Neuroscience Graduate Program
2017 Orientation Schedule
REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

***INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SHOULD ALSO REFER TO THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & SCHOLARS ORIENTATION SCHEDULE FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND ACTIVITIES***

Week of August 14 – August 18

If not already completed, during Orientation Week all students should:

1. Register for a Net-ID & ISU email, via the ITS website http://www.it.iastate.edu/howtos/register_net-id or Solutions Center 192 Parks Library
2. Obtain your AccessPlus password. To do so, call ISU IT Services at (515) 294-4000, option 1, and ask for a temporary password
3. Obtain an ISU ID card, 0530 Beardshear Hall
   *Note: You need to know your ISU ID # and must have a picture ID
4. Students receiving an ISU Graduate Assistantship
   Sign up for payroll, 3810 Beardshear Hall
   *Note: International students will complete I-9 paperwork for purposes of employment eligibility with assistance from the International Students & Scholars Office during check-in & ISSO orientation activities
5. Complete Lab Safety Training
   Set-up a login for Environmental Health and Safety for Lab Training on-line. This can be taken before you arrive or by the end of the first week or classes. It takes a minimum of 1-2 business days to create your account. After you receive your login information you will (1) log into the learning management system, (2) click on the Course Catalog under My Menu, (3) scroll through the alphabetized ONLINE Course Catalog, and (4) Click the Launch link next to the desired course.
   Required Lab Safety Courses:
   – Laboratory Safety: Core Concepts
   – Fire Safety and Extinguisher Training
   – NIH Guidelines
   – Biological Risk Assessment for Researchers (about 30 minutes)
   *Note: Do not use Internet Explorer as your browser. Everything else should be okay.
   *Frequently asked questions about the EH&S safety training (accompanying document)
6. Register for classes via AccessPlus. You will have the opportunity to review your registration with your temporary advisor during orientation. Classes may be added and dropped through the first week of classes.
7. Health Insurance Enrollment – Students receiving an ISU graduate assistantship receive single paid health insurance, dental insurance is optional. The cost of dental insurance is partially covered by the University and partially paid for by the student. The cost of dental insurance and health premiums for family can be found here.
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8. If you have not yet sent an official transcript from your educational institution(s), do so after your degree is awarded.  
   Graduate Admissions, 100 Enrollment Services, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011-2011, USA

9. Provide Immunization Records to Thielen Student Health Center

### Monday, August 14

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| 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM | **All IMBIO, MCDB, & NEURO Students:**  
Stop by to check-in with Katie  
Pick up your welcome packet, have your program photo taken, & confirm payroll sign-up  
2018 Molecular Biology Building  
For those working off campus and not entering via research rotations, you are welcome to pick up your packet at Wednesday’s lunch with current student or Thursday’s orientation activities. |

### Wednesday, August 16

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| 12:00 – 1:00 PM | **Lunch with Current Grad Students**  
4034 Molecular Biology Building (4th floor conference room)  
For those who register for the optional Wednesday activities, please plan to attend this lunch with Neuroscience students. |

### Thursday, August 17

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| 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM | **All IMBIO, MCDB, & NEURO Students:**  
Meet with Katie for a review of the program handbook, ISU policies & procedures, getting started as a graduate student, lab rotations, progressing through your degree. Questions will be answered throughout this session.  
2034 Molecular Biology Building (2nd floor conference room) |
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| 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM | **Lunch with Program Chair, Dr. Heather Greenlee**  
4034 Molecular Biology Building (4th floor conference room) |

**Friday, August 19**

**Friday’s activities are only required for those receiving a graduate assistantship & completing research rotations**

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| 8:30 – 9:00 AM   | Continental breakfast with new interdepartmental graduate students  
Welcome from [GPSS](http://www.gpss.iastate.edu) President, Vivek Lawana  
1102 Molecular Biology Building (1st floor conference room) |
| 9:00 AM          | Thinking like a Graduate Student--Leaving the Undergraduate Life Behind  
Tom Peterson – GDCB Department  
1420 Molecular Biology Building |
| 9:45 AM – 12:00 PM | Faculty Research Presentations. 1420, 1424, 1428, 2034, 3034 & 4034  
Molecular Biology Building.  
**See Supplemental Schedule** |
| 12:00 – 2:00 PM  | Interdepartmental Luncheon & Informal Poster Session  
Molecular Biology Building, Atrium |
| 2:00 – 4:00 PM   | Faculty Research Presentations. 1420, 1424, 1428, 2034, 3034 & 4034  
Molecular Biology Building.  
**See Supplemental Schedule** |

All of the activities detailed in this schedule are required and attendance is expected. If you have any question or concerns, please contact Katie Blair.

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