

Fall 2022 Parent and Family Orientation

Institute for Achievement and Learning Welcome

Wednesday, Aug. 17, 4 -6 p.m.

Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center

- 4–5 p.m. **Institute for Achievement and Learning Only – Families & Student Welcome**
Hear from our Executive Director of the Institute for Achievement and Learning as well as a conversation from Housing and Residence Life about adjusting to life on campus.
- 5–6 p.m. **New parents welcome with Melissa Knight and Dylan Kendrick**
This session will discuss parent and academic expectations.

International Parent and Family Welcome

Thursday, Aug. 18, 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

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International students and families are invited for special sessions regarding studying and living in the United States.

- 9:30–10 a.m. **Welcome**
- 10 –10:30 a.m. **Health and safety in the USA**
Learn more about your U.S. health insurance policy, the U.S. health care system and how to stay safe and be aware of the laws that affect you and your F-1 status.
- 10:30–11:45 a.m. **Cultural transition to the U.S.**
Cultural adjustment is difficult for many students, even those who have spent time in the United States prior to college. In this session, you'll learn to understand your own cultural lens through which you view the world, lenses others may bring to social situations and gain perspective on the cultural context in which you now find yourself.
- 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m. **Academic rules and writing**
Academic cultures are different everywhere, so faculty will help introduce you to the Lynn academic culture. We will cover the most common issues that international students have when working with professors and completing writing assignments.
- 1–2 p.m. **Lunch on your own**
- 2–3 p.m. **Internships and working in the U.S.**
Many questions about employment are brought up during orientation and the first week of classes. This session will help you understand the types of employment you can apply for while on an F-1 visa, the eligibility requirements for each, and how and when to begin looking into these options.
- 3–4 p.m. **Practical Matters: from banking to social security to driver's licenses**
This presentation will cover more than just how to get a social security number, but also how and when your SSN is used, the importance of keeping the information private, how to avoid scams and fraud, and other applicable topics. We will also cover the process of getting a driver's license and a bank account, as well as leave time for specific questions you may have.

Parent and Family Address and Reception

Thursday, Aug. 18, 7–9 p.m.

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All parents and families are invited to hear from Lynn leadership and enjoy a meet and greet with other first-year parents.

7–8 p.m.

Welcome address

Wold Theatre

Welcome to the Lynn family! Hear from campus leadership, including President Kevin M. Ross, Dr. Anthony Altieri, vice president of student affairs, and Dr. Katrina Carter-Tellison, vice president for academic affairs, about ways that you can support your student throughout their time at Lynn.

8–9 p.m.

Reception

Wold Lobby

Join us for refreshments while you meet other parents and Lynn leadership.