



2025 GSBS New Student Orientation (NSO) Agenda

Monday, August 18

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

8:30 a.m 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast & Check-In
9:00 a.m 10:30 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	BREAK
10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Academic Overview PhD Breakout – Room TBD MS Breakout – Room TBD
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Finance Group A*
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Office of International Affairs (OIA) [All international students are required to attend the OIA session]
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	HR I-9 Forms [International Students in Group A] [Computer Lab – S3.8112 BSRB]



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Tuesday, August 19

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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)
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Career Development – ALL
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Career Development Breakout PhD - AUD MS - TBD PhD/MD – TBD
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Finance Group B*



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Wednesday, August 20

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

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 [MSB 3.001 (3 rd 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
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.	Benefits



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Thursday, August 21

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9:00 a.m 9:30 a.m.	Light Breakfast & Check-In	
9:30 a.m 10:00 a.m.	Title IX	
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Intruder Training	
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. – 2:00 p.m.	Choosing a Mentor Panel Discussion (PhD Students) MS Student Panel (MS Students)	
PhD Students – AUD MS Students - TBD		
2:00 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.	Student Wellness/Building Resilience and Community	
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration Assistance*	
*[Optional; for students who have questions/issues registering for courses]		

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Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Friday, August 22

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10:30 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Light Breakfast & Check-In
11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	Program Session – Immunology
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Program Session – Genetics & Epigenetics (G&E)
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Graduate Student Association (GSA) Grad School & Houston
3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	 Students Organizations Overview Graduate Student Association (GSA) Student InterCouncil (SIC) Association of Minority Biomedical Researchers (AMBR) Association of Science Communication (ASC) Community Outreach Program (Outreach) International Student Association (ISA) First-Generation Student Group (First-Gen) LGBTQ+ Student Alliance (LGBTQ+SA)
4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Break
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Peer Mentors [GSBS Large Classroom, S3.8371 BSRB]
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Orientation Social/Friday Afternoon Club [Onstead Forum]