

BBS Orientation Schedule 2024

Monday, August 26

8:30 – 9:00 am	DMS Breakfast – New Research Building (NRB), Rotunda, 3rd Floor
9:00 – 10:00 am	DMS Welcome – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
10:00 – 11:00 am	DMS Introduction to Student Resources (GSAS Student Services, Ombuds, CAMHS, Career Navigator) – NRB, Rotunda, 3 rd floor
11:00 – 11:45 am	BBS Program Orientation – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
11:45 am – 12:30 pm	Current Student Welcome and Ice Breaker – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
12:45 – 2:45 pm	BBS Life as a G1 student and Lunch – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
3:00 – 4:00 pm	BBS First Year and Required Curriculum – Tosteson Medical Education Center (TMEC) 227
4:00 – 4:45 pm	BBS Administrative “How-To” session – TMEC 227
5:00 – 7:00 pm	BBS Poster Session – Warren Alpert Building, Courtyard Café (appetizers served)
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Biomedical Graduate Student Organization (BGSO) Pictures, Pitchers & Pizza – TMEC Student Lounge 4 th floor

Tuesday, August 27

8:30 – 9:00 am	DMS Breakfast – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
9:00 – 11:30 am	How to find a lab and mentors to help you reach your goals – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	HGSU-UAW Student Union Orientation – NRB, Rotunda, 3rd Floor
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Free time and Commute to Cambridge
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Convocation – Sanders Theatre, Cambridge
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Resource Fair – GSAS Student Center at Lehman Hall (inside), Cambridge
3:00 – 3:55 pm	Meet the Developmental and Regenerative Biology Program (DRB) – Sherman-Fairchild Room 268, Cambridge
4:00 – 6:00 pm	Social Hour, sponsored by the Graduate School Alumni Association – GSAS Student Center, Lehman Hall Patio, Cambridge
5:00 – 7:00 pm	GSAS G-1 Affinity Group Reception – CGIS South Concourse, 1730 Cambridge Street
6:00 pm	BGSO Duck Tour – Prudential Center

Wednesday, August 28

	Individual Program Advising*
11:30 – 1:30	BBS Poster Session – Countway Library, 503 Ballard Room
1:00 – 4:00 pm	International Student Orientation – Emerson Hall
4:00 – 6:00 pm	International Student Reception – GSAS Student Center at Lehman Hall

Thursday, August 29

	Course Registration Deadline
8:30 – 9:00 am	Coffee and snack – TMEC 442 Student Lounge
9:00 – 11:30 am	Culture and Community Workshop – TMEC 306 and 328 The goal of the Culture and Community Workshop is to equip incoming cohorts of students with theoretical and practical tools to establish and sustain an inclusive culture and community in their cohort and program.
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Concentration info/poster session and Lunch – Gordon Hall, Waterhouse Room 106
12:00 – 3:00 pm	BGSO Animal Farm Petting Zoo – HMS Quad
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Leder Human Biology & Translational Medicine Social – NRB 350
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Student Involvement Fair – GSAS Student Center
7:00 – 9:00 pm	BGSO Versus Bar Night – Versus Boston Bar
8:00 pm – 11:00 am	Student Center Open House Party – GSAS Student Center

Friday, August 30

Day off for packing and moving

<i>Monday, September 2</i>	Labor Day
<i>Tuesday, September 3</i>	GSAS First Day of Classes Check-In Deadline For All Students Individual Program Advising*
12:00 – 1:15 pm	Community Education Initiative (CEI) Introduction and Lunch – Armenise Building 125 (D) Amphitheater
1:30 – 2:30 pm	Data Management, Julie Goldman, Research Data Services Librarian – TMEC 209
3:00 – 5:00 pm	BBS 230
5:00 – 7:00 pm	BBS Poster Session – Warren Alpert Building, Courtyard Café (appetizers served)
<i>Wednesday, September 4</i>	
9:10 am – 12:00 pm	Genetics 201 and BCMP 200
12:15 – 1:15 pm	Rotation Club with Lunch – TMEC 227
1:30 – 2:00 pm	Student Union Presentation – TMEC 227
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Therapeutics Graduate Program Meet & Greet – TMEC 306
<i>Thursday, September 5</i>	
	Individual Program Advising*
12:00 – 2:30 pm	PGG (Program in Genetics and Genomics) and Genetics Department Welcome Event (street food and petting zoo) – Quad lawn
3:00 – 5:00 pm	BBS 230
5:15 – 6:15 pm	Harvard Graduate Program in Bacteriology (GPiB)/Microbiology Happy Hour – HIM building 10th floor lunchroom
<i>Friday, September 6</i>	
9:10 am – 12:00 pm	Genetics 201 and BCMP 200
<i>Friday, September 6 – Sunday, September 8</i>	BBS Student Retreat, Provincetown, MA
Friday – 12:45 pm	Begin boarding chartered buses at Vanderbilt Hall for 1:00 departure
Sunday – 10:30 am Sharp	Chartered buses leave Provincetown Inn

*The blocks of time for Individual Program Advising are spaced throughout Orientation. You will have at least one meeting in the month of August with your advisor. The details for your meeting will be emailed to you by your Program Advisor in August. If you have any questions, please contact Deirdre.

Tax Workshops:

Domestic Students - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQ3TurjkS6M>

International Students - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YTzVGv7eKt0>

For questions about the BGSO events, please contact Kelly Kelly_Nicolas@hms.harvard.edu.