

Welcome to Old Dominion University!

New International Students – Schedule and Information

****Graduate Students (Master & Doctoral)****

Visa & Immigration Service Advising (VISA)

Office Check-In

2006 Dragas Hall, Second Floor

Monday, August 8 - Tuesday, September 6

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

New international students must check-in with the VISA Office. More info at <https://odu.edu/visa/check-in>

New International Student Orientation

Online - Beginning Monday, August 15

Online Self-paced: [Welcome to the Monarch Nation!](#)

Link will be on Center for Global Engagement (CGE)

Home pages and FAQ Resource Page.

New Graduate Student Orientation

Online - Beginning Monday, August 15

The New Graduate Student Orientation is designed to give you an overview of university services as well as policies and procedures in relation to your graduate education. The orientation modules are now available online: <https://odu.edu/graduateschool/orientation>

Monarch English Transition (MET) Program

Advising – By Appointment

MET students should request advising appointment via e-mail to Ann Kumm - AKUMM@odu.edu. Required for course registration.

ODU Institutional TOEFL Exam

1108 Dragas Hall, First Floor

Monday, August 22 at 11:00 A.M.

For students who need to submit English proficiency scores. Register [online](#) BEFORE Thursday, August 18.

E-mail ELC@ODU.EDU for questions.

Welcome & Information Table - Dragas Hall, First Floor Lobby

Monday, August 22 – Friday, August 26

International Admissions will be available in Dragas room 2000, 2101, or 2102 to submit your official documents and assist with additional questions you may have.

Welcome Reception & Service Fair for Graduate & International Students

Webb University Center – North Café, First Floor

Monday, August 22

3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Join the Graduate School and the Center for Global Engagement at a welcome reception.

RSVP link: <https://bit.ly/2022WelcomeReception>

SPEAK Test for Teaching Assistants

Beginning Monday, August 22

New graduate international students who have a teaching assistantship must complete the SPEAK test. Graduate Program Directors (GPD) / Departments are contacted 30 days prior to the SPEAK test via e-mail with instructions on how to register/nominate prospective international graduate teaching assistants (IGTAs) for the SPEAK test. **Contact your GPD/department to confirm.**

Graduate Teaching Assistantship Institute (GTAI)

Thursday, August 25 & Friday, August 26

This is a required event for all graduate students who will be working as graduate teaching assistants or graduate teaching assistant instructors. Pre-registration is required by your department. Registered students will receive an invitation via email to attend.

Day 1: The training is virtual. A link will be provided in the email invitation.

Day 2: Day 2 is presentation day, and it will be in person this semester. Information regarding presentation requirements is provided in the invitation letter. Students must successfully complete Day 1 to participate in Day 2.

Fall 2022 Courses Begin

Saturday, August 27

Most students will begin on Monday, August 29.

Add/Drop Deadline

Tuesday, September 6

LAST DAY to add/drop courses. See your academic advisor for assistance.

Unity Block Party with the Office of Intercultural Relations (OIR) & Campus Community

Kaufman Mall

Tuesday, September 13

5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

“Reign” in the new semester at the Unity Block Party! Come enjoy food, activities, giveaways, and connect with the Monarch Neighborhood!



*****For any updates or changes, please refer to the QR code*****