Thursday, August 30
Pre-Orientation: Mandatory Writing Placement Test

Undergraduate Students

9:30 – 11:30 am  Writing Placement Test: Morning Session
Location to be provided by email and posted via signs in the South Entrance Lobby

-or-

1:30 – 3:30 pm  Writing Placement Test: Afternoon Session
Location to be provided by email and posted via signs in the South Entrance Lobby

Hillside Campus / Room TBD

For those who are unable to attend, a make up test will be offered Tuesday, September 4th at 1:30 pm.

Who is required to take the Writing Placement Test?

Undergraduate students who have not previously completed a college level English Composition class from a regionally-accredited U.S. college or university where the primary language of instruction is in English with a “B” or better or AP test of 4 or 5 in English Composition or English Literature are required to take a Writing Placement Test for purposes of placing you in the correct level of our required Writing class. Those who have already fulfilled the class requirement as described above will receive transfer credit for the class and are therefore exempted from the writing placement test. Students are responsible for providing an official college transcript or official AP score report in order to receive transfer credit. Classes taken at non-U.S. colleges in which the language of instruction is English will be evaluated on an individual basis. Any exception to the testing policy will be made on a case-by-case basis by the Chair of Humanities and Design Sciences or her/his designee. Exchange students are exempt from all testing requirements.

To reserve a time slot for the Writing Placement Test on Pre-Orientation Testing Day, please go to:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RSVPWritingTestFall2012

Please contact the CSE Office at (626) 396-2323 or cse@artcenter.edu if you have any questions.
**Tuesday, September 4**  
**Orientation Week**

**Undergraduate and Graduate Students**

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| 9:00 - 9:30 am| Welcome to Art Center!  
Kit Baron, Vice President, Admissions  
Jeffrey Hoffman, Dean of Students  
Lorne M. Buchman, President & Chief Executive Officer | Ahmanson Auditorium                           |
| 9:30 – 9:45 am| Overview of Orientation Week                                                              | Ahmanson Auditorium                           |
| 9:45 – 12:00 pm| Meet your Peer Mentors and tour the campus  
Upon arrival at Orientation, you will receive a folder that lists your Peer Mentor and your Orientation and Registration group number | Ahmanson Auditorium                           |
| 12:00 - 1:30 pm| New Student Lunch with Peer Mentors (buffet provided)                                        | Student Dining Room                           |

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| 1:30 - 3:00 pm| Optional Digital Waiver Tests  
- or -  
**Digital Design II**: For students in Graphic Design  
**Imaging I**: For students in Photography + Imaging | Computer Labs Downstairs                      |
| 3:30 - 5:00 pm| Writing Placement Make Up Test  
For students who were unable to take it during pre-orientation week | Los Angeles Times Media Center               |

**Graduate Students**

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| 2:00 – 5:30 pm| Orientation to department and course selection  
Broadcast Cinema (Hillside Campus)  
Graduate Art (South Campus 950 S. Raymond Ave., Pasadena)  
Graduate Environmental Design (Hillside Campus)  
Industrial Design (Hillside Campus)  
Media Design (South Campus 950 S. Raymond Ave., Pasadena)  
Graduate Transportation Design (Hillside Campus) | Conference Room B  
Graduate Lobby  
Room TBD  
Grad ID, Room 135  
Wind Tunnel  
Room TBD |
**Wednesday, September 5**

**International Undergraduate and Graduate Students**

8:45 – 12:00 pm  
*Your Stay in the States: What to Expect, Immigration & America 101*  
Jeonghan Ryu, Assistant Director for Intercultural Programs and International Advisor, CSE Office  
Staying legal as an F-1 visa student and Life at Art Center  
Faculty Dining Room

*One-on-One Research Mentoring and General Question & Answer Session*  
Get off to a good start on your writing and design projects. Join us for an informal gathering to learn about one-on-one help with library resources, databases, and the catalog. Refreshments provided.  
Rachel Julius, Public Services Librarian  
Michelle Betty, Reference Librarian  
James Lemont Fogg Library

**Domestic Undergraduate and Graduate Students (receiving state & federal aid)**

10:15 – 11:45 am  
*Financial Literacy: Funding your Education*  
Kuniko Reynolds, Assistant Director, Financial Aid  
Ahmanson Auditorium

**Undergraduate & Graduate Students**

12:00 – 12:30 pm  
*Break (lunch on your own)*  
Student Dining Room

**Undergraduate and Graduate Students**

12:45 – 4:30 pm  
*Wednesday Afternoon Sessions*  
Designmatters | 12:45 – 1:00 pm  
Learning Together: Art Center Handbook and Policies | 1:00 – 1:15 pm  
Library Resources for In & Out of the Classroom | 1:15 – 1:45 pm  
Campus Security, Safety & Parking | 1:45 – 2:15 pm  
Ahmanson Auditorium

*Break: Coffee & Tea provided | 2:15 – 2:45 pm*  
Campus Sustainability & Public Transportation | 2:45 – 3:00 pm  
Your Writing Center | 3:00 – 3:15 pm  
Taking Care of Yourself: Health Insurance and Student Support Services | 3:15 – 3:45 pm  
Creativity Coaching | 3:45 – 4:00 pm  
The Future is Now: Your Careers & Life beyond Art Center as Alumni | 4:00 – 4:15 pm  
Alumni Legacy Circle | 4:15 – 4:30 pm  
Ahmanson Auditorium

**Reminder:** Please bring your New Student Information Form & Vehicle Registration tomorrow
### Thursday, September 6

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<td><em>How to Get &amp; Give Good Crit</em></td>
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<td>This session will introduce you to what to expect in the classroom so you will create your very best work.</td>
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*Portfolio Activity with Peer Mentors: the portfolio activity is an opportunity for new students to view portfolio work and ask questions of current students. For majors not listed here, please utilize the time by going to any rooms that interest you from a trans-disciplinary approach.

Room 202: Transportation Design / Product Design / Environmental Design | Room 204: Illustration / Entertainment Design | Room 205: Fine Art
Room 207: Advertising / Graphic Design | Room 208: Film | Room 209: Photography

5:00 – 7:00 pm **Sunset Social**
Join your fellow new students and current students for this sunset get-together.
Hors d’oeuvres provided. Sponsored by Art Center Student Gov’t and Center for the Student Experience

Rooftop, South Campus
950 S. Raymond Ave., Pasadena
Friday, September 7

**Parents, Spouses, Partners, and other Family Members of our New Students**

8:00 – 9:00 am  
*Family Orientation Check In*  
South Entrance, Hillside Campus

8:15 – 9:00 am  
*Breakfast hosted by Alumni Legacy Circle*  
Ahmanson Auditorium Lobby

9:00 – 12:00 pm  
*Family Orientation Program*  
Kendra Stanifer, Associate Director, Student Support Services, CSE Office  
Ahmanson Auditorium

**Undergraduate Students**

11:30 – 12:30 pm  
*Lunch with your Department (buffet provided)*  
Student Dining Room

12:30 – 2:30 pm  
*Departmental Orientation:*


**Graduate Students**

*Program specific activities organized by your graduate department*  
Location & Times – TBD

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Saturday, September 8

**Classes begin. Please check your schedule to see if you have a Saturday Class.**
South Campus Map

Mezzanine

Second Floor

Ground Floor

Basement

Original credit student put on map: