

# Foothill College

## **Fall 2009 International Student Orientation Schedule**

***Please report to the Cafeteria- Upper Level of Campus Center***

### **August 24-28**

International student orientation is **mandatory**. You must attend the entire orientation.

#### **Monday, August 24: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**When you complete your placement testing, you may leave the Foothill campus**

**No Lunch Provided**

- ❖ Check-in
- ❖ Welcome and Introduction of International Staff
- ❖ English and Math Placement Testing

**(Test groups will be assigned in late July. We will send you an email with details)**

#### **Tuesday, August 25: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**When you complete your placement testing, you may leave the Foothill campus**

**No Lunch Provided**

- ❖ Check-in
- ❖ Welcome and Introduction of International Staff
- ❖ English and Math Placement Testing Continues

**(Test groups will be assigned in late July. We will send you an email with details)**

#### **Wednesday, August 26: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Wednesday, August 26 you must bring your passport, I-94 and your original I-20 and those documents will be collected on and returned to you on Friday afternoon. If you are transferring from another institution from within the U.S., bring copies of your past I-20's.**

**Lunch Provided by International Office**

- ❖ Collect Passport, I-94, and I-20's

#### **Thursday, August 27: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Lunch Provided by International Office- U.S Citizens living abroad will join!**

- ❖ Presentations

#### **Friday, August 28: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**No Lunch Provided**

- ❖ Presentations
- ❖ Return Passport, I-94, and I-20's

**Topics presented at Orientation will include the following:**

- ❖ Honor's Program
- ❖ Transfer Center
- ❖ Student Health Insurance – SIS
- ❖ Homestay and Apartment Information
- ❖ Health Services
- ❖ Code of Student Conduct
- ❖ Banking Information
- ❖ Student Government and Student Activities
- ❖ Immigration and International Admissions Issues
- ❖ Office of Personal Counseling and Human Services
- ❖ Class Schedule- How to Choose Courses
- ❖ Registration Procedures
- ❖ Immigration: Homeland Security, Social Security Numbers, and more .....

## Important Information about International Orientation

- ❖ **You must attend every day of orientation:** Students who do not attend are unable to register for Math and English courses, until they take the Foothill placement tests. Students who arrive late will have trouble registering for courses, as many classes will be full. Remember, your tuition fees must be paid by Friday, October 2 or you will be dropped from all of your classes and risk being 'out of status.'
- ❖ **MANDATORY PLACEMENT TESTING:** Your English and Math courses are based upon your placement test results. To facilitate your registration in classes, you must take placement tests as part of orientation. You may prepare for the tests by reading the placement testing information included with this letter, and taking the sample tests. More information about testing is included in the Orientation Packet. **Placement testing will occur on August 24 and 25 at 9 am and 1 pm. Student will receive an email from our office in late July with your test group, which will specify the date and time that you will test.**
- ❖ **International Counseling 50:** International Counseling 50 is a mandatory counseling course that ALL students must take. You receive 1 college credit for completing this class. In this class you will create a course schedule, create a two year education plan which outlines the courses you need to take to transfer or to obtain you Associates Degree, and much more. **Students will be assigned a Counseling 50 section during orientation. Counseling 50 will take place August 31 to September 11. If you do not take this course, your registration will be blocked the following quarter.**
- ❖ **Passport, I-94, and original I-20:** Please bring your passport, I-94 and your original I-20 to orientation. These documents will be collected on Wednesday, August 26 and returned to you on Friday, August 28. If you are transferring from another institution from within the U.S., bring copies of your past I-20's.
- ❖ **Directions to Orientation:**
  - If you are taking the bus: Take the 40 or 52 bus, and get off at the stop under the footbridge. Climb the stairs, and follow the signs to the Campus Center. The cafeteria is located on the upper level of the Campus Center.
  - If you are being dropped off: There is a passenger drop-off area next to the handicapped parking below the footbridge. Climb the stairs, and follow the signs to the Campus Center.
  - If you are driving: Park in Lot 2, and purchase a daily parking permit for \$2.00US. Walk up on to the main campus, and follow the signs to the Campus Center.
  - Driving directions are available online at <http://www.foothill.edu/news/maps.html>
  - A Foothill campus map is available at: <http://www.foothill.edu/news/mainmaps.html>