

UPPERCLASSMEN ORIENTATION SCHEDULE: FALL 2013

Orientation Week

Wednesday 28th August

8am-3pm	Check in (All students) <i>Students are to check in no later than 3pm on 28th August</i>
Various times	Walking tours of the local area <i>Optional – meet outside housing as follows:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Byron Court 1pm, 4pm • Guilford Street 3pm • Nido 1pm, 4pm
6:30pm	Mandatory Housing Talk for Byron Court Meet your floor and find out all you need to know about the residence. Floors will be meeting at the following times : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All Fourth Floor residents - <i>meet in the TV room (floor -2)</i> ○ All Lower Ground (LG) and Second Floor residents - <i>meet in the Games room (floor -1)</i>
7:30pm	Byron social activity – Pizza - <i>in the Games room (floor -1)</i>

Thursday 29th August

10am-11:40am	Mandatory Housing Talk for Guilford House residents <i>Guilford Study Room (1st floor)</i> Meet your floor and find out all you need to know about the residence. Floors will be meeting at the following times : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10:00am Lower Ground Floor (LG) ○ 10:20am Ground Floor (G) ○ 10:40am First Floor (1) ○ 11:00am Second Floor (2) ○ 11:20am Third Floor (3)
11am	Nido residents depart from outside housing for walk to ULU for lunch, followed by Orientation
11:45am	Byron Court & Guilford House residents depart from outside housing for walk to ULU for lunch, followed by Orientation
12.00 noon-1pm	Lunch <i>At ULU, Malet Street, in the Gallery and Duck & Dive (on the first floor)</i>
1.15pm – 4.00pm	Main Orientation <i>Senate House Library, Malet Street, in Beveridge Hall (ground flr, South building)</i> Attendance is MANDATORY – you will be asked to sign in. At the end of Orientation, if you wish you can follow staff posted along the route to the NYUL Academic Centre to see where a majority of your classes are held, check to see if you have any mail or to use the computer labs until the optional Pub Quiz begins, or just head back to housing at your leisure.
4.30pm – 6pm	IT support – Byron residents If those technical gremlins have taken hold and you need support accessing the NYU wireless system in Byron from your laptop, please head to Reception
7pm – 9pm	Pub Quiz - social event <i>Venue to be confirmed</i> <i>Meet outside residences (or at reception at the NYUL Academic Centre) at 6:30pm to travel there.</i> A great chance to meet your peers. Prizes for the winning team! Light buffet provided.

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Friday 30th August

9am – 12noon	SPEX Rummage Sale <i>in the Byron Court Basement</i> Cheap necessities (donated by last semester's students) for your semester in London! Electrical appliances, converters, textbooks and more! All proceeds will go to the London branch of the Stern Political Economy Exchange.		
9am – 10am	IT support – Guilford residents If those technical gremlins have taken hold and you need support accessing the NYU wireless system in Guilford from your laptop, please head to the TV Room (Ground Floor)		
9am – 10am	IT support – Nido residents If those technical gremlins have taken hold and you need support accessing the NYU wireless system in Nido from your laptop, please head to the Study Room (Floor -1)		
10am-12noon	Tisch Orientation (MANDATORY FOR ALL TSOA LONDON STUDENTS) You must walk to the Tisch Centre, Senate House South Block, Room 26 and arrive by 9.45am. See the attached map for a reminder of the location.		
12noon – 3pm	Book Sale and Academic Advising 101 For all students except Tisch <i>At ULU, in The Venue (on the first floor)</i> Drop by the book sale to browse and buy titles for your classes. Discuss any questions about classes, registration, your schedule with a member of the Academics team.		
12noon – 1pm	Lunch <i>At ULU, in The Venue (on the first floor)</i>		
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Student Fair ALL STUDENTS <i>At ULU, in the Upper Hall (on the third floor)</i> This is your chance to meet with representatives of student and voluntary organisations, find out how to stay with a British family as part of the HOST programme, meet with travel organisations and more.		
1pm – 1.30pm	SOAS Advising Session <i>Malet Suite, 2nd Floor, ULU</i> Thinking about taking a class at SOAS this Fall? Please attend this required meeting to learn how the exchange works and what you will need to do to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to directly enrol in SOAS.		
2pm to 6pm	Group Sessions: All optional, but very useful! No need to book, just turn up!		
	TIME	WHERE	TOPIC
	2.00pm – 2.55pm	ULU Malet Suite, 2 nd floor	Travel in Europe <i>Find out more about planning your travel adventures around Europe</i>
	3.00pm – 3.25pm	ULU Malet Suite, 2 nd floor	Making the most of your time in London - <i>How to meet locals: volunteering, clubs & societies, ULU, ISH, sports, gyms</i> - <i>how to enjoy the city without spending a fortune</i>
	3.30pm – 4.00pm	ULU Malet Suite, 2 nd floor	HOST <i>HOST UK provides international students studying at UK institutions with a weekend visit in a British home. The session covers how to apply for the HOST programme and answers some common questions students have. You must attend this session or make an appointment to meet with Student Life staff to participate on HOST.</i>
	4.00pm – 4.30pm	ULU Malet Suite, 2 nd floor	Public Transportation in London – the basics - <i>Tube, bus, train, taxi</i>
5.00pm – 6.00pm	NYUL Student Hub	Q&A - <i>Any questions? Come to the Student Hub, on the ground floor of the NYUL Academic Centre, 6 Bedford Square.</i>	

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8.30pm- 2am	<p>RA's Welcome Party at the Zoo Bar <i>Meet outside the NYU Academic Centre at 8.30pm</i></p> <p>To celebrate your arrival into London, please join our residence assistants as they lead interested students into the heart of London's West End for a welcome party at London's Zoo Bar. We have arranged a private room at this, one of London's liveliest bars, for all students to relax after Academic Orientation, get to know each other and our residence staff. The Zoo Bar is a 15-minute walk from the NYU Academic Centre at Bedford Square. Entry is free if you come with us. Bring ID (passport or driving license) and dress to impress! No sportswear or trainers! Bring your NYU ID too.</p>
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Saturday 31st August

9am – 12.00noon	<p>SPEX Rummage Sale <i>in the Byron Court Basement</i></p> <p>Any cheap necessities (donated by last semester's students) which are left after yesterday's session (which may still include electrical appliances, converters, textbooks) will be available for sale, with all proceeds going to the London branch of the Stern Political Economy Exchange.</p>
1.30pm – 5.30pm	<p>Half day guided panoramic coach tour of London <i>Coaches will depart from outside the Byron Court residence only</i></p>
8pm – 11pm	<p>Social event</p> <p>Come to The Square Pig in Holborn (30-32 Procter Street, WC1V 6NX) and join fellow NYU London students for a night of great music and free canapes!</p> <p>Meet outside Byron, Guilford, or Nido at 7:40pm to walk there with staff (Nido residents will travel via the underground – please bring your oystercards, loaded with some credit for the journey)</p>

Sunday 1st September

11am	<p>Trip to Camden Market - <i>meet outside the NYUL Academic Centre</i></p> <p>Camden is London's Bohemian quarter and each Sunday, young people from all over Europe flock to be part of the famous weekend market. Since the days of Punk Rock in the late-70s Camden has become a centre of youth culture and a place where many of Britain's creative young talent and aspiring fashion designers go to exhibit their "street ware" from stalls. Today it is a fun way to spend a Sunday and a great place to pick-up an unusual gift. Camden is also a great place for lunch, with lots of inexpensive and unusual places to eat.</p> <p>Students will need to bring their Oyster Cards and some cash (£10-£15) for lunch. This trip, even though voluntary, would be a good trip for people still getting used to the London Transport network, as we aim to use this trip as an opportunity to fully practice the advice students were given at Orientation on how London Transport works!</p>
From 9pm	<p>Sign up for Day Trips Programming online.</p> <p>An email will be sent on 30th August with details of how to sign up.</p>

Week 1 of Classes

Monday 2nd September

All day	Classes begin
1pm	<p>Tour of Senate House Library (except Tisch students) <i>Meet in the Student Resource Room (G08), on the Ground floor of 6 Bedford Sq</i></p> <p>Find out more about this critical resource.</p>
1.00pm – 1.50pm	<p>Meeting with Dean Schwarzbach – Liberal Studies Sophomores and Juniors</p> <p><i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room G01</i></p> <p>All Liberal Studies sophomores and juniors are invited to this drop-in lunch with Dean Schwarzbach. Refreshments will be provided.</p>
6.00pm –	Orientation for all Internship students

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7.30pm	<i>Room 104, NYUL Academic Centre</i> All students undertaking an internship as part of the NYU London programme this semester must attend this Orientation meeting organized by EUSA. This session will give important information to help prepare you for your internship and related seminar.
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Tuesday 3rd September

11am-2pm	Passport Copies for Tier 4 Students <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room 308 (third floor, 6 Bedford Square)</i> All students with who entered the country under a Tier 4 Student Visa must bring your passport to the Academic Centre either today or tomorrow (see below). You must show the original to staff and a copy will be taken and stored.
1pm	Tour of Senate House Library (except Tisch students) <i>Meet in the Student Resource Room (G08), on the Ground floor of 6 Bedford Sq.</i> Find out more about this critical resource.
7.00pm	Hidden Pubs of London Walking Tour <i>Meet outside Byron Court</i> A short walk from the NYUL residences is Holborn, home to a number of London's most famous and historic pubs. We aim to visit three; the first dates from the 15 th Century, the second is named after the knights who formerly owned land in the area and our last pub the location where one of London's infamous murderers used to ply his trade!

Wednesday 4th September

11am-2pm	Passport Copies for Tier 4 Students <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room 308 (third floor, 6 Bedford Square)</i> If you entered the country under a Tier 4 Student Visa and did not bring your passport to the Academic Centre yesterday you must bring it in today. You must show the original to staff and a copy will be taken and stored.
1.30pm – 2.30pm	Gym Fair <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room G07 & G06</i> Do you like to work out? Do you want to find out the best deals on gym memberships? Well, come to the Gym Fair! We have invited three of London's top gyms to the NYUL Academic Centre to present their information and enable students to sign-up with a gym that would best suit their needs and budget.
3.30pm – 5.30pm <i>Please arrive on time</i>	Keeping in Touch Workshop <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room TBC</i> The first of our big volunteering workshops is aimed at people who want to volunteer to work in a local care home, working with most especially the elderly. Last year, students participating in on this program reported it was the most fulfilling experience of their time in London!

Thursday 5th September

1.15pm – 1.45pm <i>Please arrive on time</i>	Repeat HOST Session <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room TBC</i> HOST UK provides international students studying at UK institutions with a weekend visit in a British home. The session covers how to apply for the HOST programme and answers some common questions students have. You must attend this session or make an appointment to meet with Student Life staff to participate on HOST.
7pm	Roller Disco <i>Meet outside the NYUL Academic Centre</i> The Renaissance Rooms in London's Vauxhall district provides the venue for to shake a leg (or wheel) at the end of the first week of class. Fancy yourself as a bit of a Tony Manero on roller skates (think <i>Saturday Night Fever!</i>), want to show your funky stuff whizzing around the floor to luscious sounds of <i>D.I.S.C.O.</i> (as Ottawan would have it) or even if you've never skated before but just fancy a good night out; this is the event for you! The trip will be escorted by members of Student and Residence Life staff with entrance providing for all skate hire. The venue features a

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cash bar and rest areas if you get tired from spinning around the dance floor.

Friday 6th September

11am	Scenic London Walk <i>Meet outside the NYU Academic Centre</i> Come on a walk of London's South Bank to witness many of the city's most magical sights, sounds and smells! Our route will take in many of the city's finest vistas as we walk along London River Thames from Saint Paul's Cathedral to the Tower of London passing a number of great landmarks and hearing tales of the colourful characters who frequented these parts in days gone by. We pass Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, rebuilt on the site where many of the greatest plays in the English language were first performed. We learn of the dastardly Bishops of Winchester and their nefarious schemes and we eat at the wonderful Borough Market. There has been a market at Borough since the Vikings and today it is London's top spot to purchase fine foods and has become a magnet for the city's "foodies" including Jamie Oliver. Following lunch we complete our walk over the Tower of London, passing London Bridge and crossing over the iconic Tower Bridge to Tower Hill, beside the world-famous Tower of London, from where students will be chaperoned back to the NYU student residences.
5pm – 6pm	London On A Budget <i>Byron Court TV room (floor -2)</i> - how to enjoy the city without spending a fortune!

Sunday 8th September

From 9pm	Sign up for Cultural Activities Programming online. An email will be sent on 6 th September with details of how to sign up.
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Week 2 of Classes

Monday 9th September

12noon	Deadline for returning Residential Living Agreement forms Byron and Guilford residents – please use the box at reception Nido residents should return forms to the Student Hub
5pm- 6.30pm	West End Walking Tour <i>Meet outside the NYUL Academic Centre</i> Join Clare Calland on a walking tour of London's West End. Clare aims to lead students on a walk to many of places of interest in the district that lies just to the south of the NYU Academic Centre, including Covent Garden, Leicester Square and Piccadilly Circus.

Tuesday 10th September

1pm–2pm <i>Please arrive on time</i>	Schengen Visa Workshop <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room TBC</i> If you require a Schengen Visa to travel throughout Europe (you DO NOT need one if you are a US/EU Citizen!) then come along to this workshop to find out more about the rules and realities of applying for your visa.
5pm	NYUL Amnesty Club – First Meeting <i>Room TBC, NYUL Academic Centre</i> Amnesty International UK is the British branch of the well-known international human rights organisation. Currently focussing on several major campaigns, including <i>Poverty and Human Rights</i> , <i>Women's Human Rights</i> , and <i>Control Arms</i> , joining the new NYUL Amnesty Society is a great chance to get involved with this vital work. You can get involved with letter-writing, campaigning, organising and taking part in actions, fund-raising and numerous other activities. With active local and student groups all over London (the nearest meeting at the YMCA gym just around the corner from the Academic Centre) there will be plenty of opportunities to work with local members to raise money and awareness for Amnesty International UK.

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Wednesday 11th September

5pm – 6pm	A Foodie's Guide to Bloomsbury <i>Meet outside the NYUL Academic Centre</i> Enjoy your food? Want to find out where the best local places to eat? Want to get some great tips on eating on a budget? Join Clare Calland on a walking tour of the neighbourhood that surrounds the NYU Academic Centre to discover some of Clare's top tips for finding great food in the area.
5.30pm – 6.30pm	NYUL Literary Club – First Meeting <i>Room G07, NYUL Academic Centre</i> Do you love literature, writing, and reading poetry and fiction? Are you curious about these subjects but have little experience with them? Then join us at the NYUL Literary Club. The Literary Club will be led by Eve Grubin (www.evegrubin.com). Eve teaches "Writing" at NYU in London. She is a poet (author of Morning Prayer) and has taught creative writing at numerous universities in England and the U.S. The NYUL Literary Club is an informal group, which will meet throughout the semester to discuss writing, stories, poems, and workshop student work. The group will be introduced to great poems and stories by American and British poets from the past and present. Students will have the chance to bring in their own writing – the group will provide feedback in a supportive environment. The atmosphere will be casual, open, and intellectually stimulating.

Thursday 12th September

5.45pm – 6.30pm	Hands on London Workshop <i>NYUL Academic Centre, Room G07</i> Hands On London is a registered charity which helps organisations such as charities, social enterprises and schools from disadvantaged areas in Greater London find volunteers for their programmes and activities. They aim to make volunteering flexible, convenient, and accessible thereby increasing volunteerism within communities and making Greater London a better place. This session will count as your induction and you will then be able to register your details online and start volunteering – for a variety of charities and causes at times convenient for you. If you miss this induction session, please check out the website for details of their regular induction sessions. Check out www.handsonlondon.org.uk/en/calendar for details about upcoming opportunities.
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