



## Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

### 2026 GSBS New Student Orientation (NSO) Agenda

#### Monday, August 24

*All events to be held in Onstead Auditorium, BSRB 3<sup>rd</sup> floor - S3.8012, unless otherwise noted.*

*\*The finance team will notify students which Finance session they are required to attend (A or B).*

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| 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.   | Breakfast & Check-In                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.  | Welcome and Introductions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:50 p.m. | Academic Overview - ALL <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PhD Breakout – Onstead AUD [BSRB S3.8012]</li><li>• MS Breakout – Gallick Classroom [BSRB S3.8367]</li></ul>                                                                                                              |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.   | Choosing a Mentor Panel Discussion ( <b>PhD Students</b> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PhD Students – Onstead AUD [BSRB S3.8012]</li></ul><br>MS Student Panel ( <b>MS Students</b> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MS - Gallick Classroom [BSRB S3.8367]</li></ul> |
| 2:00 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.   | Finance Group A*                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.   | Office of International Affairs (OIA)<br>[All international students are required to attend the OIA session]                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.   | HR I-9 Forms<br>[International Students in Group A] [Computer Lab – S3.8112 BSRB]                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

**END OF PROGRAM**



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#### **Tuesday, August 25**

*Breakfast & Check – In (BSRB 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor– Large Classroom)- Remainder of events to be held in McGovern Medical School MSB 3.001 (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Auditorium] unless otherwise noted.*

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| 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.   | Breakfast & Check-In [BSRB Large Classroom]                                               |
| 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.   | Walk over to McGovern Medical School<br>[MSB 3.001 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Auditorium]     |
| 9:15 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.  | Presidents' Research Scholars Symposium                                                   |
| 10:50 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | BREAK                                                                                     |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 p.m. | Program Session – Neuroscience                                                            |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | Lunch (MSB 5.001)                                                                         |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.   | Program Session – Microbiology & Infectious Diseases (MID)                                |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.   | Program Session – Molecular & Translational Biology (MTB)                                 |
| 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.   | Finance Group B* [McGovern – MSB B603]<br>Career Development PhD/MD [McGovern – MSB B605] |

**END OF PROGRAM**



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#### **Wednesday, August 26**

*All events to be held in Onstead Auditorium, BSRB 3<sup>rd</sup> floor - S3.8012 unless otherwise noted. The finance team will notify students which Finance session they are required to attend (A or B).*

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| 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.   | Breakfast & Check-In                                |
| 9:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.  | Mentoring up                                        |
| 10:50 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | BREAK                                               |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 p.m. | Program Session – Cancer Biology                    |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | Lunch                                               |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.   | Program Session – Therapeutics & Pharmacology (TAP) |
| 1:50 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.   | BREAK                                               |
| 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.   | Benefits                                            |
| 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.   | Registration Assistance*                            |

\*[Optional; for students who have questions/issues registering for courses. Students attending this session should bring their laptop]

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#### **Thursday, August 27**

*All events to be held in Onstead Auditorium, BSRB 3<sup>rd</sup> floor - S3.8012 unless otherwise noted.*

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| 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.   | Light Breakfast & Check-In                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 9:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.  | Career Development – ALL <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PhD - Onstead AUD [BSRB S3.8012]</li><li>• MS - Gallick Classroom [BSRB S3.8367]</li></ul>                                                                                                                   |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. | Program Session – Quantitative Sciences (QS)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.   | Student Wellness/Building Resilience and Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ UTHealth Houston Student Health and Counseling</li><li>○ UTHealth Houston Employee Assistance Program</li><li>○ UT MD Anderson Cancer Center Employee Assistance Program</li></ul> |

**END OF PROGRAM**



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#### **Friday, August 28**

*All events to be held in Onstead Auditorium, BSRB 3<sup>rd</sup> floor - S3.8012 unless otherwise noted. FAC will be held in Onstead Forum.*

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| 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Light Breakfast & Check-In                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m. | Program Session – Genetics & Epigenetics (G&E)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.   | Program Session – Immunology                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.   | Title IX                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.   | Graduate Student Association (GSA) Grad School & Houston                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3:45 p.m. – 4:25 p.m.   | Students Organizations Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Graduate Student Association (GSA)</li><li>• Student InterCouncil (SIC)</li><li>• Association of Minority Biomedical Researchers (AMBR)</li><li>• Association of Science Communication (ASC)</li><li>• Community Outreach Program (Outreach)</li><li>• International Student Association (ISA)</li><li>• First-Generation Student Group (First-Gen)</li><li>• LGBTQ+ Student Alliance (LGBTQ+SA)</li></ul> |
| 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.   | Peer Mentors [GSBS Large Classroom, BSRB S3.8371]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.   | Orientation Social/Friday Afternoon Club [Onstead Forum]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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