

2023 Student Orientation Timeline



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Welcome Week Events

Summer Webinar Series

Get acquainted with your campus resources this summer! Join staff from the departments listed below for Wednesday Webinars in June & July from 7:00–8:30 PM EST via Zoom.

These webinars will be recorded and posted to the [Next Steps](#) page on the Welcome website for all incoming undergraduate students to view.

6.14

WEDNESDAY

[ON ZOOM!](#)

Get Involved with Residence Life, Center for Student Involvement, & Intercultural Student Engagement

Learn more about getting involved on the RISD campus, locally within Providence, and finding your community through shared identities, hobbies, and passions. Each department will discuss the kinds of events, programs, and areas that you can connect and engage socially.

6.21

WEDNESDAY

[ON ZOOM!](#)

Get Paid with Student Employment, Student Financial Services, and ISSA

Find out more about on-campus employment as both a domestic and international student, and the kind of support that financial services can provide you with while you're here!

6.28

WEDNESDAY

[ON ZOOM!](#)

Get Around with Public Safety, Dining, Card Services, Food Pantry, RISD store, Mailroom

There's a lot of new things to navigate when you go to college! These teams are here to support many of your basic needs when you arrive on campus whether it's eating a good meal, picking up your packages, or getting the supplies you need for a last-minute project!

7.12

WEDNESDAY

[ON ZOOM!](#)

Get Ahead with Extrademics

Every student manages their classes and studio differently! The Extrademics team is here to support, expand, and enrich your time at RISD through advocacy, tutoring, research, grant writing, and career preparation. With 15 departments in total, this team can support your academics holistically.

7.19

THURSDAY

[ON ZOOM!](#)

Get Support with Health Education & Prevention, Health Services, Counseling and Psychological Services, Disability Student Services, Care Team

Your mental health and well-being matter! Join us to learn about the ways in which you can connect with the resources available to you on campus to support your access needs, mental and emotional well-being, and health education.

7.26

WEDNESDAY

[ON ZOOM!](#)

Get Informed with Equity & Compliance (students only)

Connect with the Equity & Compliance team to learn about how they help to create a learning, living, and working environment free from discrimination. This webinar is meant for students only and the Q&A portion will be anonymous and will not be recorded.

New International Student Orientation

All programs mandatory!

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[Upper Quad](#) 30 Waterman St.
Providence, RI 02903

[The Metcalf
Refectory
\(The Met\)](#) 30 Waterman St.
Providence, RI 02903

[Metcalf
Auditorium](#) 20 N Main St,
Providence, RI 02903

[RISD Auditorium](#) 17 Canal Walk,
Providence, RI 02903

8.31
THURSDAY

International Student Move-In

[The Met](#)
(The Metcalf Refectory)

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM

- Breakfast available

[Upper Quad](#)

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

- Move-in / Orientation check-in beginning at 8:00 AM

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

- International Student & Scholar Affairs (ISSA) check-in
- Banks & phones
- Yard Sale

[The Met](#)

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

- Lunch available

[Depart from
55 Angell St.](#)

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

- Shopping shuttles available at 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00 PM

[The Met](#)

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

- Dinner available

[Upper Quad](#)

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

- Providence hidden gems scavenger hunt

9.01

FRIDAY

International Student Orientation (Day 1)The Met**7:00 AM - 9:00 AM**

- Breakfast available

Upper Quad**9:00 AM - 10:00 AM**

- Group time with Orientation Leaders (OLs)

Metcalf Auditorium**10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

- Center for Arts & Language & Academic Support

Metcalf Auditorium**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

- Group Activity & ISSA Higher Ed Session and Structure

The Met**12:00 PM - 1:30 PM**

- Lunch available

Metcalf Auditorium**1:30 PM - 2:30 PM**

- Exploring U.S. Culture in the Classroom

Various locations

2:30 PM - 5:00 PM

- Group time with Orientation Leaders (OLs)
- RISD Store Supply Shopping
- Walking tours of Providence with your OL

The Met**5:00 PM - 6:30 PM**

- Dinner available

Tap Room
(Memorial Hall 4th floor)**6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**

- Silent Disco

9.02

SATURDAY

***International Student
Orientation (Day 2)***The Met**8:00 AM - 10:00 AM**

- Breakfast available

Metcalf
Auditorium**10:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

- Your F-1 Journey, What It Means to Be an International Student

Metcalf
Auditorium**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

- Navigating U.S. Systems

The Met**12:30 PM - 2:00 PM**

- Brunch available

Depart from
55 Angell St.**2:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

- Shopping shuttles available 2:00, 3:00, 4:00 PM

Upper Quad
& Nickerson
Green**5:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

- Lawn games and chill

The Met**6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

- Dinner available

New Student Orientation

Including all new, transfer, and international students.

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9.03

SUNDAY

Move-In / New Student Orientation (Day 1)

[The Met & Upper Quad](#)

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

- Breakfast and lunch available
- Move-in / Orientation check-in

[Upper Quad & Met B](#)

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

- RISD Resource Fair
- Banks & phones

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

- Break

[First Baptist Church](#)

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

- Welcome & President's Address

[First Baptist Lawn](#)

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

- Family Send-Off

(rain location: 20 Washington Place lobby)

[First Baptist Lawn](#)

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

- Group time with Orientation Leaders (OLs)

[The Met](#)

5:00 PM - 6:45 PM

- Dinner available

[RISD Auditorium](#)

7:00 PM - 8:15 PM

- First-Year Building meetings (30 mins) with Assessment

[Residence Halls](#)

8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

- Residence Hall Floor meetings

9.04**MONDAY*****New Student
Orientation (Day 2)***The Met**8:00 AM - 9:00 AM**

- Breakfast available

Various
Locations**9:00 - 11:30 AM**

- Campus tours with your OLs

The Met**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

- Lunch available

RISD
Auditorium**1:00 PM - 2:30 PM**

- Equity, Compliance, and Counselling and Psychological Services

RISD
Auditorium**2:30 PM - 4:30 PM**

- Building the Capacity for Greater Inclusion with Jamie Washington

Market Square**4:30 PM - 6:00 PM**

- Supply Palooza

The Met**6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

- Dinner available

Upper Quad
& Nickerson
Green**7:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

- Wellness Carnival

***RESOURCES:**RISD Store
10am–6pm

9.05
TUESDAY

Academic Convocation (Day 3)

The Met

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

- Breakfast available

Various
locations

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

- Group time with Orientation Leaders (OLs)

RISD
Auditorium

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

- Fall Convocation

RISD
Auditorium

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

- Your 1st Year: EFS & Liberal Arts presentations

Lunch Pickup:
Market Square

12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

- Advisor Lunch, various meeting locations

RISD
Auditorium

3:00 - 4:00 PM

- The Culture of Consent workshop with SHIP

Market Square
& Moore
Terrace

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

- Extrademics Fair

The Met

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

- Dinner available

RISD
Auditorium

6:30 PM - 7:45 PM

- Student Panel

RISD
Auditorium &
Market Square

7:45 PM - 9:00 PM

- End of Orientation Celebration

Welcome Week Events

For all new and returning RISD students.

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9.06 *First Day of Classes*

WEDNESDAY

Various
Locations

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

- Donuts and coffee
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9.07 *Evening Program*

THURSDAY

RISD Museum

8:30 PM - 10:30 PM

- Night at the Museum
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9.08 *Residence Life Area Welcome*

FRIDAY

Farnum Park

6:00 PM

- Hill Houses

15 West Lobby

- 15 West

Nickerson
Green

8:00 PM

- First-Year Area
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9.09 *Afternoon Block Party*

SATURDAY

Upper Quad

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Block Party

(rain location: 20 Washington Place lobby)