INTERNATIONAL PARENT WELCOME
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & SESSIONS

August 10 - 14, 2018

International Parent Welcome is for family members of students attending BGRi.

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- Purdue Visitor Information: www.purdue.edu/visit/
- Visit Lafayette-West Lafayette: www.homeofpurdue.com

Dining Options:
- Wiley Dining Court: https://dining.purdue.edu/ResidentialDining/
  (Special price for parents and family members: $10.25 + tax per person)
- Dining at Purdue Memorial Union (PMU): https://union.purdue.edu/dining/

Day One – Friday, August 10

8:00 – 8:00 PM – International Parent Welcome Check-In at KRCH (Krach Leadership Center)

All parents and family members please check-in at KRCH and pick-up your Parent Welcome packet and complimentary meal ticket.

9:00 – 5:00 PM Campus Bus Tours, Campus Walking Tours, and Co-Rec Tours, KRCH (Krach Leadership Center). Tours will leave approximately every hour beginning at 9:00am from KRCH

- **Campus Bus Tour** – Catalysts will lead a one-hour bus tour of campus each hour throughout the day.
- **Campus Walking Tour** – Discover Purdue through a walking tour of central campus. This hour-long tour led by CILMAR Cultural Catalysts will depart from KRCH. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.
- **Córdova Recreational Sports Center** (CREC) – The Co-Rec is the fitness and wellness facility. CILMAR Cultural Catalysts will lead you through the Co-Rec – five levels of gymnasiuums, courts, cardio and strength building equipment, swimming pools and a 55-foot high climbing wall! Recreation & Wellness: www.purdue.edu/recwell/ Catalysts will also lead these one-hour tours

12:00 – 1:30 PM – Lunch (On Your Own)
Please see list of “dining options” above
5:00 – 7:30 PM – Experience Dining Courts at Purdue Use your complimentary meal ticket as your admission to dine at Wiley Dining Court. Enjoy an unlimited buffet-style meal and eat with other parents from around the world!

6:30 – 8:00 PM – BGRi World Cup (Futbol/Soccer) Tournament – Parents are invited to watch their students participate in friendly games of soccer at the T-REC, located behind the Co-Rec.

Day Two – Saturday, August 11

8:00 – 5:00 PM – Late Arrivals Check-In, International Parent Welcome KRCH (Krach Leadership Center) Pick-up your Parent Welcome packet and one complimentary meal ticket to dine at Wiley Dining Court.

9:00 – 12:30 PM – Downtown Lafayette Farmer’s Market
Discover downtown Lafayette and visit the local Farmer’s Market! A shuttle bus to downtown Lafayette will leave from Grant Street Parking Garage, directly across from Purdue Memorial Union (PMU).

- First departure starting at 9:00 am and run continuously with last bus leaving downtown at 12:30 pm to return to Purdue campus.
- Optional WALK from PMU with Cultural Catalysts (15-20 minute walk across the Pedestrian Bridge)
- While downtown, visit shops on your own or be led by CILMAR’s Cultural Catalysts on a walking tour of Main Street. Enjoy lunch at a downtown restaurant or pick up street food to eat at Farmer’s Market.
- Wear comfortable walking shoes!

Optional Interest Sessions – Loeb Playhouse, STEWART (STEW) Attend an optional interest session with your student on:
8:30 – 9:30 AM – Banking in the United States
9:45 – 10:45 AM – Off Campus Students Rights and Responsibilities
11:00 – 12:00 PM – International Students and Scholars Information

12:30 – 5:00 PM – Bed, Bath and Beyond shopping trip in Lafayette – Shuttle buses to take parents and students to purchase household and school related items will be picking up at KRCH (corner of Martin Jischke and Third St.) beginning at 12:45 until 5:00 pm.

5:00 – 7:30 PM – Dinner on your own – Parents and family members are welcome to sample a meal at any of the campus dining facilities or at a local restaurant in Lafayette. (Please see list of “dining options” on p. 1.)

7:30 – 11:00 PM – “Mosey Down Main Street” (http://www.moseydownmain.com) A series of street celebrations with three stages for music, as well as outdoor food, drink, and street performers.
- Join Cultural Catalysts at 6 pm or at 7:30 pm at the PMU Entrance (Grant Street) to walk or catch a bus to downtown Lafayette.

Day Three – Sunday, August 12

8:00 – 9:00 AM – Breakfast on your own (See “dining options” on p. 1.)

9:00 – 11:00 AM – BGRi Opening Ceremony, Elliott Hall of Music (ELLT)
Parents are invited to attend this special opening event for all BGRi participants led by key Purdue staff. Reserved seating for parents will be in the back of Elliott and in the balcony.

11:30 – 1:00 PM – International Parent Welcome Reception, Purdue Memorial Union – South Ballroom
All international parents, guests and family members are invited to an hors d’oeuvres reception to hear words of
welcome and to meet a variety of Purdue’s administrative staff including Purdue’s Director of International Admissions, the Director of Advancement and our Dean of International Programs. Browse the exhibits highlighting Purdue’s history and alumni achievements.

1:00 – 1:30 PM – “Your Student’s Safety,” STEW 306
Join us as Purdue University police share important information about your student and campus safety.

- Purdue University Police Department: www.purdue.edu/ehps/police/

1:30 – 2:00 PM – “Your Student’s Health and Wellness,” STEW 306
Your student’s health and wellness are a top priority at Purdue. In this session, Purdue University Student Health (PUSH) and Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) staff will share information about health, insurance and how your student can use campus services for health and wellness.

- PUSH: www.purdue.edu/push/
- CAPS: www.purdue.edu/caps/

2:00 – 2:30 PM – “Your Student’s Transition to Purdue,” STEW 306
Purdue University Parent & Family Connections engages parents as partners in student success by helping parents and families understand the goals of the University community, serving as a central point of contact, and creating positive long-term relationships between parents, students and the University. Parent & Family Connections staff will share information about how international parents can assist their students during their transition to Purdue.

- Parent & Family Connections: www.purdue.edu/parentandfamily/

2:30 – 3:00 PM – Coffee Break in STEW 306

3:00 – 3:45 PM – “Your Student’s Residential Life,” STEW 306. The goal of University Residences is to develop living environments that value learning opportunities and personal growth and development. Residence Hall staff will provide tips for parents to build healthy connections and help their student develop life skills.

University Residences: www.housing.purdue.edu/ResidentialLife/

3:45 – 4:30 PM – Student Panel will share perspectives on campus housing, both on and off-campus.

4:30 – 5:00 PM – Parent Panel – Veteran parents of international students will share their perspectives.

5:00 – 7:30 PM – PASE Boilermaker Cookout on KRCH Lawn
Parents are invited to attend a cookout for BGRi students, parents and family members at Krach Lawn located on the green between the Krach Leadership Center and Wiley Dining Court. Vegetarian options are available. In case of rain, the cookout will be held in the Córdova Recreational Sports Center (CREC).

Day Four – Monday, August 13

9:00 – 10:30 AM – “Your Student’s Academic Success,” STEW 306
Karen (Yuan-Yu) Morgan presents the essentials of academics and academic advising. Your student’s relationship with their academic advisor will be key to their success and ability to graduate in four years.

Academic advising: www.purdue.edu/advisors/

10:00 AM Coffee available in STEW 306

10:30 – 12:00 PM – “Your Student’s Classroom Experience,” STEW 306
Hear about the culture of higher education in the U.S. and what your student can expect in the academic classroom in the U.S. Topics include syllabi, group projects, exams, grading, and more.

- Purdue faculty member and graduate students from the College of Education or History
- Academic Success Center: www.purdue.edu/studentsuccess/academic/index.html
12:00 – 1:30 PM – Lunch (On Your Own) see list of “dining options” on p. 1

1:30 – 3:00 PM – “Your Student’s College, School, or Institute,” Various Locations
The Colleges and Schools at Purdue University are dedicated to preparing your student for a competitive global job market. Come to the session hosted by the college, school, or institute to which your student has been accepted to hear more about the programs and opportunities they offer.

- College of Engineering: Purdue Memorial Union, North Ballroom (PMU)
  - www.engineering.purdue.edu/Engr
- College of Science: Wetherill Laboratory of Chemistry, Room 104 (WTHR)
  - www.science.purdue.edu/
- Krannert School of Management: Krannert Auditorium (KRAN)
  - www.krannert.purdue.edu/
- College of Education: Beering Hall, Room 3226a (BRNG)
  - www.education.purdue.edu
  - For questions feel free to contact Jenn Barce (jbarce@purdue.edu).
- Purdue Polytechnic Institute: www.polytechnic.purdue.edu/, STEW 306
- Exploratory Studies: www.purdue.edu/exploratory/, STEW 306
- College of Health and Human Sciences: www.purdue.edu/hhs/, STEW 306

- Parents of students in these colleges are welcome to contact colleges directly:
  - College of Liberal Arts: www.cla.purdue.edu
  - College of Veterinary Medicine: www.vet.purdue.edu
  - Honors College: www.honors.purdue.edu/

3:00 – 3:30 PM – Coffee Break in STEW 306

3:30 – 5:00 PM – “Your Student’s Career Opportunities," STEW 306
Staff from the Purdue University Center for Career Opportunities and the Office of Professional Practice will highlight career and leadership development programs and resources that students can utilize in order to develop skills to land that first job after graduation.

- Center for Career Opportunities: www.cco.purdue.edu/
- Office of Professional Practice: www.opp.purdue.edu/

5:00 – 6:30 PM – Dinner (On Your Own) See list of “dining options” on p. 1.

Free Evening

Day Five – Tuesday, August 14

9:00 – 9:45 AM – “Your Student’s Active Learning,” Wilmeth Active Learning Center (WALC)
WALC is our new hub of active learning on the Purdue campus. Cultural Catalysts will lead a 40-minute tour of this beautiful new academic facility. Learn more about this “cutting edge” space, in addition to housing the Library of Engineering and Science (six libraries in one) – a “not to miss” tour!
Au Bon Pain, a French style café, is located on the ground floor. https://www.lib.purdue.edu/walc/

10:00 AM – Coffee available in STEW 306

10:00 – 11:00 AM – “Your Student’s F-1 or J-1 Visa Status,” STEW 306
This important and engaging session will be given by Purdue’s Director of the Office of International Students and Scholars (ISS), who will provide a helpful overview of the requirements and responsibilities your student
has to their F-1/J-1 visa status while studying in the U.S. Parents receive the same information that students receive during their mandatory check-in with ISS, called “MISCi”. **International Students and Scholars:** [www.iss.purdue.edu](http://www.iss.purdue.edu)

**11:00 – 12:30 PM – “Your Student’s Co-Curricular Options,” STEW 306**

At Purdue, there is an abundance of learning opportunities outside of the classroom available to students. Faculty, staff and students will highlight how students’ participation in co-curricular activities can enhance their academic and overall experience at Purdue through leadership, service, social and cultural opportunities.

- CILMAR: [www.purdue.edu/IPPU/CILMAR/](http://www.purdue.edu/IPPU/CILMAR/) – CILMAR Staff
- Student Activities and Organizations: [www.purdue.edu/b-involved/](http://www.purdue.edu/b-involved/) – SAO Staff

**12:30 – 2:00 PM – Lunch (On Your Own)** See list of “dining options” on p. 1.

**2:00 – 3:15 PM – “5 Simple Rules for College Parents,” Loeb Playhouse (STEW)**

With **Harlan Cohen** – New York Times bestselling author of six books, a nationally syndicated advice columnist, a speaker who has visited over 400 college campuses and an expert in life transitions.

- Parent & Family Connections: [www.purdue.edu/parentandfamily/](http://www.purdue.edu/parentandfamily/)

**4:00 – 5:00 PM – New Student Induction, Mackey Arena (MACK)**

The New Student Induction ceremony will feature key university faculty and administration, and mark the beginning of your student’s educational career at Purdue.

**5:30 – 7:00 PM – Dinner with Student/Say Goodbyes (On Your Own)**

After New Student Induction, parents and students are encouraged to have dinner together and say “see you soon” before students begin their first Boiler Gold Rush activities following dinner.

Note: Dinner marks the conclusion of all parent activities.

**End of International Parent Welcome Program**