



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
AMERICAN SEMESTER PROGRAM & EXCHANGES

Spring 2020 Orientation Schedule
January 3, 2020

Thursday, January 2

Starting at 12:00 pm	Arrivals and residence hall move-in	MSU campus
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner Dining halls that are open before the start of the semester: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Vista at Shaw Hall Dining hours (prior to semester start): Breakfast: 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM Lunch: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Dinner: 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Students moving into an on-campus residence hall who also signed up for a dining plan for spring 2020, should receive a white conference card to cover meals until the dining plan starts. Spring 2020 dining plans will begin with dinner on Sunday, January 5, 2020. MSU map (obtain a printed map in your residence hall): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://maps.msu.edu/• If you look this website up on your smart phone, you will find a mobile friendly map! NOTE: If you do not arrive on time for the dinner on campus, please be sure to obtain a map in your residence hall (or use the mobile friendly map listed above) to find your way to Grand River Avenue for alternate food options.	On your own

Friday, January 3 – Participation is Mandatory!

Important documents to bring!	Be sure to come prepared with your: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Passport• MSU Student ID Number (PID)• Visa paperwork (form DS-2019 or form I-20)	
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Welcome Meeting and Breakfast (MANDATORY) We will go over the schedule and any initial questions you may have.	International Center Rm 303
8:30 am – 9:00 am	MSU ID cards (MANDATORY) You will need: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Your passport• Your MSU Student ID number (PID)	1st floor International Center
9:10 am – 10:00 am	Academic Resources Presentation (MANDATORY)	International Center Rm 303
10:00 am to 11:00 am	Immigration Basics J-1 ONLY (MANDATORY)	International Center Rm 303
10:30 am to 11:00 am	Immigration Basics Presentation F-1 ONLY (MANDATORY)	International Center Rm 302

11: 00 am	Mandatory Immigration Check-In (MANDATORY) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please bring your: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passports Form DS-2019 or I-20 Your physical address on campus 	International Center Rm 303
12:00 pm to 12:30 pm	Lunch	International Center Rm 303
12:45 pm to 1:00 pm	Course enrollment questions? How to contact advisers for guidance. >>> Only students with questions need to get in touch with the advisers for the respective courses <<<	
1:00 pm to 2:15 pm	ASP&E MSU Overview part 1 Exploration of campus and off-campus resources.	International Center Rm 303
2:30 pm	Welcome and Announcements (MANDATORY)	International Center Rm 115
2:45 pm	Life in The U.S. (MANDATORY)	International Center Rm 115
3:25 pm	Health Care and Health Insurance (MANDATORY)	International Center Rm 115
4:15 pm to 4:45 pm	ASP&E MSU Overview part 2 (MANDATORY) We will go over Laws in the U.S., travel and cultural events organized by the ASP&E Office.	International Center Rm 303

Saturday, January 4

On your own	Free time to get to know the area and settle into your room in the residence hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meijer (supermarket that offers a wide selection of products including food, clothing, household necessities, personal care products etc) Meridian Mall (http://www.meridianmall.com/directory) Frاندor Shopping Center (http://www.shopfrاندor.com/Stores) Please see the applicable hand-out in your white orientation folder. See the ASP & E team for hand-outs on how to get to these places! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Of course, you can also use the morning to just relax, catch some sleep or check out on campus facilities (like the gym or the library – check hours for these places) though). Make yourself comfortable as you prepare for the start of classes on Monday! 	See the ASP & E team for hand-outs on how to get to Meijer, the Meridian Mall or the Frاندor Shopping Center
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Sunday, January 5

	Settle in and prepare for the first day of classes!! You will want to explore campus a bit more and find locations for classes you have on your schedule for tomorrow.	
11:00 am	Optional Campus Tours with Student Ambassadors	Meet in the International Center Lobby

Monday, January 6

Classes Start!

Follow Your Course Schedule 😊

Add-Drop Period

Important Note: The add-drop period runs for the first week of courses only!

Please do not delay! **Be sure to ask for course approvals early to allow time for approval and processing!**

>> If you are planning to change your schedule, please contact the ASP & Exchanges office as early as possible so that there is enough time to communicate with advisers in the colleges.

Classes cannot be added after the first week of classes has concluded. <<

12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
(or by appointment)

Walk-In Hours (Optional - for students who have questions)

Including:

Health Insurance Waiver Questions

For Health Insurance Waiver Questions please bring:

- Your laptop
- Your Health Insurance letter and documents related to your health insurance coverage
- Your health insurance waiver questions

Please note: The ASP and Exchanges office does not process health Insurance Waiver requests. In some instances, students may need to work directly with the HR Solutions Center at MSU for additional help.

International Center

Room 108 – Doreen Sheridan (speak with a peer adviser to let them know you want to meet with Doreen)

Tuesday, January 7

12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
(or by appointment)

Walk-In Hours (Optional - for students who have questions)

International Center

Room 108 – Doreen Sheridan (speak with a peer adviser to let them know you want to meet with Doreen)

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Wednesday, January 8

12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
(or by appointment)

Walk-In Hours (Optional - for students who have questions)

International Center

Room 108 – Doreen Sheridan (speak with a peer adviser to let them know you want to meet with Doreen)

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All courses you wish to add need to be approved by 12:00pm on Friday, January 10. Students must meet prerequisites, seats must be available in the desired classes and, of course, the classes must be offered for spring 2020.