NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
2015 SCHEDULE

Student attendance at all campus events listed in **BLACK BOLD** lettering on the Orientation Schedule is expected.

**Sunday, September 20**

8:00 am-1:00 pm  BURSAR’S OFFICE OPEN - 1st Floor Center for Student Services
8:00 am-2:00 pm  RED DOOR CAFÉ OPEN
9:00 am-1:00 pm  **GENERAL CHECK-IN & MOVE IN** - Center for Student Services
9:00 am-1:00 pm  **REGISTRAR’S OFFICE OPEN** - 1st Floor Center for Student Services
                       (The Director of Financial Aid will be available in the Registrar’s Office for questions)
9:00 am-2:00 pm  HOUSING OFFICE OPEN - 1st Floor Center for Student Services
9:00 am-2:30 pm  CALTECH STORE OPEN
10:00 am-2:00 pm  CHANDLER CAFÉ OPEN
11:00 am-1:00 pm  SHIPPING AND RECEIVING OFFICE OPEN
2:30 pm  **STUDENT AFFAIRS PANEL & RECEPTION FOR PARENTS**
                  *Ramo Auditorium & Dabney Garden*
4:00 pm  **CLASS PICTURE** - Parsons-Gates (front steps)
4:30 pm  **CONVOCATION** - Beckman Auditorium
5:45 pm  **WELCOME MEETING WITH THE DEANS** - Beckman Auditorium
6:15 pm - 8:30 pm  **PRESIDENT’S PICNIC** - President’s House-415 S. Hill Ave
6:15 pm  **PARENT RECEPTION** - Beckman Lawn
                  *Sponsored by the Caltech Parents Program*
9:30 pm  **DESSERT WITH YOUR RESIDENT ASSOCIATES**
                  *Meet in House Lounges*

**Monday, September 21**

9:00-10:30 am  **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** - Athenaeum Lawn
10:30 am  **MEET WITH FCC & PICK UP BOX LUNCH** - Athenaeum Lawn
                  *(Bring luggage for Ventura with you.)*
10:45 am  **BUS LEAVE FOR MARRIOTT, VENTURA BEACH**
                  *Corner of Hill Ave. & San Pasqual Blvd*
                  **Please check in with FCC before boarding bus**
Marriott, Ventura Beach Schedule

Student attendance at all programs is expected, unless labeled optional.

Monday, September 21-continued

1:30 pm  INTRODUCTION TO CAMP
Costa De Oro Ballroom

WELCOME: Joseph E. Shepherd, Vice President for Student Affairs
C. L. "Kelly" Johnson Professor of Aeronautics and Professor of Mechanical Engineering

Nima Badizadegan, ASCIT President

DIRECTIONS FOR DESIGN CONTEST
Kit Chinetti & Carly Robison

2:00 pm  PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS
Honor System  Challenges & Choices  Study Habits at Caltech
Costa De Oro  Las Brisas  Costa De Oro
Ballroom  Ballroom  Salon III
Countries A-B  Countries C-G  Countries I-U

4:00 pm  OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Work on Design Projects – meet at swimming pool
- Geology Hike with Professor Eiler- meet in hotel lobby
- Beach activities (bicycle rentals, volleyball etc.)
- Swimming Pool & Ocean until 6:00 pm
- Board Games available at front desk

6:00 pm  DINNER - Atrium Mezzanine

7:00 pm  MEET THE RESIDENCE LIFE STAFF - Costa De Oro Ballroom

ROTATION INFORMATION - Costa De Oro Ballroom
Cat Jamshidi, IHC Chair, Margaret Lee, IHC Secretary, & House Presidents

8:00 pm  SCIENCE PRESENTATION - Costa De Oro Ballroom
Dennis Kochmann, Assistant Professor of Aerospace
"Of atoms and the Eiffel Tower: from the architecture of materials to architected materials"

9:15 pm  CAMPFIRE WITH S’MORES (optional) – State Park BBQ Area

Tuesday, September 22

8:00 am  BREAKFAST – Atrium Mezzanine

9:00 am  PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS
Honor System  Challenges & Choices  Study Habits at Caltech
Costa De Oro  Las Brisas  Costa De Oro
Ballroom  Ballroom  Salon III
Countries C-G  Countries I-U  Countries A-B

11:00 am  FIRST YEAR COURSES – Costa De Oro Ballroom

12:30 pm  LUNCH - Atrium Mezzanine

1:30 pm  PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS
Honor System  Challenges & Choices  Study Habits at Caltech
Costa De Oro  Las Brisas  Costa De Oro
Ballroom  Ballroom  Salon III
Countries I-U  Countries A-B  Countries C-G
Tuesday, September 22 - continued

3:30 pm  SNACK - Atrium Mezzanine
3:30 pm  OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
           Work on Design Projects
           Beach activities (bicycle rentals, volleyball etc.)
           Board Games available at front desk
           Swimming Pool until 4:00 pm; Ocean until 6:00 pm
5:30 pm  DESIGN CONTEST - Swimming Pool
6:30 pm  DINNER - Atrium Mezzanine
7:15 pm  GREETINGS FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT- Costa De Oro Ballroom
           Lee Fisher (BS ’78, Ruddock House)
7:30 pm  LIVING & LEARNING IN A DIVERSE COMMUNITY - Costa De Oro Ballroom
           Video followed by Portrait of the Class of 2019
7:30 pm  EREV YOM KIPPUR SERVICE – Baja Board Room
9:00 pm  DANCE LESSONS (optional) – Las Brisas Ballroom
9:30 pm  DANCE (optional) – Las Brisas Ballroom
           Snacks available at Dance

Wednesday, September 23

Please check out and bring luggage to Las Brisas Ballroom before 10:00 am
8:30-10:00 am  BREAKFAST - Atrium Mezzanine
               OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES UNTIL 10:00 am
8:30 – 9:00 am  MORNING MINDFULNESS MEDITATION (optional)
               Start your morning off right with half an hour of guided mindfulness meditation! It’s a great
               way to be more connected to the present moment. There’s no religious component, and
               everyone is welcome, from newbies on up. This session is facilitated by Lee Coleman from the
               counseling center.
10:30 am  BUSES LEAVE FOR CALTECH
           Please pick up luggage & check in with FCC before boarding the bus.

Campus Orientation Schedule
Attendance at events listed in BLACK BOLD lettering on the Campus Orientation Schedule is expected
12:15 pm  APPROXIMATE TIME OF ARRIVAL TO CALTECH
12:30 pm  LUNCH – Chandler Café – Wear your nametag
1:30 pm  TAKING CARE OF YOUR HEALTH NEEDS - Baxter Lecture Hall
           Meet the Staff from the Counseling and Health Centers
2:00 pm  START RIGHT AT CALTECH: FIND WHAT YOU NEED IN THE LIBRARY! - Gates 22
           University Librarian Kristin Antelman will welcome you and review what you’ll find most useful
           about the five campus libraries. Give your Caltech experience a powerful start by getting
           acquainted with the facilities and services in Caltech’s research libraries. Learn how to make the
           Libraries work for you!
**Wednesday, September 23 - continued**

2:00 pm  BURSAR'S OFFICE BILLAPALOOZA – Avery Library  
Come join us for snacks, prizes, and fun! The Bursar’s Office will host a fun Jeopardy style group game developed to share information about the Bursar’s Office and student accounts

2:45 pm  INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTING RESOURCES AT CALTECH - 119 Kerckhoff  
Come learn how to:  
- Register and protect your computer before connecting it to the network  
- Access your email account and tune your anti-spam settings  
- Connect to the wired and wireless Caltech network  
- Download site-licensed software for Caltech students for free

3:30 pm  GROUP DISCUSSIONS: LIVING & LEARNING IN A DIVERSE COMMUNITY  
Faculty & Staff will lead discussions on *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, the video “Living and Learning in a Diverse Community,” and the “Portrait of the Class of 2019.” Locations TBA

5:00 pm  ROTATION DINNER A*

10:00 pm  ROTATION DESSERT 1*

**Thursday, September 24**

8:30 am  BREAKFAST WITH FACULTY ADVISORS  
Dabney Lounge & Garden (Group 1)

8:30 am  SAFETY, SECURITY, SUSTAINABILITY, HOUSING & DINING  
Avery Dining Room & Courtyard (Group 2)  
Learn about these important aspects of campus life while having breakfast with campus safety, security & sustainability officers, and housing staff.

10:15 am  OPTION TALKS WITH FACULTY – Ramo Auditorium  
Learn more about the various majors available at Caltech

12:00 pm  LUNCH - Dabney Garden

1:00-4:00 pm  SPEAK UP, CALTECH! *It’s On Us.* – Ramo Auditorium  
Join us for an interactive conversation about healthy relationships, consent, safer sex, and sexual assault prevention—It’s On Us to create a safe & supportive Caltech

4:00-5:00 pm  SCAVENGER HUNT – House Courtyards  
Get to know the campus during this fun event

5:00 pm  ROTATION DINNER B *

10:00 pm  ROTATION DESSERT 2*

**Friday, September 25**

8:30 am  BREAKFAST WITH FACULTY ADVISORS - Dabney Lounge and Garden (Group 2)

8:30 am  SAFETY, SECURITY, SUSTAINABILITY, HOUSING AND DINING  
Avery Dining Room & courtyard (Group 1)  
Learn about these important aspects of campus life while having breakfast with campus safety, security & sustainability officers, and housing staff.

10:00 am  HOW TO SUCCEED AT CALTECH – Baxter Lecture Hall  
ASCIT’s Academic and Research Committee

*Check the Tech for the rotation schedule (house dinner times vary 5:00-6:45)
**Friday, September 25**

11:00 am  WHAT YOU CAN DO THIS FALL TO PREPARE FOR A SURF NEXT SUMMER-153 Noyes

12:00 noon  LUNCH - Tom Mannion’s Backyard - 400 S. Hill Avenue

12:00 noon  LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER & QUESTIONING (LGBTQ) LUNCHEON
   Avery Dining Room - Enjoy an informal lunch, meet members of the LGBTQ community and allies, and learn about resources on campus.

1:30 pm  INTRODUCTION TO STUDY ABROAD – 153 Noyes

2:30 pm  PREPARING FOR GRADUATE TRAINING IN THE MEDICAL & HEALTH PROFESSIONS: HOW TO PLAN WISELY AND ENJOY YOUR UNDERGRADUATE EXPERIENCE – Caltech Career Development Center – 3rd floor Center for Student Services

2:30-5 pm  PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS OPEN HOUSE – Music House 305 South Hill Avenue

3:30-5 pm  CALTECH RESOURCE FAIR – Olive Walk

5:00 pm  ROTATION DINNER C *

10:00 pm  ROTATION DESSERT 3 *

**Saturday, September 26**

9:30 -noon  RED DOOR CAFÉ Open

11:00 am  CONSTRUCTION TRAINING – Grassy Area South of Winnett

1:00 pm  ROTATION “DINNER” D*

2:30 pm  CONSTRUCTION TRAINING – Grassy Area South of Winnett

4:00 pm  HOME GAME - MEN’S SOCCER VS OCCIDENTAL - Soccer Field

5:00 pm  ROTATION DINNER E *

10:00 pm  ROTATION DESSERT 4 *

**Sunday, September 27**

1:00 pm  ROTATION “DINNER” F*

2:30- 7:30 pm  ALL SCHOOL CARNIVAL AND FIREWORKS – Beckman Auditorium Lawn
   Celebrate the beginning of the academic year with games, snacks, dinner, and fun activities. The carnival will conclude with the showing of the film “Jurassic World” and spectacular fireworks.

Post carnival  ROTATION DESSERT 5*

**Monday, September 28**

**CLASSES BEGIN**

5:00 pm  ROTATION DINNER G *

10:00 pm  STUDY BREAK 6*

*Check the Tech for the rotation schedule (house dinner times may vary)
Tuesday September 29
5:00 pm    ROTATION DINNER H*
10:00 pm   STUDY BREAK 7*

Wednesday, September 30
5:00 pm    HOUSE DINNER
10:00 pm   STUDY BREAK 8*

Thursday October 1
5:00 pm    HOUSE DINNER

Friday, October 2
5:00 - 7:00 pm    FRESHMAN DINNER – Tom Mannion’s Backyard - 400 S. Hill Avenue
9:00 pm    ASCIT End of Rotation Party – Location TBD

Saturday, October 3
10:00 am - 4:00 pm ORIENTATION TRIPS (OPTIONAL)
Buses and vans depart from the Center for Student Services at: 414 S. Holliston Avenue at 10 am

COMMUNITY SERVICE TRIP – Departs 10 am
Don’t mind getting your hands dirty for a good cause? Start the year with the Caltech Y on a Community Service Orientation Trip in the local area. This trip offers a great way to make a positive impact and have fun at the same time. Transportation, lunch and equipment are provided.

KNOTT’S BERRY FARM – Departs 9 am
What was once an actual berry farm is now 160 acres of world class rides, unique family shows and one of a kind attractions. Experience GhostRider, the world’s best wooden roller coaster, Supreme Scream, 30-stories up, 3 seconds down and the high-octane thrill of Xcelerator, rated the world’s best launch coaster. For a different type of thrill, stroll on over to Camp Snoopy, home to the beloved “Peanuts” gang. Cost $34 (Lunch is not included)

HIKE IN THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS – Departs 10 am
Hike in the Hollywood Hills from the famous Griffith Park Observatory to the Hollywood Sign and back. Lunch served at Caltech alum’s house under the Hollywood sign. (The house was formerly owned by Aldous Huxley). It is recommended that you wear good shoes and comfortable clothing. Don’t forget sunscreen! Cost $13

SEA KAYAKING/BEACH TRIP – Departs 10 am
Join our group heading to the beach for some fun in the sun including two hours of sea kayaking in the Harbor as well as time to relax and enjoy the beach. All students must be able to swim unassisted in deep water to participate in the kayaking. Transportation, lunch and kayak rentals are included. Bring your own sun-block, hat, towel, and shades. Coordinated by the Caltech Y. Cost $18

EXPLORE LOS ANGELES – Departs 10 am
We will begin by taking the Metro from Pasadena to Union Station in Los Angeles. From there you will have the opportunity to visit China Town, Olvera Street, Hollywood, Universal Studios and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. A Metro day pass will be provided. However, you may want to sample the wonderful food or do a little shopping, so you may want to bring some extra spending money. Recommended items include a camera and walking shoes. Cost $7 (Lunch is not included.)

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Saturday, October 3 - continued
10:00 am - 4:00 pm ORIENTATION TRIPS (OPTIONAL) – continued
ON CAMPUS AND WALKING OPTIONS

THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY, ART COLLECTIONS AND BOTANICAL GARDENS — walk over on your own anytime between 10:30 am and 4:00 pm
The Huntington Library is a collections-based educational and research institution established by Henry E. Huntington and located in San Marino, California. In addition to the library, the institution houses an extensive art collection with a focus in 18th- and 19th-century European art and 17th- to mid-20th-century American art. The property also includes approximately 120 acres of specialized botanical gardens, most notably the Japanese Garden, the Desert Garden, and the Chinese Garden. Cost: $19 with student ID (Pay admission when you arrive) – easy walking distance from Caltech. (Lunch is not included.)

CALTECH POOLS OPEN 10:00 am – 7:30 pm
BRAUN GYM OPEN 8:00 am – 8:00 pm

5:00 pm HOUSE ASSIGNMENTS ANNOUNCED

Sunday, October 4

ALL DAY FRESHMEN MOVE INTO PERMANENT HOUSING ASSIGNMENT
8:00 pm HOUSE MEETING WITH RESIDENT ASSOCIATE - House Lounges

Week of October 4 - House meetings on Emergency Response

Tuesday, October 6

5:00-9:00 pm CALTECH Y CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
Join us as we celebrate the 100th year of the Caltech Y – making a world of difference on the Caltech campus and beyond. The Caltech Y was founded as a student organization focused on leadership and self-discovery during the 1915-1916 academic year. Today’s Caltech Y seeks to broaden student world views and challenges students to be engaged citizens of the world. The festivities will feature:

An All Campus Dinner and Concert – Beckman Mall
The PHD Movie 2: Still in Grad School - Beckman Auditorium
A special screening of the film and Q&A with writer Jorge Cham, Director Iram Bilal, plus members of the cast and crew!

The PHD Movie 2 - “Piled Higher and Deeper: Still in Grad School” is the sequel to the film adaptation of the popular comic strip “Piled Higher and Deeper” by Jorge Cham. Like the comics and the first movie, the film takes a smart and humorous look at the world of Academia through the eyes of four grad students, and features real academics (including a Nobel Prize winner!) in many of the roles. Visit www.phdcomics.com/movie to watch the trailer and check out lots of behind the scenes footage and information.

Wednesday, October 7

4:30-7 pm CLUB FAIR – Winnett Lawn