New College of Florida – Fall 2013 Orientation

Welcome new students of the "Class of 2013"

What Is New Student Orientation?

New Student Orientation in August is a week-long program designed for new students to learn about our campus and local community. Each student is assigned to an Orientation Group led by our Orientation Leaders (OL's). Students participate in a variety of small group activities which introduce them to the social, intellectual and academic life at New College.

Our 2013 Orientation theme emphasizes the journey of self-discovery in ***The Wizard of Oz***. Once the dust settles, we hope you discover a world of adventures at New College. You just might find a deeper connection to your heart, your brain, your courage and even a part of home – all within you. So we invite you to join us *"somewhere over the rainbow"* and hope you'll treasure your new college life since… *"There's no place like New College!"*

Why is New Student Orientation important?

Orientation includes a critical academic component where new students meet the Provost and their faculty advisors to understand our academic expectations, learn how to negotiate semester contracts, attend mini-classes and register for their fall courses. In addition, Orientation includes a number of programs designed to introduce students to campus life at New College from meetings within residence halls and with student government to maintaining fitness, balance and wellness, to exploring leadership, community service and life outside of New College. Many of these activities are also designed to help students meet other members of the Class of 2013. Orientation will address social awareness in such areas as sexual assault, risks of substance abuse, personal responsibility, diversity, and strategies for academic success.

Is New Student Orientation required?

Yes. Throughout the week, Orientation addresses different aspects of residential college life. Each component of Orientation is offered to enable new students to learn how to succeed at New College of Florida.

The following schedule provides an overview of the various activities throughout New Student Orientation.

Please note that all mandatory events for new students are bold and highlighted in blue text.

If you have any questions, please ask an Orientation Leader or Student Affairs staff member.

Saturday, Aug. 17: New Student Orientation, Move-in Day

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM **Check-in / Move-in** **Harry Sudakoff Conference Center**

Get your room keys, take your New College ID photo and get your Parking Permit (if needed). Bring any immunization forms, final transcripts or business forms you have not yet submitted. Students need a **photo ID (Driver's License).**

Students begin in the main (covered) entrance facing **Sudakoff** parking lot. If available, please pack a dolly or hand cart to help you move into your room. Parking is very limited near the residence halls.

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Parking & Business Office, Financial Aid Palmer D (PMD 123)

The Parking and Business Offices are open. Bring a photo ID (Driver's License) and your New College student identification number (N#1022…). For Parking Permits you'll need your current vehicle's registration and fee payment. A Financial Aid staff member will also be available to address new students' questions.

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM Free time: *on your own for shopping, unpacking, dining out with family, and more…*

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM New Student Reception New College of Florida Bookstore
6301 North Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Information Technology Help Hamilton Center mailroom

Trouble connecting your computer? Drop by our temporary station for quick help with technical set-up / campus log-in.

5:00 PM Worship Service Bayfront Outdoor Classroom *(Thatchroom)*

All are welcome to join our Campus Minister, Rev. John Walker, for a non-denominational Christian worship service. Please dress casual and comfortable for this outdoor service. Parking is available near Robertson Hall.

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM NCSA Family Welcome Z-Green / Hamilton Center

New College Student Alliance (NCSA) welcomes new students and their families. Enjoy music & munchies.

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM **Nuovo Collegians** *(Required – students only)* **Sudakoff**

All new students (first-years & transfers) attend this first session for an overview of Orientation Week, review basic community expectations & emergency contacts for your first night at New College; meet your Orientation Leader and join us for your first Orientation group meeting as a Nuovo Collegian.

7:00 PM New Student Welcome / Residence Life – 1st night on campus overview

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM Meet your Orientation Leader – 1st group meeting

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM **Family Reception:** Welcome to New College **The Keating Center** *(Bayfront Campus)*

9:00 PM – 11:00 PM Evening Social: Movie *(optional)* HCL 8 / TA

Join Resident Advisors & Orientation Leaders for a movie night to relax into your first evening on campus.

NOTE: Be sure you've completed the online survey, the Alcohol e-CheckUpToGo by Monday (8/19) at 4pm. Use your personal computer or one of our labs on campus in the Library or HCL 5 or HCL 6.

This is an interactive, confidential web survey that allows college and university students to enter information about their drinking patterns and receive feedback about their use of alcohol. The assessment takes about 6-7 minutes to complete and is self-guided. Our Counseling & Wellness Center will provide more information about this program later in Orientation Week.

Sunday, Aug. 18: Day 1: New Student Orientation

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Follow the Yellow Brick Road** *(students only)* Sudakoff, *outside near entrance*

Students meet in small groups with Orientation Leaders (OL) and get to know classmates: Campus tour, interest meetings, big group games and college overview. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing for walking across campus.

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM Lunch with Orientation Groups *(students only)* Hamilton Center

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Information Technology Help Hamilton Center mailroom

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2:00 PM – 3:30 PM **College Life 101** *(students only)* Sudakoff & Residence Halls

Meet your Campus Life Coordinators and Resident Advisors, discuss community standards for living together, mingle with your neighbors and learn how to feel comfortable in your new home…there's no place like New College!

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Ice-Cream Social & Parent Good-Bye Hamilton Center

Families and new students rejoin for ice-cream. Mingle with New College staff and students.

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Information Technology Help Hamilton Center mailroom

Trouble connecting your computer? Drop by our temporary station for quick help with technical set-up / campus log-in.

5:00 PM ***Parent & Guardian Orientation ends.***

6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Dinner**:** Make Your Own Sandwich *(optional, students only)* Hamilton Center

Optional evening social events for new students:

7:00 PM Buffalo Wizards - Live Band *(optional)* Z-Green

Live music with your OL's & RA's. Bring blankets to lounge on the ground & relax with new friends.

8:00 PM – 10:00 PM Evening Activities *(optional)* Hamilton Center

Join your Orientation Leaders for a variety of social activities – games, movies or surprise fun.

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Monday, Aug. 19 Day 2: Campus Life

8:00 AM	Breakfast	Hamilton Center
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**President's Welcome & New Student Transitions:** Student Affairs & Campus Resources	Sudakoff

New College President, Dr. Donal O'Shea, welcomes students. Meet professional & student staff from the Division of Student Affairs. Learn about different offices and where to go when you need a helping hand. Enjoy an interactive simulation of the challenges and playful adventures that will get you through your first semester at New College.

9:15 AM – 10:00 AM	**College Life - Choices**	Sudakoff

Dean of Students, Chief of Police, Director of Counseling & Wellness Center; Fitness Center, Community Engagement

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	**1 semester in 1 hour**	Sudakoff

Students go through a semester simulation with academic challenges, transition issues, stresses and successes.

11:00 - 1:00 PM	Lunch	Hamilton Center

Eat with your Orientation Leader (OL) groups & professional staff. Discuss individual concerns about how to connect at New College and feel "at home" on your campus.

11:00 - 12:45 PM	**Lunch with OL groups & staff – transition issues**	Hamilton Center
11:30 AM <EXCEPTION>	**Transfer students lunch,** Provost & Dean of Studies To discuss transition issues *(Beth Bowen, contact)*	College Hall *(Music Room)*
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	**College Relationships & Hook-up Culture**	Sudakoff

Consent is sexy! Attend an interactive presentation with our Victim Advocate addressing common relationship issues on college campuses followed by a student panel for Q&A about life at New College.

2:30 PM – 5:00 PM	**New College Community Interests: Mini-workshop Series** *Various locations, see handout for details*	

Choose from a variety of session topics and attend two mini-workshops (at 3pm & 4pm) featuring different interests and aspects of connecting to the New College community. Additional details provided at New Student Orientation.

4:00 PM	**Deadline to complete *the Alcohol e-CheckUpToGo***	
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Dinner with Orientation Groups	Hamilton Center
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: A1, A2, B1	ACE 329
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: B2, C1, C2	ACE 329
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM *(estimate)*	**I Shall Not Hate** (panel with President O'Shea)	**Sudakoff**

Students discuss summer common reading with President O'Shea, Provost Miles & faculty; participate in a Q&A panel.

10:00 PM – 12:00 AM **Evening Activities *(optional)*:**

Join Orientation Leaders for evening events – dancing, games, movies & more. See a list of activities in Ham for details.

Tuesday, Aug. 20 Day 3: Academic Success

****** (Students will need their ID Card for meals beginning today.)******

8:00 AM	Breakfast	Hamilton Center
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	**ACE - IT**	Sudakoff

*Alternate between two sessions**: ACE (Alcohol Culture Explored)** discusses social norms on campus with a student panel led by the Dean of Students. Our **IT tech talk** reviews how to navigate New College's online student systems with staff from the Registrar's Office, Information Technology & Educational Technology Services.*

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	**Groups A – H:** HCL 8 (IT)	**Groups I – T:** Sudakoff (ACE)
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11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch with Orientation Groups	Hamilton Center
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	**What's a Contract? *(Required, Faculty Advising)***	**Sudakoff**

Join classmates as you meet the Provost of Academic Affairs, Dean of Studies and the Division Chairs from Humanities, Social Sciences & Natural Sciences.

Review academic expectations, our New College contract system and answer any questions you have about negotiating contracts with your faculty advisors (i.e. the essentials of registering for classes). OL's help with large group discussion.

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	**Academic Resources Overview**	**Sudakoff**

Meet academic staff from the Jane Bancroft Cook Library staff from the Academic Resource Center (ARC) including the Writing Resource Center, Quantitative Resource Center, Language Resource Center, Study Abroad and Library Services; CIRP distributed to all new students at the end of this session.

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	**Peer Mentors: Advising & Registration**	**Sudakoff**

OL's discuss your first group advising session, faculty negotiation, contracts and tips; surviving mini-classes.

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Dinner	Hamilton Center
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: D1, D2, E1	ACE 329
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: E2, F1, F2	ACE 329
6:00 PM – 10:00 PM	**Mock Towne Meeting with New College Student Alliance** Followed by Pool Party at the Fitness Center	**Palm Court**
10:00 PM – 12:00 AM	Evening Activities *(optional)*	Hamilton Center

Join Orientation Leaders for evening events – dancing, games, movies & more. See a list of activities in Ham for details.

Wednesday, Aug. 21 Day 4: Faculty Advising & Adventures

Current NCF students arrive on campus and move-in for fall semester.

8:30 AM Breakfast Hamilton Center

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM *Orientation Leader Group Meeting – Your 1st Faculty Advisor Meeting!*

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Faculty Group Advising** Academic Center (ACE)

New student's first meeting with faculty (academic) advisor. ***Don't be late!*** *Go early and find your room / table.*

12:00 PM Lunch with Orientation Groups Hamilton Center

Meet with your Orientation Leader to go over your faculty meeting and get ready for mini-classes tomorrow.
Make plans & get rides for your afternoon's "adventures."

12:00 PM – 3:00 PM Information Technology Help Hamilton Center mailroom

Trouble connecting your computer? Drop by our temporary station for quick help with technical set-up / campus log-in.

1:00 PM **Choose your own Adventure**

Many adventures available on and off-campus, talk to your OL & review our ***posted schedule in HAM*** *for details.*

Explore the local sites in small groups with current student leaders as your local guides. Various on-campus activities also available. Make plans to meet a group of new friends with any Orientation Leaders or Resident Advisors.

RSVP *for Community Service: SouthEastern Guide Dogs (2 PM – 5:00 PM) to vista@ncf.edu.*

Open House *(1 PM – 3 PM)*: **Hal C. Ball Anthropology Laboratory & Seminar Room** – *Interested in Anthropology? Learn about requirements for this AOC and classes offered this semester; followed by Q&A with our current Anthropology Lab Teaching Assistant. Presentations start at 1pm and 2pm.*

Open House: Fitness Center – *drop by and tour our facilities, workout or take a dip in the pool.*

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Dinner Hamilton Center

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: G1, G2 ACE 329
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: H1, I1, I2 ACE 329

7:00 PM – 9:30 PM Mocktail Retro Costume Party College Hall, Bayfront

Wear your favorite 60's, 70's or 80's clothes & dance past sunset on the bay with all your New College friends. Please remember that New Student Orientation events are substance-free. See you at the bay!

10:00 PM – 12:00 AM Evening Activities *(optional)* Hamilton Center

Join Orientation Leaders for evening events – dancing, games, movies & more. See a list of activities in Ham for details.

Thursday, Aug. 22 Day 5: First day of Mini-classes

Meal times, Hamilton Center: Breakfast 8:15 AM – 10:30 AM / Lunch 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM / Dinner 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

8:40 AM – 5:00 PM **Mini-classes** **Sudakoff, HCL 7, HCL 8**

Choose classes that interest you, meet professors, watch for your faculty advisor. (Attend as many classes as you can throughout the day.) Meal times in Hamilton Center are also posted in dining area.

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Dinner Hamilton Center

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: J1, J2, K1	ACE 329
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: K2, L1, H2	ACE 329

7:00 PM **Orientation Group: Mini-classes** **Various Locations**

Meet with your Orientation Leader to review your faculty advisor negotiations and mini-class schedule, go over weekend plans & arrange transportation to go shopping for groceries or school supplies, meals and local sight-seeing adventures.

10:00 PM – 12:00 AM Evening Activities *(optional)*

Join Orientation Leaders for evening events – dancing, games, movies & more. See a list of activities in Ham for details.

Friday, Aug. 23 Day 6: Second day of Mini-classes

Meal times, Hamilton Center: Breakfast 8:15 AM – 10:30 AM / Lunch 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM / Dinner 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

8:40 AM –1:00 PM **Mini-classes** **Sudakoff, HCL 7, HCL 8**

Choose classes that interest you, meet professors, watch for your faculty advisor. (Attend as many classes as you can.)

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Advising with Faculty Sponsors** **Various Locations / TBD***

**Your faculty advisor schedules this 1-on-1 meeting with you on Wednesday (8/21) morning to start the conversation about your contract. Be sure you know where to find his/her office and arrive early! Bring a snack or bottled water in case you miss a meal time. Come prepared to talk about your personal goals and a list of classes you want to take this semester.*

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Dinner Hamilton Center

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: L2, N1	ACE 329
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Information Literacy Assessment, Groups: N2, O1, O2	ACE 329

7:00 PM ***Getting a Grip: Mastering Your Sexuality*** Sudakoff

*College is all about learning – learning in an academic setting, about the world and about yourself – and living away from home for the first time can be confusing. To navigate through it all you need to have the correct tools! Join **Megan Andelloux** as she discusses sexuality, methods for safer sex, orientations, and being comfortable with your desires.*

10:00 PM – 2:00 AM Wall-ternatives In the Crease

Join your Orientation Leaders for substance-free evening events. See the list of activities in Ham for details.

Saturday, Aug. 24 Day 7: Day of Service & Community

7:00 AM – 12:00 PM ***Community Service:*** **Habitat for Humanity** *(sign up, limited space)*
RSVP to vista@ncf.edu Help build affordable housing for families in need.

7:00 AM – 12:00 PM SCAT / Carpool: Farmer's Market, downtown Sarasota at Main St. & Lemon St.

TBD, SCAT / Carpool: SCAT to Super Target, Best Buy, Game Stop Michaels Crafts, Bed Bath & Beyond University Pkwy (near I-75)

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Waterfront Party: Sail Club Event Old Caples

Bring your swimsuits and join us on the bay for sailing, surfing and fun exploring New College Sail Club. Food, music and good times provided. Please remember that New Student Orientation events are substance-free. See you at the bay!

10:00 PM – 2:00 AM Wall-ternatives In the Crease

Join your Orientation Leaders for substance-free evening events. See the list of activities in Ham for details.

Sunday, Aug. 25: Last Day of Orientation

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM **One Step at a Time** **Sudakoff**

Bringing New College campus community together to participate in a privilege and identity awareness workshop.

7:00 PM **Orientation Groups – Last Meeting** Various Locations

Meet with your Orientation Leader to review your fall schedule and answer any questions about the first week of classes or important contract deadlines. Walk to RA skit for some fabulous homegrown entertainment – New College style.

8:00 PM **The RA Skit:** ***defining community*** Sudakoff

Join your OL group for a final farewell to Orientation Week. Applaud your RA's as they make you laugh and gasp, welcome you to our New College family and get you ready for your first day of classes as a Nuovo Collegian.

Upcoming Events:

Monday, Aug. 26 1st Day of Fall Classes

Tuesday, Aug. 27 Club Fair Z-green

Discover the many student organizations on campus; join a club, meet new friends & get connected to campus programs.

Wednesday, Aug. 28: 4 PM – 7 PM Welcome Back Bayfront Barbeque Bayfront Campus

The New College community, students, faculty, staff, trustees, and families are invited to a barbeque celebrating the beginning of the 2013-2014 Academic Year. Hosted by the President's Office.