

New Zealand Spring 2024 Orientation Schedule

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Orientation Expectations

- Per overseas program guidelines, students who miss orientation meetings jeopardize their acceptance to the overseas program. Absences are only excused in cases of emergency.
- We will not be using electronics during orientation. Please plan to come with a dedicated orientation notebook and pen/pencil for activities. Orientation materials will be printed for you. Please be sure to bring any printouts with you to our meetings.
- Arrive on time. Punctuality will be critical on our program, and it is critical in orientation.

Orientation Meetings (on campus, unless specified)

- Tuesday, September 12th, 7:00-8:30pm
- Tuesday, October 3rd, 7:00-8:30pm
- Tuesday, October 17th, 7:00-8:30pm
- Sunday, October 29th, 5:00-6:30pm
- Sunday, November 12th, 5:00-6:30pm
- Sunday, December 3rd, 5:00-8:00pm (off campus pre-departure celebration)

Orientation Schedule (subject to change)

Sept 12th: Introductions & Expectation Setting

- Before our meeting, please read:
 - [New Zealand Program Description](#)
 - [Why We Travel](#), Pico Iyer

Oct 3rd: Program Introduction

- Guest speaker: Andrew Martin, Program Director

Oct 17th: Expectation Setting, Cross-Cultural Experiences

- Before our meeting, please read:
 - Go Global, Think Local. Ethical Issues in Student Travel, by Adam Kaul and Seung Hwan Kim (available on Google Classroom)

Oct 29th: Identity Abroad & Getting to Know Aotearoa

- Guest Speaker, Kaitlin Sommerfeld

Nov 12th: Packing, Finances & Logistics

- Guest speakers: Program alumni

Dec 3rd: Pre-departure Celebration, location TBD