

Transfer/Graduate Orientation Frequently Asked Questions

Things to Do Before Orientation:

- ✓ RSVP to attend the on-campus orientation by visiting:
 - www.govst.edu/TransferOrientation (for undergraduate students)
 - www.govst.edu/GraduateOrientation (for graduate students)
- ✓ Check your GSU student email for your confirmation and updates
- ✓ Meet with your Academic Advisor to complete a student study plan
- ✓ Register for classes
- ✓ Familiarize yourself with the MyGSU Portal, visit <https://mygsu.govst.edu>

• **Is Orientation required?**

Yes, for transfer students enrolled on the main campus, participation in orientation is required; for distance education, online and graduate students, participation is recommended but not required. Our two-hour orientation will allow you to engage with our talented and energetic Orientation Leaders, who will guide you in your transition to GSU. You'll also have an opportunity to interact with other transfer students, academic advisors, faculty members and administrators. This will be a great chance for you to discover exciting opportunities to become involved in student organizations, volunteer opportunities, support services and many enriching activities offered to GSU students.

• **When is orientation for transfer/graduate students?** Since participation for transfers is required, we offer a wide selection of dates and times over the summer, please visit www.govst.edu/TransferOrientation to register to attend. Transfer Orientations are scheduled at the following dates and times:

- Thursday, May 10, 2-4pm
- Wednesday, May 23, 5-7pm
- Wednesday, June 6, 2-4pm
- Wednesday, June 20, 10am-12noon
- Wednesday, July 18, 5-7pm
- Wednesday, July 25, 2-4pm
- Wednesday, August 1, 5-7pm
- Wednesday, August 8, 2-4pm
- Wednesday, August 15, 2-4pm
- Friday, August 17, 10am-12noon
- Wednesday, August 22, 2-4pm

As noted above, Graduate Orientation sessions will be held on May 10 and August 22, graduate students will have dedicated time with our Dean of Graduate Studies and meet with representatives from GSU's Graduate Professional Network.

• **How do I get there?**

Orientation will begin with check-in 30 minutes before the scheduled start time in the Hall of Governors. Visit www.govst.edu/directions for directions to campus.

- **What is on the agenda?**
Participation in our two-hour orientation program will provide you with information about university resources, and an opportunity to meet with future classmates, faculty members and university administrators. Additionally, graduate students will have dedicated time with our Dean of Graduate Studies and meet with representatives from GSU's Graduate Professional Network.
- **Will I be able to speak to my advisor?**
Yes, transfer students will conclude their program with a stop at our new Undergraduate Academic Advising Center to meet with our university advising staff. If for some reason your assigned advisor is unavailable, an appointment will be scheduled to complete your plan of study. Graduate students will meet with the Graduate Dean, but advising is coordinated by each program.
- **When may I register for classes?**
Once you are accepted to the university, you will be able to enter the MyGSU Portal and register for classes. However, as new transfer students it is required that you attend a Transfer Orientation Program and meet with an advisor to develop or revise your degree audit before registering.
- **What should I wear?**
Casual attire is appropriate for Orientation. We recommend bringing comfortable shoes since the program will involve some walking and optional tours of campus. Depending on the weather, you may want to bring a sweater or jacket as well.
- **Where to park?**
Complimentary and ample parking is available on the GSU Campus. Please park in the East Lot 1 or West Lot 1. Signs will be clearly displayed to indicate the appropriate parking lots. Visit www.govst.edu/directions for directions to campus.