

Incoming Graduate Student Information: Fall 2019

ARRIVAL DATES	
August 15	Recommended arrival for international students. International students with TA funding or who hope to be TAs must arrive before Aug. 19 for Speak test.
August 19	Speak test. International students with TA funding or who hope to be TAs must be here for the speak test at 9:00 a.m. unless exempt (minimum speaking score 26 on TOEFL)
August 21	TA training begins. This three-day training is mandatory for all funded TAs and those hoping to be TAs. Training is scheduled for Aug. 21-23, all day each day. International students who attend TA training should plan to attend the ISS orientation on Aug. 26 at 3:00 p.m.
August 26	Department orientation at 8:30 a.m, followed by lunch with the faculty. Unfunded students who do not plan to attend TA training can arrive by Aug. 25 on time for the orientation. All other incoming students have earlier required arrival dates.

ONE VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please do not forget to update your email address in MyUW if it changes over the summer. All communication from the Department of Computer Sciences will be via email. Once you have a wisc.edu email account, you should check it regularly to ensure you do not miss important messages!

REGISTRATION

You can expect to receive an email from UW Registrar Enrollment Services in June with an invitation to enroll and instructions for registration. You will be able to register (enroll for classes) starting on June 24. We recommend that you register for courses online this summer. If necessary, you can make changes to your course selection after you arrive.

ORIENTATION INFORMATION

All students should plan to be at the Computer Sciences building on Monday morning, August 26, for a department orientation followed by lunch with faculty. Advising and other activities will be scheduled throughout the week of August 25 – August 31. Fall 2019 classes begin on Wednesday, September 4.

UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES

All incoming students are required to fill out an online UHS Immunization and Health History Form. You can access the required form via the [University Health Services website](#). Please note: if you have guaranteed support, you are eligible for health insurance coverage through the university and will not need SHIP insurance.

USEFUL WEBSITES

[Graduate School New Student Checklist](#)

This site provides a helpful checklist of things you need to do once you have arrived at UW-Madison in the fall.

[Campus and Visitor Relations](#) (general campus information)

This site is the gateway for information about the UW, campus activities, procedures, departments, locations, directions and Madison-area information.

[Student Association of Computing Machinery \(SACM\) Transition Information](#)

Be sure to check out this site for a compilation of useful information for new graduate students, written by computer science graduate students who were once in your shoes. It includes a transition checklist and information on temporary housing with current students while you are locating housing of your own. Don't miss this website!

[Campus Area Housing Listing Service](#)

This site provides information and listings for off-campus housing; it is an excellent resource for your housing search.

[UW-Madison University Housing](#)

This site provides information on UW campus housing, including dormitories, apartments and family housing. Note: there is often a waiting list to get into University-owned family housing. If interested, be sure to contact University Housing as soon as possible.

[UW-Madison International Student Services \(ISS\)](#)

International Student Services (ISS) offers a wide variety of services and programs to international students at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The ISS staff provides information and programs to international students about the campus and community and provides support and assistance concerning visas and related immigration issues.

[UW-Madison Graduate School Information](#)

This site contains everything you need to know about Graduate School policies, procedures, timelines and more.