



Fall 2025

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
Schedule and Agenda

Tuesday, August 19 – Thursday, August 21, 2025

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

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| 8:00 am | MPP CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
<i>(Gull's Way Patio, Drescher Graduate Campus)</i> |
| 9:00 am | WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
<i>(Villa Executive Dining Room)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CJ Jones, Senior Director of Student Services |
| 9:05 am | POLICY BOX <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pete N. Peterson, Dean |
| 9:55 am | BREAK |
| 10:05 am | CODE OF CONDUCT & ACADEMIC POLICY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sheryl Covey, Assistant Dean for Administration |
| 10:30 am | MEDIA ENGAGEMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lena Pacifici, Director of Marketing and Communications, Integrated Marketing Communications |
| 10:45 am | BREAK |
| 11:00 am | <u>GRADUATE LIBRARY RESOURCES</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Erik Helton, Drescher Graduate Campus Librarian |
| 11:25 am | <u>INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES</u> |

11:55 am

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES PANEL WITH Q & A

- Britney Summerville Brannan, Director of [Student Care Team](#) Case Management
- Dawn Emrich, Director of [Title IX](#) Case Management and Prevention Education
- Jeff Williams, Staff Therapist, [Counseling Center](#)
- Sandy Harrison, Executive Director, [Office of Student Accessibility](#)
- Michelle Cervantes, Accessibility Specialist, [Office of Student Accessibility](#)
- Sergio Gallardo, Program Specialist, [RISE](#) (Resilience-Informed Skills Education Program)
- Rebeca Roldan, Director, [Student Health Center](#)

12:30 pm

LUNCH (*Executive Dining Room/Patio*)

1:30 pm

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

- Kate Suriyatip, Senior Manager of Operations

1:45 pm

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES

- Mark Lauren, Fire Captain - Fire & Safety Preparedness, Department of Public Safety
- Jon Weber, Director of Emergency Services & Insurance and Risk

2:15 pm

ECONOMICS 101

- Dr. Luisa Blanco, Professor of Economics and Public Policy

2:25 pm

DAVENPORT INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND CIVIC LEADERSHIP

- Maureen Tobin, Executive Director

2:35 pm

REMINDERS FOR TOMORROW [DOMESTIC]

- CJ Jones, Senior Director of Student Services

2:40 pm

GROUP PHOTO

3:00 pm

MPP DOMESTIC STUDENTS DISMISSED

- *The sessions that follow are only for MPP I-20/F1 Visa Students*

3:05 pm

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

- Drew Andros, International Student Advisor, Office of International Student Services

3:20 pm

CULTURE AND ADJUSTMENT

- Sharon Wakio, Assistant Director of Intercultural Affairs for International Student Engagement

3:45 pm

REMINDERS FOR TOMORROW [INTERNATIONAL]

- CJ Jones, Senior Director of Student Services

3:50 pm

MPP INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS DISMISSED

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025

9:00 am

MPP CHECK-IN AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
(Executive Dining Room)

9:30 am

WELCOME & ICE BREAKERS

- MPP Ice Breakers: SPP Student Ambassadors

10:00 am

INTRODUCTION TO SPP STUDENT SERVICES

- CJ Jones, Senior Director of Student Services

10:55 am

BREAK

11:05 am

SPP STUDENT & ALUMNI PANEL DISCUSSION

- Sara Lindgran, MPP'01
- Christian Mayer, MPP'25
- Logan Lee, MPP'26 (expected)
- Rudy Torres, MPP'26 (expected)

11:45 am

WELCOME TO PEPPERDINE

- Jim Gash, President and Chief Executive Officer, Pepperdine University

12:00 pm

LUNCH *(Executive Dining Room)*

12:15 pm

STUDENT ORGANIZATION INTRODUCTIONS

- SPP Student Organization Leaders
 - Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP)
 - Alexander Hamilton Society (AHS)
 - Christianity and Public Policy (CPP)
 - Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL)
 - Conservatives of Public Policy (CoPP)
 - International City/County Management Association (ICMA)
 - John Quincy Adams Society (JQA)
 - Pepperdine Policy Review (PPR)
 - Women in Public Policy (WPP)

1:00 pm

REMINDERS FOR TOMORROW

(Reagan Library, MPP Students)

- CJ Jones, Senior Director of Student Services

1:05 pm

MPP STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIR *(Gull's Way Patio)*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2025

8:30 am

CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST *(Outside LC 159, Next to Parking Lot S)*

9:00 am

BOARD SHUTTLE FOR REAGAN LIBRARY

9:15 am

DEPART FOR REAGAN LIBRARY

10:15 am

ARRIVE AT REAGAN LIBRARY *(Main Gate by Fountain)*

- Please note: bring all personal items from the shuttle

10:30 am

THE SITUATION ROOM EXPERIENCE

1:00 pm

LUNCH *(Air Force One Pavilion)*

2:00 pm

REAGAN LIBRARY

- Free time to explore the museum

3:00 pm

GROUP PHOTO *(Berlin Wall, Outside)*



3:15 pm

BOARD SHUTTLE FOR PEPPERDINE *(Side Gate)*

3:30 pm

DEPART FOR PEPPERDINE

4:30 pm

ARRIVE AT PEPPERDINE

- Please note: bring all personal items from the shuttle

NSO CONCLUDES!

Welcome **#WaveMakers**