

FIRST-YEAR
STUDENT
SCHEDULE



BABSON COLLEGE
ORIENTATION

August 28 – September 1, 2009

FRIDAY 08.28.09

8 a.m.–Noon

Student and Family Check-In > Knight Auditorium

Check in and receive important New Student Orientation materials. Students may then move into their assigned residence halls, or, if commuting, browse through the bookstore or relax in the Reynolds Campus Center.

10:30–1 p.m.

Brunch > Trim Dining Hall

Please stop by for a casual brunch with your family.

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Orientation Group Meeting: Important First Step > Park Manor Lawn

(Rain Location: Track, Webster Center)

Meet your orientation leaders, get acquainted with new classmates, and find out important information about the program. This session is critical to a successful and productive orientation. Please look for the group number printed on your name tag.

3–3:30 p.m.

Class Picture > Tomasso Hall Front Steps

(Rain Location: Staake Gymnasium, Webster Center)

4–5 p.m.

Opening Celebration > Staake Gymnasium, Webster Center

President Leonard A. Schlesinger and the Babson College community welcome all new students and their families.

5–6:30 p.m.

First Night Barbecue > Park Manor Lawn (Rain Location: PepsiCo Pavilion, Webster Center)

Continue the celebration with your family and new friends on your first night at Babson. Enjoy a bite to eat before saying goodbye to your family.

6:30–7 p.m.

Say Goodbye

Take some time to say goodbye to your family and friends who came with you today.

7:30–8 p.m.

Residence Hall Meeting > Your Residence Hall

All first-year students will meet with their Resident Assistants and the people living around them on the hall. The RAs will go over important information regarding Residential Living, policies in the residence halls, and upcoming events throughout the semester.

8:30 p.m.

Playfair > Knight Auditorium

It's fun, entertaining, and unlike anything you've experienced! Come find out what Playfair is all about.

10 p.m.

Friday Night Live > Roger's Pub, Park Manor Central

Come hang out at one of Babson students' favorite places for arcade games, live music, food, and friends!

SATURDAY 08.29.09

8–9 a.m.

Breakfast > Trim Dining Hall

9–9:30 a.m.

All-Class Meeting > Knight Auditorium

Meet Elizabeth Thornton, chief diversity officer, and Maryel Giron, manager for student diversity and inclusion, as they introduce what it means to be a Transcultural Leader.

9:30–11 a.m.

Expanding Your Horizons, Featuring Dr. Maura J. Cullen > Knight Auditorium

In this honest, thought-provoking and interactive session, you will discover the rich, colorful, textured fabric that is your new community. This annual favorite celebrates the Babson core value of diversity.

11 a.m.–Noon

Meeting with Orientation Groups > Outside of Knight Auditorium

Expanding your horizons often provokes powerful reactions. Meet with your orientation group to discuss your thoughts and ideas.

Noon–1:15 p.m.

Lunch > Trim Dining Hall

Concurrent Sessions:

Please refer to your orientation folder for your session location.

Concurrent Sessions, 90 minutes in length.

Sessions will be from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., and 3 to 4:15 p.m.

1:30–4:15 p.m.

Experience Babson: The Babson Basics

> Please refer to your orientation folder for your session location.

This interactive session will focus on helping new students prepare for the various academic and community experiences that await them. Babson faculty and staff will work with you to provide information needed for a successful first year.

1:30–4:15 p.m.

Introduction to Information Technology

> Please refer to your orientation folder for your session location.

Students must bring their laptops.

This session will cover all the important aspects of information technology at Babson. You will learn how to navigate the course management software, use the resources on the network, and effectively organize your information on your laptop. Also, you will learn some very important tips on software packages that you will need to be successful in your classes.

5:30–8 p.m.

Tour of Boston Chowdahfest > Upper Quad

(Rain Location: Trim Dining Hall)

Hang out with the Babson Greek community at Barefoot Park and enjoy some multicultural tastes of Boston, including the various types of a New England favorite: CHOWDAH! The Adult Circus entertainers will keep you mystified as they perform various tricks, mind reading, and stunts.

8–10 p.m.

Outdoor Movie: *Star Trek* > Reynolds Campus Center

(Rain Location: Richard W. Sorenson Center for the Arts)

SUNDAY 08.30.09

9–11 a.m.

Multifaith Services > Glavin Family Chapel

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Brunch with Orientation Groups > Trim Dining Hall

1–2 p.m.

All-Class Meeting > Richard W. Sorenson Center for the Arts

Meet Class Dean Gerri Randlett.

2:30–4:45 p.m.

CHOICES Program > Various Campus Locations

An interactive program presented in a nonconfrontational manner and using reflective journaling to help students realize the risks associated with alcohol use. In addition, the CHOICES program will provide students with effective tools and strategies for reducing the risk and harm associated with alcohol use in the college environment. The CHOICES program is a research-based alcohol abuse prevention and harm reduction program designed specifically for college students.

5–6:30 p.m.

Dinner > Trim Dining Hall

Dessert Tour of Visual and Performing Arts > Trim Dining Hall

Come experience what Babson has to offer in the visual arts. Talk with Babson's Artists in Residence Danielle Krcmar and Stephanie Osser, faculty, staff, and students about ways to involve yourself in the arts and tap into your creative side. Also, see students' artwork on display, and learn about classes and workshops in ceramics, photography, drawing, and painting. Finally, check out demonstrations in the ceramic studio and enjoy delicious desserts in the lobby area!

7–11 p.m.

Boston Harbor Cruise > Buses will leave from Trim Dining Hall

Meet new friends, dance, or just relax while cruising historic Boston Harbor. This cruise will feature a DJ from Club T Productions in Boston. Co-sponsored by the Campus Activities Board.

MONDAY 08.31.09

8–9 a.m.

Breakfast > Trim Dining Hall

10–11:15 a.m.

The Honor Code and Community Standards Discussion > Knight Auditorium

This session will introduce students to the Babson College Undergraduate Honor Code and community standards through a video presentation and speakers from various organizations on campus including Honor Board members. Students will have the opportunity to sign the Honor Code banner, a Babson tradition!

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

All-Class Meeting > Richard W. Sorenson Center for the Arts

Meet Dennis Hanno, dean of the Undergraduate School, and Betsy Newman, dean of Student Affairs.

12:30–2 p.m.

Class BBQ with the Deans > Reynolds Lawn

1:30–3 p.m.

International and Exchange Student Immigration Sessions

> Knight Auditorium (F-1 students) and Malloy 102 (J-1 exchange students)

This meeting is required for all new students in F-1 and J-1 status.

This mandatory session for international and exchange students will cover important information about immigration regulations and highlight the five most important things to remember in order to maintain your legal student status while at Babson.

2–3:45 p.m.

Foreign Language Placement Advising and Testing > Tomasso Hall

Students who plan to continue a foreign language this year and have not yet taken a placement test must do so at this session. Please bring your laptops with you. Note: it will take up to an hour.

Disability Services Open House > Hollister Hall, Academic Services

Learn about the processes for accessing academic accommodations and services available to students with disabilities and/or motor impairments.

3–3:45 p.m.

International Student Panel > Knight Auditorium

Hear from five current F-1 and J-1 international students who will share stories about adjusting to life in the U.S. and at Babson. They will give you the inside scoop on opening a bank account, driving in the U.S., and which cell phone companies are the best. Don't miss hearing the personal experiences of these outstanding international students.

4–5:30 p.m.

Campus Computing: From Free Speech to Facebook

> Richard W. Sorenson Center for the Arts

The advent of social networking sites such as MySpace and Facebook have put both universities and their students in a precarious position. Add to that the fact that students are commonly accused of online harassment, electronic stalking, copyright infringement, and software piracy and it's clear that cyberspace can be a dangerous place, indeed. Learn how your Facebook and MySpace pages can come back to haunt you!

5:30–6:30 p.m.

Dinner > Trim Dining Hall

6:30–7:30 p.m.

Summer Reading Discussion > Various Campus Locations

Engage in a lively discussion about Three Cups of Tea with Babson faculty, staff, and students.

8–9:15 p.m.

Summer Reading Speaker > Carling-Sorenson Theater

Join us as Three Cups of Tea co-author David Oliver Relin speaks about his experiences, followed by a question and answer session and book signing.

9:30 p.m.

Hypnotist > Knight Auditorium

Be spellbound by a nationally touring hypnotist. Bring your friends and enjoy a night filled with laughter!

TUESDAY 09.01.09

8–9 a.m.

Breakfast > Trim Dining Hall

9:45–10:15 a.m.

All-Class Meeting > Richard W. Sorenson Center for the Arts

This is the final all-class meeting of Orientation. Let's wrap up the past four days before classes start.

10:30–11 a.m.

Cooperative Institutional Research Project (CIRP) > Designated Campus Locations

All new students are asked to participate in this important research project that gathers information from entering college students across the country.

11 a.m.–Noon

First-Year Seminar (FYS) Class > Designated Campus Locations

Start the year off right by meeting your FYS instructor, faculty adviser, and peer mentor, and participate in your first class at Babson.

Noon–4:30 p.m.

Academic Advising > Office of Academic Services, Hollister Hall

Walk-in appointments will be available for questions about your Fall 2009 class schedule.

Noon–1 p.m.

Lunch > Trim Dining Hall

1:30 to 3 p.m.

Performing Arts at Babson > Richard W. Sorenson Center for the Arts Lobby

Meet Burl Hash, director, Sorenson Center for the Arts, for a tour of the Sorenson Theater. Learn more about theater, dance, and music at Babson.

Optional Afternoon Activities > Shuttles to Area Locations

4 p.m.

Men's Soccer Game > Hartwell-Rogers Field > Babson vs. Roger Williams

Come cheer on the men's soccer team as they take on Roger Williams.

5 p.m.

Dinner > Trim Dining Hall

7 p.m.

Women's Volleyball Game > Staake Gymnasium > Babson vs. Brandeis

Bump–Set–Spike! Don't miss the volleyball team as they take on Brandeis.

WEDNESDAY 09.02.09

Classes begin.



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