2023

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7:00 - 8:00pm

Opening Performance: Bomba de Aquí Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall

Bomba de Aquí is a local dance and music company that performs and teaches Afro-Puerto Rican traditions in western Massachusetts and central Connecticut. They provide workshops at schools and other community venues. They educate the community about the history of Afro-Puerto Rican music, foster understanding of the richness of Puerto Rican arts, and encourage active participation in that heritage. Come celebrate the start of ISP with some music and fun!

8:30pm

*Welcome to Your House! House Living Rooms

You're not alone! Meet your Residence Life staff, Heads of New Students (HONS), as well as other students who have returned to campus early. Ask any questions you have regarding housing and living in Smith's diverse community! Report to your house's living room to gather with others in your house.

Monday, August 28, 2023 STUDENT SCHEDULE

7:30 - 8:45am Breakfast Various locations (Cutter/Ziskind, King, Lamont, Tyler, Gillett, Dawes houses) Throughout the week, students can choose a dining facility for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that will suit their needs and desires. Menus are available on the Dining website: https://www.smith.edu/dining. 9:00 - 10:00am *Program Overview & Welcome Session with Dean of the College Helen Hills Hills Chapel A joint session for families and students. Welcome remarks by Interim Dean of the College & Vice President for Campus Life Alexandra Keller. 10:00 - 10:45am *Orientation Group Introductions Various locations Get a chance to meet your orientation group, which represents a crosssection of ISPI 10:45am – 12:15pm *Scavenger Hunt! Start on Chapin Lawn Explore Smith's campus with your Orientation Group. Your group could even win a prize! 12:15 - 1:30pm **Lunch** Various locations Throughout the week, students can choose a dining facility for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that will suit their needs and desires. Menus are available on the Dining website: https://www.smith.edu/dining. 1:30 - 5:30pm Shopping trip to Holyoke Mall Holyoke Mall at Ingleside, Holyoke, MA Find all your housing needs at the local mall! Bring your shopping list. Bus sign-ups are located in Wright Hall lobby. Getting to the mall: 1:30pm Buses 1 & 2 depart from Smith, John M. Green Hall 2:15pm Bus 3 departs from Smith, John M. Green Hall Getting back from the mall: Bus 1 departs from Holyoke Mall 4:00pm 5:00pm Buses 2 & 3 depart from Holyoke Mall 5:30 - 7:00pm**Dinner** Various locations Throughout the week, students can choose a dining facility for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that will suit their needs and desires. Menus are available on the Dining website: https://www.smith.edu/dining. 7:15 - 9:15pm*Cultural Transitions - Part I: Culture & Self Paradise Room. Conference Center Work with ISSO staff to think through what "culture" is, and reflect on how you personally fit into different definitions or models.

Monday, August 28, 2023 FAMILY SCHEDULE

8:30 – 9:00am Parent/Family Registration Helen Hills Hills Chapel At registration, families/friends will receive name tags and a welcome bag. 9:00 – 10:00am Welcome to Smith! Helen Hills Hills Chapel A joint session for families and students. Refreshments & Informal conversation Alumnae House Living Room & 10:00 – 10:30am Terrace 10:45am-12:15pm Academic, Global Experiences & Career Resources Panel Alumnae House conference hall A panel discussion about the Smith student experience, moderated by Director of International Alumnae Relations and Development Jacqui DeFelice, featuring: • Associate Dean of the College/Dean of Students Julianne Ohotnicky • Dean of the First Year Class Jane Stangl Associate Dean for International Students & Scholars Caitlin Szymkowicz Associate Dean for International Study Lisa Johnson 12:00pm Free Time for Lunch Please enjoy one of our many Northampton area restaurants for lunch. 2:00 - 3:30pm **OPTIONAL TOURS** (Please see here for a campus map) 2:00 - 3:00 pm: Smith Botanic Garden Private Guided Tour 2:00 - 3:00 pm: Private Campus Tour with Lewis Global Studies Center guide 3:00 - 4:00 pm: Smith Museum of Art Private Tour, with Yao WU 吳瑤 - Jane Chace Carroll Curator of Asian Art Smith College Campus Bookstore The Smith College Bookstore is located on the corner of Green Street & West Street. Visit https://www.bkstr.com/smithstore/store-hours to check store hours, email smith@bkstr.com or call 1(413) 585 4140. 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. International Students, Families and Friends Reception with President

Sarah Willie-LeBreton Alumnae House

Sarah Willie-LeBreton.

An opportunity to get to know other international parents and meet staff/faculty from around campus. We are thrilled to be joined by Smith's new President,

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

TODAY YOU WILL NEED (Bring to breakfast):

Passport, Visa, Form I-20 (and \$25+ USD cash to open a bank account)

7:30 – 8:45am **Breakfast** *Various locations*

(Bring your passport, visa, and I-20!)

9:00am – 12:20pm *GROUPS 1 - 3: Registration Rotations

<u>9:00 – 10:00am</u> Group 1 – Smith is Global

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Register your documents with ISSO, and learn about Smith's global community. **Bring** your passport, visa, and I-20!

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Locate your I-94 Arrival Record, and complete other required paperwork in your Smith Workday account. *Bring your original passport, visa (no copies), and I-20! And know your Workday login info!*

*Health Services Schacht Health & Wellness Center, 21 Belmont Avenue

Visit the Health & Wellness Center; Blood test and/or vaccinations required for some students. Make sure to drink lots of water and eat breakfast!

9:00am – 12:15pm GROUPS 4 – 6: Choice Sessions – You choose what you'd like to do!

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Campus Tour by an ISP Leader, Meet at Wright Hall lobby

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Get to know your athletic facilities. Athletics staff will give a tour of the Olin Fitness Center and Dalton Pool, and introduce you to ways that you can utilize these resources.

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1:45 – 2:30pm *Immigration Workshop I: Documents & Maintaining Status Stoddard

Auditorium

Required for all students in F-1 visa status Please bring your passport, visa, and I-20.

2:30 – 3:00pm Money & Budgeting at Smith Stoddard Auditorium

Learn about resources at Smith and at the ISSO to help with managing your finances in college.

3:15 – 3:45pm **US Health Insurance 101** *Stoddard Auditorium*

Private health insurance in the US is confusing, even to those who have grown up here! This session will talk about how to navigate US healthcare systems, and how to better understand your Smith Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance.

3:45 – 4:30pm *Schacht Center for Health and Wellness, Counseling Services Stoddard

Auditorium

Meet staff from Counseling Services, and hear about resources for students.

4:45 – 5:30pm	*Student Financial Services (required if receiving Financial Aid) Stoddard Auditorium David Belanger, Director of Student Financial Services (SFS) Michael Ireland, Senior Associate Director of Outreach, Student Financial Services An overview of Financial Aid policies at Smith. Bring any questions you have regarding your aid package.
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Dinner Various locations
7:30 – 8:30pm	ISP Leader Academic Panel Stoddard Auditorium Learn more about academics at Smith from a panel discussion with your ISP leaders! Bring and ask any questions you have!
8:30 – 9:30pm	Introduction to International Orgs Stoddard Auditorium Come hear from returning international students about student organizations in which they take part! Learn about ways to get involved throughout the year.

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12:30 – 1:30pm Interdisciplinary Studies Diploma Students: Overview Lunch Meeting Lewis

Center Conference Room, Wright Hall

Lane Hall-Witt, Director of AMS Diploma Program

Participants in the Interdisciplinary Studies Diploma Program (ISDP) will gather to eat and discuss the program.

1:45 – 3:15pm *Race & Ethnicity in the US Stoddard Auditorium

Marjorie Valdivia, Action Planning Project Coordinator & Facilitator, Office of Equity & Inclusion

Javier Puente, Associate Professor of Latin American and Latino/a Studies & Lewis Center Faculty Liaison

Learn more about race constructions in the US, and how racial and ethnic diversity play a role in campus conversations and the national environment.

3:25 – 4:25pm *Cultural Transitions – Part II: Connections & Resilience Stoddard

Auditorium

We'll take the next step in navigating your arrival to Smith: making connections with your fellow ISP-ers and developing strategies for resilience.

4:40 – 5:30pm *Immigration Workshop II: Employment in the US Stoddard Auditorium

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5:30 – 7:00pm **Dinner** *Various locations*

7:30 – 10:00pm Karaoke Night & Ice Cream Social! Cutter-Ziskind dining room

Come enjoy an ice cream sundae (with all the toppings!) and join in a long-loved

ISP tradition – KARAOKE! No singing ability required, but enthusiasm

appreciated.

Thursday, August 31, 2023 Final ISP Day!

7:30 – 8:45am **Breakfast** *Various locations*

9:00 – 10:30am *Gender & Sexuality at Smith Stoddard Auditorium

Tobias Davis, Inclusion Education Trainer/Facilitator, Office for Equity & Inclusion Annie Del Busto Cohen, Leadership Development Designer, Wurtele Center for Leadership

Engage in a rich discussion to understand the role and dynamics around gender identity and sexual orientation at Smith College and beyond.

10:45am – 12:15pm*Writing at Smith Stoddard Auditorium

Jane Stangl, Dean of the First-Year Class & Lecturer in Exercise & Sports Studies

Miranda McCarvel, Multilingual Writing Specialist & Lecturer in English Language & Literature and Education & Child Study

Learn about Smith's system for academic advising, as well as about Smith's Honor Code, cultural approaches to writing, and how to access resources for writing across languages. This information is relevant as a native or non-native English speaker.

12:15 – 1:30 pm **Lunch** *Various locations*

1:45 – 3:15pm *Cultural Transitions – Step III: Reflection Writing Stoddard Auditorium

In the busy days to come, it's easy to jump right into the next program. We feel strongly that it's important to reflect on all that you've experienced this week.

3:30 – 4:30 pm *Meet & Greet Reception with International Faculty & Staff Seelye Lawn

Want to know more people who have been "in your shoes"? This will be a chance to meet and talk with international faculty and staff members at Smith, who have connections to other countries around the world. And there will be ice cream and

cold drinks!

5:00pm *ISP Group Photograph Steps of John M. Green Hall

We encourage you to wear traditional festive clothing, or your ISP t-shirt!

Please arrive promptly (or a few minutes early!).

6:00 – 7:00pm Final Dinner Various locations

7:00pm ISP Closing Ceremony & Talent Showcase! Stoddard Auditorium

We'll close out the program with a few thank yous and prizes. Then we'll turn it over to you – strut your stuff! Dance, sing, read a poem, show us something about home. Let's celebrate your experience at ISP! Sign up at Wright Hall, or

join in at the last minute!

Friday, September 1, 2023 All-student orientation begins

7:30 - 8:45am

Breakfast Various locations

8:00 – 11:00am

*Central Check-in Indoor Track and Tennis Facility (ITT)

All new undergraduate students are welcome at Central Check-In. You've already completed your necessary steps during ISP, but here you will receive vital information about course registration and have the opportunity to connect with various campus departments and services. Transfer Students and Ada Comstock Scholars are highly encouraged to stop by their applicable table at Central Check-In for specific information about their entry into Smith.

8:00am - 1:00pm

*ISP Online Evaluation TBD by your leader

Make plans as a group to find 15 minutes to meet up. Tell us what we've done well and how to make ISP even better next year. Maybe you can walk to Central Check-In or one of the other day's activities together!

8:30am – 12:30pm Social Security Administration appointments Lewis Center conference room, Wright Hall

> If you have a campus job, you will need to apply as soon as possible for a Social Security Number in the US. ISSO will host staff from the Social Security Administration here on campus to make the process easier.

Please complete the online application for your social security number at: https://www.ssa.gov/ssnumber/. Then bring your original passport, entry visa, and I-20/DS-2019.



**You must have a job in order to apply for a Social Security Number. Signing up for a dining job satisfies this requirement!

Sign up in Wright Hall lobby for an appointment slot, and please be punctual!

- ♦ Sign-ups will close at 12:00pm on Thursday. Last minute signups will be accommodated as possible.
- ♦ If you have a job on campus outside of dining services, please drop off or email your Employment Evidence Form (www.smith.edu/aboutsmith/isso/current/ssn-id) to interstu@smith.edu by Thursday at 12pm.

11:30am - 12:30pm Lunch for New Students and Families Various locations

12:45pm

*President's Welcome Assembly John M. Greene Hall (JMG)

All entering students and their families are invited to the president's first community address of the academic year.

1:45 - 2:45pm

Welcome Reception Chapin Lawn

New students and their families are invited to an informal mixer to meet members of the faculty, administration, returning students and one another. Light refreshments will be served until 2:45 p.m., when you will want to start heading to your separate sessions.

MY NOTES

Emergency Contact List



Global Studies Center:

Lewis Global Studies Center

<u>global@smith.edu</u> (413)585-7598

International Students & Scholars Office

interstu@smith.edu (413)585-4905

Caitlin Szymkowicz, Associate Dean for International Students & Scholars

cszymkowicz@smith.edu (413)585-4944

Claire Seely, International Students & Scholars Advisor

cseely@smith.edu (413)585-4905

Others:

Campus Safety:

campussafety@smith.edu (413)585-2490

*If you need immediate medical assistance, call 911 for an ambulance. In the case of an emergency, dial "5555" from a campus phone or (413)585-5555.

Health Services:

Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 9:00am - 4:30pm

Medical Services:

To make an appointment & general information:

healthservices@smith.edu (413)585-2250

Nurses' station: (413)585-2813

Nurses' status after hours: (413)585-1260

Counseling Services:

To make an appointment or to talk to a counselor after hours:

counselingservices@smith.edu (413)585-2840

Questions specific to COVID:

testingandtracing@smith.edu

Residence Life:

reslife@smith.edu (413)585-4940

Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Session locations on Google Maps

Smith Campus Full Map (Smith Website)	Wright Hall: Lewis Center	Helen Hills Hills Chapel
Schacht Center	Seelye 212	Stoddard Auditorium
Conference Center	Chapin Lawn	John M.Greene Hall(JMG)
Cutter/Ziskind House	Indoor Track & Tennis (ITT)	Campus Center
Dawes House	Lamont House	King House
Gillet House	Tyler House	College Bookstore

Wi-Fi Information

Network: Connect2Smith
Password: sophiasmith

Instructions to set up EduRoam: https://www.smith.edu/its/tara/networking/eduroam-c2s.html or visit the IT Center in Stoddard Hall 203 for help.