

New Graduate Student Orientation Fall 2023



All session marked with an *asterisk are OPTIONAL!!

SAGE Dining brunch, lunch, & dinner are \$10 per person & breakfast is \$8 for students not on the meal plan

Note: Pritzker Student Center was formerly known as Peterson Student Center

Schedule subject to change

Sunday, August 20

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
9:30am – 3pm	Evans Science Lab (ESL) – Portal	New Student Check-In & Move-In: Check in with housing and admissions to get access to your room and pick up your welcome packet. Note: <u>Off campus students</u>, you will need to come to campus to check in, we suggest you arrive to check in 10-15mn prior to your 2:30pm orientation session today.
10am – 1pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Brunch: Stop by the dining hall for a delicious brunch provided by SAGE Dining. Be sure to download the Touch of SAGE app to see what is being served.
2pm	Fishpond Placita	*Campus Tours: Students and families are given the opportunity to meet members of the admissions and student ambassador teams for a tour of the campus.
2:30 – 4pm	William Darkey Graduate Common Room – Levan Hall	Graduate Institute Orientation: Meet with the Associate Dean for Graduate Programs, Ned Walpin, and ask any questions you may have about St. John's. It is also an opportunity to meet the rest of the Graduate Institute staff, who are valuable resources of information about St. John's and are available to all Graduate Institute students. Note: <u>Off campus students</u>, we suggest you check in at ESL 10-15mn before the start of this session.
5 – 7pm	Meem Placita	*Student Engagement Team Welcome Dinner: Feel free to grab dinner to go <u>or</u> you can stick around to meet folks. The dining hall will not be open since we have the catered dinner.
7pm	Ferdinand	Hall Meetings: The RAs will gather their hall members for a short group meeting. Note: <u>This meeting is for on campus residents only.</u>

Monday, August 21

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
8 – 9am	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Breakfast: Enjoy a delicious breakfast catered by SAGE dining.
12:30- 1:30pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Lunch
3 – 4pm	The Great Hall - Pritzker Student Center	*SJC Legacies: In this session Jennifer Sprague (Library Director) and Craig Jolly (Acquisitions and Archives) will brief you on the history of St. John's College Santa Fe.
4 – 5pm	The Great Hall Balcony - Pritzker Student Center	*An Introduction to the Johnnie Way: Join alumni for FREE scrumptious appetizers before dinner to learn more about your place in the wider St. John's community, dispel some myths, and hear how alumni can support you on your Johnnie journey. Sponsored by the Board of Visitors and Governors (BVG) and the Alumni Association Board (AAB).
6 – 8pm	Santa Fe	Graduate Institute Dean's Welcome Dinner

Tuesday, August 22

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
11:30am – 1pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Lunch

Wednesday, August 23

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
8 – 9:30am	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Breakfast
11:30am – 1pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Lunch
5 – 7pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Dinner
7 – 8pm	William Darkey Graduate Common Room – Levan Hall	*Graduate Council: Join members of the Graduate Council for drinks and charcuterie as you learn how this group supports students.

Thursday, August 24

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
8 – 9:30am	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Breakfast
10:30am	Weigle & ESL Placita	Convocation Practice
11 – 1:30pm	Weigle & ESL Placita, & Fishpond Placita	Convocation, Lunch, & Class Photos
1:30pm		Free time for seminar preparation
5 – 7pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Dinner
7:30pm	Classrooms As Assigned	Meno Seminar: Your study at St. John's College begins with your first Seminar, a two-hour conversation. We hope it is thrilling!
9:30pm	Coffee Shop – Pritzker Student Center	Post-Seminar Mingle: Continue the conversation with students & tutors. Free donuts, coffee, and tea in the coffee shop.

Friday, August 25

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
8 – 9am	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Breakfast
11:30 – 1:30pm	SAC Field – Student Activities Center	*Welcome Party & BBQ: Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an afternoon of lawn games, tie-dye, large inflatables, music, and delicious food. The dining hall will be closed during this event. Feel free to grab food to go or stick around and enjoy the festivities.
2 – 4:30pm	The Field – Student Activities Center (SAC)	*Community Intramurals: Are you an orange Myrmidon? A blue Olympian? A purple Hustler? Or green Geometer? You're definitely one of them. Join us to find out which, then toss a disc or volley a ball to prepare yourself—the real games come soon.
5 – 7pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Dinner
7pm	Meem Placita	Dean's Opening Lecture: In accordance with tradition, the Dean will deliver the opening lecture of the academic year.

“A Timely Untimely Education”

“I hate everything that merely instructs me without augmenting or directly invigorating my activity.” Nietzsche opens "The Advantage and Disadvantage of History for Life" with this quote from Goethe. It appropriately frames Nietzsche’s own meditation, which does not just walk us through different ways to relate to the past, giving us a schema for making sense of history, but invigorates and leads to a quickening within us. But how? This lecture investigates Nietzsche's claim that the "excess of history" in modern times compromises the health and vitality of human life. It then considers "The Advantage and Disadvantage of History for Life" itself as presenting an alternative way to relate to history. Finally, it asks how, if at all, this alternative informs a St. John's education.

8:30pm Meem Placita

Dean’s Lecture Question Period

Saturday, August 26

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
9 – 2pm	The Grassy Knoll	*Community in Focus Day: Students, staff, and faculty are invited to a morning of community service projects. There will be both on and off campus offerings for folks to sign up for during move-in day. Be sure to bring a reusable water bottle, hat, and sunglasses. We’ll take attendance at the grassy knoll before splitting into groups. Light breakfast items will be available for everyone and for off campus folks, a sack lunch.
8 – 11pm	Coffee Shop – Pritzker Student Center	*Board Game Night: Meet other Johnnies over board games and snacks at one of the most casual, fun parties on campus. This event is hosted by the Student Events Ambassadors.

Sunday, August 27

TIME (MDT)	LOCATION	SESSION
9:30– 10am	Weight Room – Student Activities Center (SAC)	*Κίνησης: A fun and challenging fitness program, whose main goal is that of improving one's quality of life through health and fitness. We lift, we run, we jump, we stretch, and everything in between to gain proficiency in every and any physical task. For more information contact Luis Melgar: lfmelgar@sjc.edu

10 – 10:30am	Student Activities Center (SAC)	*Morning Workout: De-stress with Beth Michaliszyn for a mid-day workout session. Be sure to check your orientation packet for a schedule of future classes.
10am – 1pm	Dining Hall – Pritzker Student Center	*Brunch
10:30 – 11am	Student Activities Center (SAC)	*Yoga: Continue to shed the stress with yoga led by Annie. Be sure to check the SAC schedule for future classes.
11 – 11:30am	Basketball Court – Student Activities Center (SAC)	*Johnnie Strong: This coed, low-weight, high-repetition weightlifting class tones and strengthens the entire body, burning lots of calories. No previous weight-lifting experience is necessary, coaching is provided, and exercises are performed at safe ranges of motion.

Thank you so much for joining us for Orientation!

Welcome Week: August 28 – September 2

Join us for a week of welcome as we continue to introduce you to life at St John's College. The full schedule will be on the orientation webpage and a paper copy will be in your folders at check-in/move-in.

St. John's College Shuttle Schedule beginning Tuesday, August 29

Day	Time	Campus Pick-Up Location
Tuesdays & Wednesdays	3pm - 9pm	Pritzker Visitor's Circle
Saturdays & Sundays	9am - 9pm	Pritzker Visitor's Circle

When operating, the shuttle leaves campus every hour & a half throughout the semester.