

PLEASE be sure to attend all REQUIRED events. Attendance will be taken.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

If you do NOT have an on-campus housing assignment, you are not required to come to campus on this day. However, everyone is welcome to join the social activities.

Check-in for Campus Housing: When you arrive at campus, do NOT go directly to your assigned residence hall building; you will be checking in and picking up your room key at International Orientation Headquarters or Campus Safety first. The check-in location depends on the time of day.

Time: Early Morning

- Procedure: Check in at the Campus Safety Office located in the first floor of the Neeb Center (intersection of Park Ave and 125th St S)
- Note: Let the Campus Safety officer know that you are a new international student. A Campus Safety officer will be able to escort you to your residence hall room.

Time: 9:00AM - 5:00PM

- Procedure: Check in at International Orientation Headquarters in Anderson University Center room 201.
- Note: After you check in, a student leader will take you to your residence hall room.

Time: After 5:00PM

- Procedure: Check in at the Campus Safety Office located in the first floor of the Neeb Center (intersection of Park Ave and 125th St S). If the door to Neeb is locked, use the intercom by the entrance to speak with someone in the Campus Safety Office.
- Note: Let the Campus Safety officer know that you are a new international student. A Campus Safety officer will be able to escort you to your residence hall room.

Evening Social: Have dinner with IPAs and other new students! We will introduce you to local Parkland restaurants and businesses.

- Time: 6:00PM - 8:00PM
- Location: Meet outside Harstad Hall on the street side

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

EVERYONE is required to arrive on campus by this day.

Breakfast On Your Own

- Time: 7:00AM - 8:30AM
- Location: Anderson University Center, The Commons or Old Main Market

International Student Welcome & Orientation (REQUIRED for All): This is the official opening of International Student Orientation. Meet other new students and International Peer Advisors! You will learn a variety of information necessary to adjust to your life at PLU.

- Time: 8:30AM – 10:30AM
- Location: Anderson University Center, Regency Room 203
- Note: **Bring your passport & I-20 or DS-2019. Please eat breakfast before you come!**

Overview of Immigration Policy and Benefits (REQUIRED): Learn essential information about how to maintain your immigration status in the United States.

- Time: 10:30AM – 11:30AM
- Location: Anderson University Center, Regency Room 203

Group Lunch

- Time: 11:30AM - 12:30PM
- Location: Anderson University Center, The Commons
- Note: Please use your dining dollars or pay with cash or card

Trip to Medical Lab and Shopping Center: We will stop at a medical lab first for students who need to have a T-spot test. Then we will take you to local stores to purchase mobile phone services, bedding and bathing items, electronics, and room accessories.

- Time: 2:00PM – 6:00PM
- Location: Meet at International Student Center, Harstad Hall 112

Evening Social: Enjoy a pizza party and game night with your new friends!

- Time: 6:00PM - 9:00PM
- Location: Harstad Hall, 1st floor Main Lounge

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**Breakfast On Your Own**

- Location: Anderson University Center, The Commons or Old Main Market

Campus Tour

- Time: 8:45AM – 9:45AM
- Location: Meet in Anderson University Center by the main entrance with the flag display

Essential Online Resources (REQUIRED): Learn all about accessing important online resources at PLU.

- Time: 9:45AM – 11:00AM
- Location: Morken Building, Room 124 & 214. Meet in the lower lobby area of Morken to be directed to a room.

Group Lunch in Downtown Tacoma: Eat lunch with IPAs and other new students.

- Time: 12:00PM - 2:00PM
- Location: Meet at International Student Center, Harstad Hall 112
- Note: Please bring cash and/or credit card for lunch and dinner.

Explore Downtown Tacoma: There will be a team challenge for those who want to participate. We will explore local museums and attractions, and then you have the option to eat dinner downtown before returning to campus.

- Time: 2:00PM - 7:00PM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**All new Domestic Students are arriving to campus on this day.****Breakfast On Your Own**

- Location: Anderson University Center, The Commons or Old Main Market

Trip to Medical Lab: For students who still need to complete vaccinations or the T-spot test.

- Time: 8:00AM - 10:00AM (Contact health@plu.edu if you have questions about required immunizations.)
- Location: Meet at International Student Center, Harstad Hall 112

Small Group Break-out Session (REQUIRED): Have questions about classes or campus life? Current PLU students will answer your questions and share their tips for succeeding at PLU.

- Time: 10:00AM – 11:00AM
- Location: Meet outside the Center for DJS, lower level of the Anderson University Center

International Student Group Photos: Have pictures taken by the University Photographer!

- Time: 11:00AM - 11:30AM
- Location: Outside the Anderson University Center

International Student Lunch: We'll mark the end of ISO with a catered buffet lunch before the start of LUTE Welcome!

- Time: 11:30AM – 12:30PM
- Location: Anderson University Center, Regency Room 203

Optional Afternoon Shuttle: Offering quick local trips to destinations like Bank of America, the medical lab, and a grocery store.

- Time: 1:30PM – 4:30PM
- Location: Stop by the International Student Center, Harstad Hall 112, to sign up and wait for the shuttle

****General New Student Orientation begins Saturday!**

For New Student Orientation schedule refer to <http://www.plu.edu/new/> and attend events that are most appropriate of your student type: First Year Students, Transfer Students OR Parents & Families.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**LUTE Group & Academic Advising Meetings (REQUIRED for Undergraduates):**

- Time: 8:30AM - 9:30AM
- Location: Find your individual LUTE Group & Advising Group meeting locations printed on your name tag, which you received at check in. If you don't have your name tag, stop by LUTE Welcome Headquarters in the Anderson University Center.

Opening Convocation: The formal start of the 2026-2027 academic year!

- Time: 9:30AM - 11:00AM
- Location: Meet in Red Square and then process to Olson Auditorium

Date To Be Determined: International Lutes Meet & Greet: PLU's international students, faculty, and staff are invited to connect at the start of the school year. There will be snacks, refreshments, and activities.

- Event information will be emailed to you