WELCOME!
Your student is embarking on an amazing academic journey at Cornell. We welcome parents and family members as essential partners in supporting your student’s success here.

We invite you to join us for Family Orientation programming on Friday, August 17, and Saturday, August 18. Students are required to attend New Student Orientation, from Friday, August 17, through Wednesday, August 22; classes begin Thursday, August 23.

PARENTS ONLY: Events listed in this schedule are open to families and their new Cornell students, except those marked ⚪️, which are for parents and family members only.

CREATE YOUR OWN ITINERARY: Visit our online tool, which allows you to search and create your own itinerary based on your interests: familyorientation.ccengagement.cornell.edu

LOCATING EVENTS: Campus maps are readily available on campus.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING: Those with accessible parking license plates/placards from their home municipality can utilize any accessible parking spaces on campus from Friday, August 17, through Sunday, August 19. Note that accessible placards can be used only in spaces marked for accessibility; they cannot be used in spaces marked as “reserved.”

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION: Contact Residential and New Student Programs (nsp@cornell.edu; 607.255.9187) by August 3 if you need disability accommodation. Visit disability.cornell.edu/visitors.cfm for information on campus accessibility.
UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED ORIENTATION EVENTS

THROUGHOUT THE DAY: GETTING AROUND
Free shuttle buses will take you between North and West Campuses and New Student Check-In (Friday only). We encourage you to park your car as directed by Transportation Services and use these shuttles.

MOVE-IN: DESIGNATED TIME
First-year and transfer students should plan to move into their residences on Friday, August 17, 2018. Due to the large number of students checking in to North Campus, Collegetown (Cascadilla and Sheldon Court), and West Campus (including 122 McGraw Place and 625 University Avenue) on that day, students assigned to those communities are given a move-in time based on the first letter of their last name.

LAST NAME BEGINS WITH: ARRIVE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF:

A–G  11:00 am–2:00 pm  
H–O  2:00 pm–5:00 pm  
P–Z  8:00 am–11:00 am  

Remember to print a copy of your move-in day unloading permit from the to-do list on newstudents.cornell.edu prior to your arrival. To facilitate a smooth move-in experience for everyone, students who arrive early will NOT be able to move in before their assigned move-in time. If your student cannot check in during their move-in time, they should contact the Housing Office prior to Orientation at housing@cornell.edu.

Transfer students assigned to 112 Edgemoor and Schuyler House may move in any time between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm on Friday, August 17.

8:00 am–4:00 pm ● New Student Check-In ● Barton Hall
You and your student should attend this information event, where you’ll meet staff members from across the university sharing information about the wealth of programs and services offered at Cornell. Students who are assigned a 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm move-in time, are expected to attend check-in before moving into their residence hall.

8:00 am–7:00 pm ● The Cornell Store Back-to-School Events ● The Cornell Store, 135 Ho Plaza
Visit the Cornell Store for textbooks, school supplies, and an outstanding selection of Cornell-branded clothing and gifts. The Cornell Store is an authorized dealer for Apple, Dell, and Microsoft. Purchase computer hardware at exclusive academic discounts. Room essentials can be found under the tent outside. The Cornell Store has everything for your student’s residence hall room, including bedding and storage containers, hangers, and more.
You and your student are invited to drop by to learn about the Asian and Asian American Resource Center (A3C), First-Generation and Low-Income Student Support, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center (LGBTRC), Student Development Diversity Initiatives (SDDI, identity-based student organization engagement), the Office of Spirituality and Meaning-Making and Cornell United Religious Work (CURW), Undergraduate Military Veterans Student Support, Women’s Resource Center, and Undocumented/DACA Student Support. Come visit the information tables to talk with staff members and Cornell chaplain affiliates of the cultural and spiritual centers as well as the Office of the Dean of Students student empowerment areas.

The Office of Academic Diversity Initiatives (OADI) and the Office of the Dean of Students for diversity and inclusion welcome you and your family to the Cornell University community. You are invited to participate in this special panel discussion to learn about the many resources the office provides to build community and support academic success. Join OADI’s network of diverse students and faculty and staff members and come together to honor your student’s momentous new beginning.

Learn how your student can get the most out of Cornell’s Library with a one-hour, hands-on session. This introduction includes finding authoritative full-text articles, searching the library catalog, and locating print materials that aren’t online.

Home to the social sciences and humanities collections and the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, these three libraries contain rich resources for the entire Cornell community (Saturday tours do not include Rare and Manuscript Collections). Start in Uris Library’s upper lobby; tours run 40 to 60 minutes.

Welcome, international students and families! This one-hour event is for students with little or no experience using American academic libraries. This session will include an introduction to library services, materials, and spaces.

You and your student are invited to this information session to learn about disability services and accommodation at Cornell.
3:00 pm–4:00 pm ● Walking Tours of Olin, Kroch, and Uris Libraries ● Uris Library, upper lobby
Home to the social sciences and humanities collections and the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, these three libraries contain rich resources for the entire Cornell community (Saturday tours do not include Rare and Manuscript Collections). Start in Uris Library’s upper lobby; tours run 40 to 60 minutes.

3:30 pm–4:30 pm ● Undocu-Orientation ● Robert Purcell Community Center, room provided upon RSVP
The assistant director of Undocumented/DACA Student Support invites you to a special orientation where you can learn about institutional resources available for undocumented/DACAmented students as well as connect with institutional allies. Note: to attend, RSVP with Kevin Graham (Kevin.Graham@cornell.edu), assistant director of Undocumented/DACA Student Support.

4:00 pm–5:00 pm ● Get Started with Library Research @ Cornell ● Uris Library Classroom
Learn how your student can get the most out of Cornell’s Library with a one-hour, hands-on session. This introduction includes finding authoritative full-text articles, searching the library catalog, and locating print materials that aren’t online.

4:00 pm–5:00 pm ● President’s Reception ● Tent on Rawlings Green
New students and families are invited to meet university administrators under the tent on Rawlings Green, which is located near Court Hall and Helen Newman Hall on North Campus. Enjoy light refreshments at this casual reception with the university president, administrators, and staff members.

7:30 pm–8:30 pm ● Student Life at Cornell: A Session for Parents and Guardians ● Call Alumni Auditorium, Kennedy Hall, 1st floor
Join us for a panel discussion with Student and Campus Life administrators moderated by Cornell dean of students Vijay Pendakur and learn about the new student experience at Cornell. Topics will include student health and wellness, Greek life at Cornell, and the campus commitment to creating an inclusive environment that supports a sense of belonging for all students. The session will conclude with questions from the audience.
COLLEGE-SPONSORED ORIENTATION EVENTS

AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

5:30 pm–7:00 pm ● College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) Family Welcome Reception ● G10 Biotechnology Building

Join the college for this informal reception with the CALS dean and faculty and staff members to relax and enjoy a selection of hors d’oeuvres as well as local products produced by the college and alumni, including wine, beer, and soft drinks.

ARCHITECTURE, ART, AND PLANNING

5:30 pm–7:00 pm ● Architecture, Art, and Planning (AAP) Family Welcome Reception ● Milstein Hall dome

The College of Architecture, Art, and Planning welcomes parents and guardians to an informal reception hosted by the academic leadership and faculty and staff members. A selection of hors d’oeuvres, local wine, and beer will be served.

HUMAN ECOLOGY

5:30 pm–7:00 pm ● CHE Family Welcome Reception ● Human Ecology Building Commons

The College of Human Ecology invites you to an informal conversation with Student and Career Development staff members, college faculty members, and deans as they welcome you with hors d’oeuvres and a selection of local wines, beers, and soft drinks.

SC JOHNSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS – DYSON SCHOOL

5:30 pm–7:00 pm ● Dyson Parents’ Welcome Reception ● 401 Warren Hall

Join parents and families of other new Dyson School students at this informal reception as you are welcomed by Dean Lynn Wooten. Other Dyson faculty and staff members will also be present to meet you.

SC JOHNSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS – HOTEL ADMINISTRATION

5:30 pm–7:00 pm ● Hotel School Family Welcome Reception ● Beck Center Park Atrium, Statler Hall

This reception will give you an opportunity to meet, mix, and mingle with Dean Kate Walsh and other deans, faculty members, administrators, and other parents.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED ORIENTATION EVENTS

8:00 am–7:00 pm • The Cornell Store Back-to-School Events • The Cornell Store, 135 Ho Plaza
Visit the Cornell Store for textbooks, school supplies, and an outstanding selection of Cornell-branded clothing and gifts. The Cornell Store is an authorized dealer for Apple, Dell, and Microsoft. Purchase computer hardware at exclusive academic discounts. Room essentials can be found under the tent outside. The Cornell Store has everything for your residence hall room, including bedding and storage containers, hangers, and more.

8:30 am–5:00 pm • Dump and Run Sale • Helen Newman Hall Gymnasium and East Parking Lot
This annual sale is a green way to stock up on items for your student’s new room. Consider shopping here first and see what you can reuse to reduce harm to the environment. All proceeds go to charity.

8:45 am–10:00 am • New Student Convocation • Schoellkopf Field
This will be your official welcome from university administrators, the student body president, and other key student leaders. Note that it takes 30 minutes to walk to the stadium from North Campus and 20 minutes from West Campus; plan accordingly. If you are notified after you arrive that convocation has moved indoors because of inclement weather, report to the following locations based on your student’s college affiliation:

- Bailey Hall: Agriculture and Life Sciences and SC Johnson College of Business—Dyson School
- Barton Hall: Arts and Sciences, Engineering, and ILR
- Call Alumni Auditorium, Kennedy Hall: Human Ecology
- Statler Auditorium, Statler Hall: Architecture, Art, and Planning and SC Johnson College of Business—School of Hotel Administration

9:00 am–6:00 pm • Cornell Botanic Gardens Open House • Nevin Welcome Center and Gardens, Plantations Road
Come explore Cornell Botanic Gardens—the gardens, arboretum, and natural areas of Cornell. Pick up a visitor map and explore on your own, chat with one of the wandering garden guides (Saturday only), browse the exhibits and Garden Gift Shop, or just relax and enjoy the beauty and serenity of the gardens. Receive a free gift with your purchase of $25 or more in the Gift Shop all weekend.

11:00 am–noon • Cornell Botanic Gardens Tour • Nevin Welcome Center, Plantations Road
Enjoy a relaxing guided tour through the Botanic Gardens and discover the beauty and diversity of their numerous themed plant collections. This one-hour tour will highlight the Tropical Container Display, Robison Herb Garden, Young Flower Garden, Groundcover Collection, and more.
1:00 pm–2:00 pm ● Campbell’s Soup and Chicken Nuggets: A Look at Cornell’s History ● Lewis Auditorium, G76 Goldwin Smith Hall
Ever wonder how Cornell chose its school colors? How Ezra Cornell made the fortune he used to found Cornell? Or which Cornell alum was responsible for the creation of the chicken nugget? Join Cornell alumnus and Cornell history expert Corey Ryan Earle ’07 as he shares surprising history and fun facts about Cornell. All are welcome.

1:00 pm–2:00 pm ● Career Success? YES! ● G-01 Uris Hall Auditorium
Learn how Cornell Career Services helps students achieve success in obtaining the postgraduate outcomes they desire. The center offers an array of services to support students in clarifying career interests, exploring options, and landing internships, jobs, or spots in graduate school. If you cannot attend the program, slides will be posted at career.cornell.edu/resources/media/ after August 21.

1:00 pm–4:30 pm ● Explore Cornell’s Campus Gorges ● Martin Y. Tang Welcome Center
Cornell’s campus is known for its natural beauty. Join Cornell Botanic Gardens staff members, graduate students, and professors on a scenic walk into Fall Creek Gorge. Come to relax, meet new people, and get some exercise. Hikes leave every 30 minutes, on the hour and half hour. Last hike leaves at 3:30 pm.

1:00 pm–3:00 pm ● Sibling Orientation ● CKB Quad
Calling all siblings of new Cornell students—it’s your turn to join in the Cornell fun! Come out for an afternoon of games, activities, and fun in the sun. Recommended for siblings ages 6 through 14.

1:30 pm–2:30 pm ● What You and Your Student Need to Know About Housing and Dining ● 218 Robert Purcell Community Center
This session will outline important dates, information, and resources pertaining to housing/dining for the first year and beyond.

2:00 pm–3:00 pm ● Get Started with Library Research @ Cornell ● Uris Library Classroom
Learn how your student can get the most out of Cornell’s Library with a one-hour, hands-on session. This introduction includes finding authoritative full-text articles, searching the library catalog, and locating print materials that aren’t online.

2:00 pm–3:00 pm ● Nature Is for Everyone: An Accessible Nature Walk ● F. R. Newman Arboretum, off Caldwell Drive
Research supports the belief that all people benefit from time spent in nature. At Cornell, we believe that the natural wonders of the campus should be made as accessible as possible. Join us for a fully accessible tour around Houston Pond in the F. R. Newman Arboretum, followed by light snacks and beverages. Meet by the ponds and Sculpture Garden in the central part of the arboretum, off Caldwell Drive. You will need to drive to the arboretum for this walk; parking is available on site. Co-sponsored by Cornell Botanic Gardens and Nature Rx@Cornell.
2:00 pm–2:45 pm ● Walking Tours of Olin, Kroch, and Uris Libraries ● Uris Library, upper lobby

Home to the social sciences and humanities collections and the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, these three libraries contain rich resources for the entire Cornell community (Does not include tour of Rare and Manuscript Collections). Start in Uris Library’s upper lobby; tours run 40 to 60 minutes.

3:00 pm–4:00 pm ● Meeting with Lee Laoshi ● Wendy Purcell Lounge, 203 Robert Purcell Community Center

Frances Yufen Lee Mehta will host this meeting for students and parents. Find out about the dynamic activities of the Asian community at Cornell. Frances Yufen Lee Mehta is a faculty member in the Department of Asian Studies and a faculty fellow in the High Rises.

3:00 pm–4:00 pm ● Tatkon Center Parent Panel ● 3330 Tatkon Center

The Carol Tatkon Center is a support and resource center for new students. In this session, Tatkon Center upper-level student staff members will discuss all things Cornell, from academics to student and campus life to living in Ithaca. Learn about what the center can offer your student.

3:30 pm–4:30 pm ● Get Started with Library Research @ Cornell ● Uris Library Classroom

Learn how your student can get the most out of Cornell’s Library with a one-hour, hands-on session. This introduction includes finding authoritative full-text articles, searching the library catalog, and locating print materials that aren’t online.

4:00 pm–5:00 pm ● Cornell Botanic Gardens Tour ● Nevin Welcome Center, Plantations Road

Enjoy a relaxing guided tour through the Botanic Gardens and discover the beauty and diversity of their numerous themed plant collections. This one-hour tour will highlight the Tropical Container Display, Robison Herb Garden, Young Flower Garden, Groundcover Collection, and more.

4:00 pm–4:45 pm ● Walking Tours of Olin, Kroch, and Uris Libraries ● Uris Library, upper lobby

Home to the social sciences and humanities collections and the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, these three libraries contain rich resources for the entire Cornell community (Does not include tour of Rare and Manuscript Collections). Start in Uris Library’s upper lobby; tours run 40 to 60 minutes.

4:45 pm–5:45 pm ● Choral Showcase, Cornell University Chorus and Glee Club ● Sage Chapel

COLLEGE-SPONSORED ORIENTATION EVENTS

AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

10:30 am–11:30 am • Dean’s Welcome and Information Session for Transfer Students and Their Families • Call Alumni Auditorium, Kennedy Hall, 1st floor
Be sure to arrive early to secure a seat and enjoy a pre-session conversation with special guests beginning at 10:15 am.

11:00 am–noon • Dean’s Welcome and Information Session for First-Year Students and Their Families • Bailey Hall
Be sure to arrive early to secure a seat and enjoy a pre-session conversation with special guests beginning at 10:45 am.

ARCHITECTURE, ART, AND PLANNING

10:30 am–noon • Architecture, Art, and Planning (AAP) Convocation and Reception • Abby and Howard Milstein Auditorium, Milstein Hall
Join the college for this welcome event for new undergraduate students and their families. Meet the academic leadership, faculty and staff members, as well as other new AAP students.

ARTS AND SCIENCES

10:30 am–11:15 am • Arts and Sciences (A&S) Dean’s Convocation • Tent on the Arts Quad
New A&S students and their families will be welcomed by Professor Rachel Bean, Senior Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education.

1:00 pm–2:30 pm • Arts and Sciences Parents’ Briefing • Tent on the Arts Quad
Arts & Sciences staff members, faculty, and current students will provide an overview of the A&S experience and describe how parents can best support their student.

ENGINEERING

10:30 am–noon • Dean’s Welcome for Engineering Students and Families • Barton Hall
After a short welcome, first-year and transfer students will be escorted to their academic briefing sites from Barton Hall. Families will stay for their own briefing on the undergraduate program with ample time for questions.

1:30 pm–3:00 pm • Engineering Dessert Reception and Major Information Fair • Duffield Hall Atrium
Enjoy dessert and conversation with college administrators, faculty and staff members, and students. Gather information about the undergraduate majors, co-curricular opportunities, and college resources available to undergraduate Engineering students. Come and go as you please.
HUMAN ECOLOGY
1:00 pm–3:00 pm ● Human Ecology (CHE) Dean’s Welcome ● Call Alumni
Auditorium, Kennedy Hall, 1st floor
Join the college for this welcome event for new students and families hosted by Rachel Dunifon, dean of the College of Human Ecology.

2:00 pm–3:00 pm ● CHE Parents’ Department Meetings ● Locations available at Dean’s Welcome

SC JOHNSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS – DYSON SCHOOL
10:30 am–11:30 am ● Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management Dean’s Welcome ● Friedman Wrestling Center
The administration, current students, and faculty of the Dyson School will welcome all first-year and transfer students and their families. You will have the opportunity to learn more about the transition process and expectations of the Dyson School.

SC JOHNSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS – HOTEL ADMINISTRATION
10:30 am ● Hotel School Dean’s Welcome ● Statler Auditorium, Statler Hall
Dean Kate Walsh, executive leadership, and faculty members welcome all new Hotel School students and family members. This event will provide an overview of the Hotel School curriculum and academic expectations, as well as an opportunity for new students to hear from upper-level students about their experiences and opportunities at the Hotel School and Cornell University.

11:30 am–12:15 pm: For Families and Parents: Information Session ● Statler Auditorium, Statler Hall
Learn how to best support your student through the critical first year of college while new students join faculty and upperclassmen in breakout sessions in Statler Hall.

12:15 pm–1:15 pm: Lunch Reception for Families and New Students ● Beck Center Park Atrium, Statler Hall
FIRST-YEAR FAMILY WEEKEND
OCTOBER 19–21, 2018

Visit on First-Year Family Weekend when Cornell University and the Ithaca community open their doors to the families of first-year and transfer students. Family Weekend helps Cornell families learn how to support their students and provides an opportunity to explore the campus and the local community. Join us to share students’ experiences and learn about Cornell’s academics and student life.

REGISTRATION: Online in September 2018. All participants must register for the weekend.

ACCOMMODATIONS: visitithaca.com. We recommend you make overnight accommodations as soon as possible.

FYFW INFO: ccengagement.cornell.edu/families