Welcome to WEEK ONE!
We are very excited to finally welcome you in person.

Are you ready to embark on your new adventure?
Over the next few days, you’ll get to know the Clark community and what life at Clark is like. You’ll attend programs and activities to help you settle in and feel comfortable; hear about issues you may encounter during your college experience, and the resources available to help you address them; and begin your journey toward embracing intellectual life at Clark — both in and out of the classroom.

While you learn your way around, you’ll meet future classmates and friends, and discuss your academic and cocurricular interests with faculty, staff, and peers, and begin creating your Clark adventure.

You have chosen to attend an institution with a rich, vibrant history, where extraordinary students and scholars have illuminated the path to discovery, challenged convention, and truly changed the world. We encourage you to take advantage of the people and offerings that make Clark truly memorable — and choose your own adventure.
GET TO KNOW YOUR STUDENT WEEK ONE TEAM

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Schedule subject to change. All changes made will be communicated.

MONDAY, AUGUST 20

8 a.m.–1 p.m.
Tilton Hall
International Student Check-in
Bring your passport, visa, and I-20. You will get your residence hall room key, meet with RLH staff, ISSO staff, and peer advisers, and then move into your room.

8 a.m.–1 p.m.
Tilton Hall
Health Services Check-in
While at International Student check-in, you will meet with Health Services staff who will review your health information and schedule you for any needed vaccines.

1:30–3:30 p.m.
Campus Green
Check-in Meetings with ISO Mentors

4–5 p.m.
Rest & Relaxation; Issue Resolution
Free time! If you have issues to resolve, ISO mentors will walk you over to the Clark OneCard (ID), Student Accounts, or Financial Aid offices, or the ITS Help Desk.

5:15–7 p.m.
Tilton Hall
Welcome Dinner for International Students and Families
University administrators will welcome you and your family to the Clark community while you enjoy a delicious dinner.

7:30–9:30 p.m.
Higgins University Center, The Grind
Shopping Trips
Buses will leave from Maywood St. at 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. to go to Target at Blackstone Valley Shoppes.

9:30–11:30 p.m.
Higgins University Center, The Grind
Café Night
Mingle with fellow new students and peer advisers while enjoying snacks, music and games.

Programs in RED are required activities for all incoming students.

KEY

 Meals  ISO Group Meetings  Social Event
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21

8–9 a.m. Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
Breakfast Meeting with ISO Mentors

9 a.m.–5 p.m. Campus Green
Representatives from banks and cellphone companies on campus

9–10 a.m. Sackler Sciences Center, Room 120
Welcome for Students
You will be welcomed by ISSO staff and have the opportunity to meet the new and current students who will be sharing the experience of ISO 2018.

10–11 a.m. Sackler Sciences Center, Room 120
The Shifting Political Climate in the U.S.
Professor Mark Miller, Professor Michael Butler, and Patricia Doherty, Director of the International Students and Scholars Office, will talk about the current political climate in the U.S.

11–11:30 a.m. Campus Green
Meet with ISO Mentors

12 noon–1 p.m. Higgins University Center, Tilton Hall
Lunch

1–3 p.m.
Rest & Relaxation; Issue Resolution
Free time! If you have issues to resolve, ISO mentors will walk you over to the Clark OneCard (ID), Student Accounts, or Financial Aid offices, or the ITS Help Desk. Representatives from local banks or phone companies will be on the campus green.

3–4 p.m. Jefferson 218
Cultural Adjustment
Members of Clark’s International Student Association will talk about their experiences as a new student in the United States.

4–4:30 p.m. Campus Green
Meet with ISO Mentors

4:30–5:30 p.m. Jefferson 320
Title IX
Title IX is a U.S. law that ensures that no one can be excluded from participation or be subject to discrimination at any U.S. educational programs or activity on the basis of sex. Lynn Levey, Clark’s Title IX Coordinator and Assistant Dean of Wellness will lead this session.

6–7 p.m. Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
Dinner

7–9 p.m. Higgins University Center, Tilton Hall
Shopping Trips
Buses will leave from Maywood St. at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. to go to Walmart off of Route 146

9–11 p.m. Higgins University Center, Tilton Hall
Worcester Food Frenzy
Join ISA and your PA’s for a relaxed night where you can try some of the many different restaurants in the area.
Wednesday, August 22

8–9 a.m.
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
Breakfast Meeting with ISO Mentors

5–6 p.m.
Campus Green
Last Meeting with ISO Mentors

6–7 p.m.
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
Dinner

9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Campus Green
Representatives from banks and cellphone companies on campus

6–7 p.m.
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
Dinner

9–10:15 a.m.
Higgins University Center, Grace Conference Room, Lurie Conference Room
Academic Support/Classroom Expectations
Jennifer Plante, Director of the Writing Center, will share information about Clark's Writing Program and general information about plagiarism. Current students will talk about their experiences in the classroom and with faculty and will answer your questions.

7:15–8:15 p.m.
Campus Green
Field Games
Scope out the competition with some activities that will put your skills to the test.

10:15–11 a.m.
Campus Green

9–10:30 a.m.
Goddard Grove
Bonfire
Come mingle with fellow new students and ISO mentors, while enjoying s’mores and music.

11 a.m.–Noon
Grace Conference Room
Immigration Do’s and Don’ts
This session is for all students who are here on nonimmigrant visas.

11 a.m.–Noon
Lurie Conference Room
Welcome Home... NOT!
All U.S. citizens attending ISO should attend this session.

10–10:45 a.m.
Sackler Science Center, Room 120
Health and Wellness
Dr. Megan Kersting, Director of Counseling Services, will talk about health and wellness issues relevant to college students.

11 a.m.–Noon
Grace Conference Room

1–4 p.m.
Sackler Science Center, Room 120
Health Services
As necessary by appointment. Meet in Higgins University Center

1:15 p.m.
Worcester Art Museum Bus Trip
• Group One boards bus on Maywood St. at 1:15 p.m.
• Group Two boards bus on Maywood St. at 2:15 p.m.

1:45–2:15 p.m.
Sackler Science Center, Room 120
What do you mean I can’t...?
The U.S. has different laws than other countries. Some may surprise you!

2:30–3:30 p.m.
Sackler Science Center, Room 120
International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO)
Corner House, 2nd floor
508-793-7362
isso@clarku.edu

9-10:30 a.m.
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
Breakfast

9:30–10 a.m.
Sackler Science Center, Room 120
To Work or Not to Work
Find out which offices hire students and how you can better present yourself as a job candidate.

10–10:45 a.m.
Sackler Science Center, Room 120
Health and Wellness
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FOLLOW WEEK ONE SCHEDULE