



Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

2026 GSBS Genetic Counseling Program New Student Orientation (NSO) Agenda

Thursday, August 20

LOCATION: McGovern Medical School - Room MSB.635

9:00am – 9:15am	Check-In/Introductions
9:15am – 10:00am	Genetic Counseling Handbook - Part I
10:00am – 11:00am	Information Technology (IT)
11:00am – 11:45am	Finance Session
12:00pm-12:30pm	Lunch
12:30pm – 2:30pm	Genetic Counseling Handbook - Part II
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Rotation Documentation & Preparation
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Wrap-up/Questions/Follow-Up

END OF PROGRAM

Friday, August 21

LOCATION: McGovern Medical School - Room MSB.603

10:00am – 11:00am	Intro to GC Workshop
12:00pm-1:00pm	Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Prenatal Workshop
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Psychosocial Workshop

END OF PROGRAM



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Monday, August 24

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

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
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Office of International Affairs (OIA)* [All international students are required to attend the OIA session]

*Required for International Students only

END OF PROGRAM

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Tuesday, August 25

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
11:00am – 1:00pm	Intro to Genetic Testing Workshop {Room MSB B.603}
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Intro to Embryology Workshop {Room MSB B.603}

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Wednesday, August 26

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

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Breakfast & Check-In

9:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. Mentoring up

END OF PROGRAM

2026 GSBS New Student Orientation (NSO) Agenda

Thursday, August 27

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

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. Student Wellness/Building Resilience and Community

END OF PROGRAM



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Friday, August 28

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

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 • 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)
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	BREAK
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Orientation Social/Friday Afternoon Club [Onstead Forum]

END OF PROGRAM