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### Explore the Possibilities

Governors State University 2015 Transfer & Graduate Orientation
Welcome to New Student Orientation.

Whether you’re a transfer student new to the GSU community or you’re a graduate student returning to continue your academic journey, this orientation is designed with you in mind. Please use this valuable time to take in all the information you can and enjoy your introduction to GSU. We look forward to getting to know you and hope we can enrich your life as much as you will, no doubt, enrich our campus.

Now that you’ve joined us for orientation, here are a few things to keep in mind as you approach your first semester at GSU.

• Participate fully in Orientation sessions and program
• Submit immunization records to Academic Resource Center (Room B1215) by September 4, 2015
• Pick up your myONECARD from the Welcome Center
• Consider living in Prairie Place. (Congratulations if you have already submitted your contract)
• Purchase a dining plan (http://www.govst.edu/dining/)
• Check your financial aid status through your myGSU Portal
  – Complete entrance counseling (www.studentloans.gov)
  – Complete your Master Promissory Note (www.studentloans.gov)
• Set up a tuition payment plan (www.govst.edu/cashier)
• Check the GSU foundation webpage for any scholarships you may qualify for.
• Check your class schedule and speak to your advisor about making any changes
• Purchase or rent your text books (www.govst.edu/bookstore)
• Get involved! (www.govst.edu/GSUjaguars), (www.govst.edu/studentlife)

Getting Social with Your Media

Share your experiences through Social Media. Social Networking is a great way for people to communicate, share photos, memories, and stories with their friends, family members. and the GSU community.

For our Orientation sessions this summer, we are using the hashtags #new2gsu and #govst2015 to connect everyone to the GSU social scene.

Like a presentation? Tweet about it! Talk about it on your Facebook! Take a photo with new friends? Put it up on Instagram! Just use those hashtags for your posts, and maybe you’ll see your Orientation experience streaming live on the monitors around campus.
Your first action as a GSU student is to get acquainted with the GSU Portal and access your GSU email account.

**Your GSU Portal**

Log into your myGSU portal (https://mygsu.govst.edu) with the user name and password found in your letter of admission.

Check out all the great self-service options available on your Portal. Under the menu titled “Online Services,” click on “Students.” Here you will find information about your student account, financial aid, registration and your academic record. Tutorials for all Online Services options are found in the drop down menu titled “How do I…?” located in the top middle section of your myGSU Portal.

In the student portal, you will find information that will help make your student experience at GSU more convenient, including campus news updates, events and announcements. You can register for classes through the myGSU portal. New freshman students should note that all registration, including adding and dropping courses, must be done in collaboration with your academic advisor.

**Your GSU Email**

Your GSU student email is your line of communication with GSU. The university community, from your professors and advisors to student clubs and other students, will communicate with you through your GSU student email. You can access your student email account through myGSU portal.

Log into your myGSU portal (https://mygsu.govst.edu) with the user name and password found in your letter of admission. On the portal, find the drop down menu titled “How do I…?” In this menu, select the option for “Set up my email account” and follow the prompts. Check your GSU email three to five times per week to make sure you don’t miss important requests and announcements from the university. You can also forward your student email account to another email account. Instructions are found under the gear icon in the upper-right hand corner of the myGSU Portal. Select “Options,” select “Forward your email” and follow the prompts.

**Blackboard**

Blackboard is the classroom support technology used by GSU faculty. Blackboard may be used by your professors for assignments, discussions or to share information with you. Blackboard and the myGSU Portal are different resources. These differences will be discussed at orientation.

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Dear Student,

Welcome to Governors State University. You have already distinguished yourself as someone who is ready for success and good luck. You are smart enough to see the special opportunities waiting for you as you continue your education at GSU.

- You will make life-long friends, as you participate in group projects, clubs and campus organizations.
- You will be inspired as you study with dedicated faculty — leaders in their field.
- You will see the world in new ways, as you discover and create Big Ideas.

Remember that a full college experience means more than just taking classes. Make a resolution to try something new this year; audition for a play, join a team, lead a club, understand what it means to live in the midst of art, take Metra to Millennium Park — the possibilities are endless.

Be proud to be a Jaguar. Cheer on our teams. But also think about what it means to be part of Jaguar Nation. Jaguars are resilient, and so are you. Studies have shown that resilience — the ability to deal with stress and bounce back — is the essential attribute of college success. GSU is set up to help you manage the stress you will inevitably encounter. We are committed to help you balance your course schedule with employment opportunities, family commitments, and time for relaxation. Strong people ask for help when needed. Just ask.

I hope to meet each one of you during this academic year in your classes, at Prairie Place, at campus activities, and in the bleachers at athletic events. Have a remarkably successful year.

And Go Jaguars!

Warm regards,

Elaine P. Maimon, Ph.D.
President, Governors State University
Schedule at a Glance

Noon - 1 p.m.  Student and Guest Check-in

Noon - 1 p.m.  Resource Fair
Campus Tours / Prairie Place Tours

1:15 p.m.  Welcome from President Maimon
Remarks from Provost Bordelon
Remarks from Dean Valente
Introduction of Orientation Leaders

1:30 p.m.  Graduate Student Breakout Sessions with Graduate Professional Network
Remarks from Dean Cada
Transfer Student Breakout Sessions with Orientation Leaders

2:30 p.m.  Concurrent Session 1
Various Locations

3 p.m.  Concurrent Session 2
Various Locations

3:30 p.m.  Major/Program Information Sessions with Academic Advisors
Various Locations

Concurrent Sessions

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  D34050  Blackboard  Blackboard
  C3330  Can Do  Can Do
  D34104  Career Services  How to Find Campus Employment  Career Services  How to Find Campus Employment
  D34170  Financial Aid  Learning the GSU System  Financial Aid  Learning the GSU System
  D34090  Information Technology Services  Microsoft Office Web Apps and OneDrive  Information Technology Services  Microsoft Office Web Apps and OneDrive
  D2240B  Navigating Your Library’s Website  Navigating Your Library’s Website
  D340150  Prairie Place  GSU’s First On Campus Housing  Prairie Place  GSU’s First On Campus Housing
  D34165  Release the Leader in You  Release the Leader in You
  C3331  Study Abroad  Study Abroad
  D34012  Transfer Success Panel with Transfer Transition Leaders
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  D34115  Writing Tips for Graduate School  Writing Tips for Graduate School
  D34110  Your Health/Wellness Meditation Session  Your Health/Wellness Meditation Session

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On-campus student employment is a great opportunity to gain professional experience while making connections in a part-time paid position. Employment is available in multiple departments and in a variety of roles. Come to this session to learn about different types of employment, how to apply and follow up on an application, as well as explore other ideas for gaining experience during one’s education.

Financial Aid: Learning the GSU System
Attend one of two presentations on how to apply for federal, state and institutional financial aid. Topics discussed include: when and how to apply, what you might be eligible to receive, exploring all your options and borrowing responsibly.

Information Technology Services: Microsoft Office Web Apps and SkyDrive
Did you know that you have free access to the web version of MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint and OneNote through your GSU student email account? Did you know that your email account includes 7GB of storage for your documents and files? This demo will introduce you to the web applications of Office 365 and your OneDrive.

Navigating Your Library’s Website
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Prairie Place — GSU’s First on Campus Housing
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Your Health/Wellness: Meditation session
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