

ISSS International Pre-Orientation 2021

Color Key	ISSS Events	Social Events Social Activities	PALs Sessions	Information Arrival Day
Thursday, September 2	Friday, September 3	Saturday, September 4	Sunday, September 5	Monday, September 6
		bring travel documents		ISSSee You Soon! 9am-10am MBH 216
	Pre-Orientation Welcome 10am-10.30am MBH216/220	ISSS 0101 10am-11am MBH 216	ISSS 0102 10am-11am MBH 216	travel documents returned
WELCOME CENTER 10am-10pm <i>Axinn Center</i>	PAL Meetup #1 10.30am-11.30am (various locations)	Visa & Status Sessions 11.15am-12.30pm F1 Visa (MBH 216) J1 Visa (MBH 220) Other Status (MBH 104)	Let's Talk: Work in F-1 Status 11am-12pm MBH104 Let's Talk: Being US Abroad 11am-12pm MBH317	PAL Meetup #6 10am-11am MBH 216
	Family Session 10.30am-11.30am (MBH220)			Closing Ceremony 11am-12pm MBH 216
	Welcome Lunch 11.45am-12.45pm <i>Atwater Dining Hall</i>			
Students required to complete Day 0 COVID-19 testing will be directed to Virtue Field House upon arrival.		travel documents collected		
Once tested, students will go to Axinn Center to complete ISSS check-in	Paint the Town! 1pm-5pm <i>meet at AXN Patio</i>	PAL Meetup #3 2pm-2.45pm <i>various locations</i>	Let's Talk: US Culture 1.15pm-2.45pm <i>McCullough Student Center Wilson Hall</i>	MidView Begins! <i>check go/orientation/ for more info</i>
PALs will assist you to/from testing.		Let's Talk: Academics 3pm-4pm MBH 216	Stories from the Inside 3pm-4.30pm <i>McCullough Student Center Wilson Hall</i>	
Town Run 12pm-4pm		First @ Midd Social 4.15pm-5.15pm	PAL Meetup #5 4.45pm-5.30pm <i>various locations</i>	
Campus Tours 4pm-6pm	PAL Time! 1-5pm MBH 216 / MBH 219	PAL Time! 4.15pm-5.15pm <i>McCullough Student Center Wilson Hall</i>	Dinner on Own 5.30-8pm <i>dining halls</i>	
Dining Hall open for students only 7--11am / 11am--2pm / 4.30--8.30pm	families depart campus by 5pm	Dinner with PALs 5.30pm-6.15pm <i>dining halls</i>		
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	International Trivia 8.30pm-9.30pm <i>McCullough Student Center Crossroads Café</i>	International Bonfire! 8.30pm-10pm <i>Atwater Dining Terrace</i>	at the Kirk 8pm-11pm <i>Kirk Alumni Center</i>	
		Midd by Night 9.30pm-11pm <i>meet at McCullough Patio</i>		

Session Descriptions & Locations

Welcome Center	Axinn (AXN)	Students requiring Day 0 testing upon arrival go to Virtue Field House. Check-in with ISSS and PALs will take place at Axinn from 10am-10pm.
Pre-Orientation Welcome	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216 / MBH220)	Join us for a warm welcome to Vermont and to our ISSS Pre-Orientation program. Families welcome.
Family Session	Bicentennial Hall (MBH 220)	Meet Kathy Foley, the Associate Dean/Director of ISSS and Jennifer Sellers, PhD, the Senior Student Life Dean. They are prepared to share information about the College, including resources, and answer your immediate questions.
Welcome Lunch	Atwater Dining Hall	Meet your fellow students, PALs, and enjoy a delicious lunch at one of Middlebury's finest dining halls.
Paint the Town! / PAL Time!	In front of Axinn (AXN)	Explore Middlebury and get important errands done in the company of your enthusiastic PALs. Take the bus or shuttles to Hannafords Plaza, tour the town, and have fun with PAL activities!
Dinner with PALs	Proctor Dining Hall	Get to know your PAL group better by having dinner with your PALs!
International Trivia	McCullough Stu Ctr (Crossroads Café)	Show off your knowledge in our exciting International Trivia!
PAL Meetups	Various Locations	Learn about Middlebury, ask questions, and grow close to your fellow students in these small daily groups led by PALs.
ISSS 0101	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216)	International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) provides more than visa-related advising. Meet the team and learn more about the office.
Visa & Status Sessions	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216)	Explore your visa status and learn more about being an international student in the US. Please bring travel documents to this session (Form I- 20 or DS- 2019, passport, & I- 94 record if applicable).
Let's Talk: Academics	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216)	Welcome Professor Shawna Shapiro for an informative session on the US classroom and academic culture.
First @ Midd Social	Anderson Freeman Center	Meet-and-mingle with first-generation students from the First@Midd program (optional).
PAL Time!	McCullough Student Ctr (Wilson Hall)	Have fun and participate in cool activities brought by your PALs!
International Bonfire	Atwater Dining Terrace	Gather around the bonfire to share cool conversations and sublime smores!
Midd by Night	In front of McCullough Patio	Count the endless stars in the Vermont sky during an exciting night tour around campus.
ISSS 0102	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216)	With so many questions in mind, take advantage of some additional time with the ISSS team. We are here for you! You will explore the various questions and scenarios you should bring to ISSS.
Let's Talk: Work in F1 Status	Bicentennial Hall (MBH104)	Though your primary responsibility in F-1 status is to study, learn more about working in the U.S.
Let's Talk: Being US Abroad	Bicentennial Hall (MBH317)	Join us for a discussion of what it means being an international student and a US citizen!
Let's Talk: US Culture	McCullough Student Ctr (Wilson Hall)	Join ISSS staff members and PALs in an important discussion and introspection about U.S. culture, our shared and different cultural values, what it means to adjust to a new culture and environment.
Stories from the Inside	McCullough Student Ctr (Wilson Hall)	Hear real and vulnerable stories about life as a Middlebury student from your PALs.
at the Kirk	Kirk Alumni Center	Show off your talents in our traditional talent (or anti-talent) show and then enjoy the best of world music throughout the night.
ISSSee You Soon!	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216)	So many details and so much to keep track of. But, you're not alone; we'll share tips to maximize ISSS advising and how to stay in touch with us. ** Travel documents will be returned at this session.**
Closing Ceremony	Bicentennial Hall (MBH216)	Say goodbye to ISSS Pre-Orientation and gear up for MiddView!