2020 University-wide Orientation

August 17, 2020
3-5 p.m.
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Where Can You Find More Information?

• Learn who your ombudsperson is: provost.pitt.edu/school-ombuds
  • To learn more about the role of an ombudsperson, attend or watch the orientation breakout session beginning at 4:15.

• Graduate Student Resources: gradstudents.pitt.edu

• Graduate News, Policies, and Events: provost.pitt.edu/students/graduate-studies
Where Can You Find More Information?

• Amanda J. Godley, Vice Provost for Graduate Studies
  • Come meet Dr. Godley during her monthly virtual office hours
    • Find the schedule and Zoom access info at: provost.pitt.edu/students/graduate-studies
  • Watch your email for Dr. Godley’s monthly newsletter.
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• Visit our website for today’s agenda and plenty of other resources.

• provost.pitt.edu/graduate-professional-student-orientation

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Welcome International Students!

Whether you are in Pittsburgh or learning remotely, the University of Pittsburgh welcomes you!

Find ways to connect and more at ois.pitt.edu.

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Your Mental & Physical Wellness Is a Top Priority!

• Be sure to bookmark the Wellness Resources guide designed specifically for graduate and professional students.

• Find it at gradstudents.pitt.edu/healthwellness.

• Or download at Pi.tt/GradProfWellness.
Get Accustomed to Your New City

Cool Pittsburgh

coolpgh.pitt.edu
Hail to Pitt!

• Proudly represent your grad school experience by using these Pitt-branded Zoom backgrounds during virtual meetings, classes, and online visits with friends!

• Download your favorites at Pi.tt/backgrounds.
Build Your Graduate Community

• Pitt Commons is an online platform designed exclusively for members of the Pitt community.

• The platform allows students, faculty, staff, alumni, postdocs, and friends of the University of Pittsburgh to establish networking and mentoring relationships that are meaningful and specific to their unique interests and professional goals.

commons.pitt.edu

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Build Your Graduate Community

As a member of Pitt Commons, you can:

• Build your professional network and cultivate meaningful connections
• Get a career mentor
• Join groups based on common interests
• Ask questions or provide guidance on discussion boards
• Explore career and networking resources

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Stay Informed on COVID-19 and the University’s Operational Postures

• Watch for frequent updates — just one click away from the Pitt home page at pitt.edu!

• Or go directly to coronavirus.pitt.edu.

• Additional information specific to graduate and professional students is available at Pi.tt/GradPostdocResources.
# Pitt’s Operational Postures

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| **Guarded Risk** | • Most instruction is in person, except large lectures  
• Housing open with virus mitigation and isolation interventions in place  
• Shared spaces open  
• Gatherings capped at 250 people | • Work from home encouraged whenever possible  
• Those who need to support permitted activities allowed on campus  
• Research staff on campus based on principal investigator determination |
| **Elevated Risk** | • Instruction primarily virtual some in-person learning occurring  
• Housing open with virus mitigation and isolation interventions in place  
• Some shared spaces open  
• Gatherings capped at 25 people | • Work from home encouraged whenever possible  
• Those who need to support permitted activities allowed on campus  
• Virtual work encouraged for research personnel; some permitted on campus |
| **High Risk** | • Instruction nearly all virtual, except select clinics and labs  
• Housing open with virus mitigation and isolation interventions in place  
• Shared spaces open only to support on-campus students and staff  
• Campus life activities not permitted | • Work from home encouraged whenever possible  
• Those who need to support permitted activities allowed on campus  
• Research as permitted by senior leadership |

Face coverings required on campus. Physical distancing is necessary, with a minimum of six feet between you and others when possible.

“I’m doing my part to keep the Pitt community safe.”

coronavirus.pitt.edu
Flex@Pitt under Guarded Posture

Classroom Experiences

- Some students are in person (by choice).
- Some students are remote (either by choice or due to rotating).
- Instructors are either in person or remote (by choice).
- Asynchronous engagement is also possible (allowing students to access course materials on their own time).
Serving as a Teaching Assistant?

- Find the Flex@Pitt Playbook at teaching.pitt.edu.
- And the Graduate Student Teaching Initiative and TA Handbook at teaching.pitt.edu/graduate-student-teaching.

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Academic Year 20-21 Is the Year of Engagement

• Now more than ever we need to stay engaged.

• The Year of Engagement will further encourage us to engage with each other—whether civic, community, or campus—allows us to create new possibilities for humanity, for fellowship, and for innovation and discovery.

• Learn more at provost.pitt.edu/priorities/year-pitt.
Twitter Contest

• Enter to win a $100 gift card to the University Store!
• Post a photo to Twitter highlighting the start of your Pitt journey—get creative!
• Follow @PittGradStudies and tag @PittGradStudies on your photo by 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 18.
• Two winners will be chosen: the first at random, the second the student with the most “likes” on their posted photo.
• Winners will be announced via the @PittGradStudies on Twitter. We will also direct message (DM) the winners’ accounts so they can claim their prizes.
Welcome to Pitt!