Friday–Saturday, September 4–5

International student arrivals and informal programming at International House

Sunday, September 6

1–5:30 p.m.

Bus trip to Fox River Mall to purchase necessary items
Departing from International House
Shuttles will return to campus at 3 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

7 p.m.

Welcome Dinner
Esch Hurvis Room (Warch Campus Center)
• Enjoy dinner with Nancy Truesdell, vice president for student affairs; Curt Lauderdale, dean of students; Leah McSorley, director of international student services; Cecile Despres-Berry, TSA Waseda program director; Nicole Buenzli, director of international admissions and other admissions and student affairs staff
• Following dinner, Vice President Truesdell and Dean Lauderdale host dessert in the Hurvis Room (Warch Campus Center)

Monday, September 7

7:30 a.m.

Informal breakfast with upperclass students
Andrew Commons (Warch Campus Center)

8:15 a.m.

Immigration presentation for F-1 and J-1 students
Briggs Hall room 421/223
• International student immigration forms
• Regulations and procedures
• Legal rights, responsibilities and requirements in the United States with Office of International Student Services staff

Learning at Lawrence
Briggs Hall room 420
• An overview of academic culture and available resources at Lawrence
• Discussion about U.S. classroom expectations
• Tour the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL)

Global nomad panel and discussion
Briggs Hall room 422
A group discussion and networking opportunity for students with U.S. passports and global identities. Global nomads include dual citizens, permanent residents, U.S. citizens who grew up abroad and Third Culture Kids (TCKs).

10:30 a.m.

Student employment
Esch Room (Warch Campus Center)
• Student employment, student payroll and taxes with human resources and financial aid staff
• Resources for finding an on campus job
• Collection of immigration paperwork and documents (passports, forms I-20 or DS-2019) by Office of International Student Services

Noon

Lunch
Esch Room (Warch Campus Center)
Student ID photos for students who have not already had them taken—in the ID office

1 p.m.

Life at Lawrence
Esch Room (Warch Campus Center)
• An introduction to life at Lawrence including natural environment and social relationships
• Strategies for adjustment, problem solving and fun Wisconsin culture!
2:30 p.m.

Bridging borders
Esch Room (Warch Campus Center)
Session led by upperclass students discussing adjustment to life in the United States and Lawrence

3:30 p.m.

Think About It training
Designated computer labs
Students must complete the online Think About It training that provides educational information to navigate college life. Topics include maintaining healthy relationships, safety and tools for making difficult decisions while on campus.

6:30 p.m.

Dinner on your own

7:30 p.m.

Think About It training, continued
Designated computer labs (optional) or on your own
Students are required to complete the remainder of the online “Think About It” training on Monday night.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Breakfast on your own
Andrew Commons (Warch Campus Center)
Opens at 7:30 a.m.

8:15 a.m.

Questions, review, and return!
Cinema (Warch Campus Center)
• Opportunity for questions
• Review of materials from the previous day
• Return of immigration paperwork

9:00 a.m.

Discussion of banking and personal finances
Cinema (Warch Campus Center)

10 a.m.

Health and wellness tour
Departing from Cinema (Warch Campus Center)
Information about medical insurance, student health and health services, counseling services and wellness and intramural programs.
Presenters:
• Erin Buenzli, director of wellness and recreation
• Director of health services
• Scott Radtke, associate dean of students for health and wellness

11:30 a.m.

Lunch on your own
Andrew Commons (Warch Campus Center)

12:30 p.m.

Trip to U.S. Social Security Administration
Meet at Wriston Turnaround
Travel to U.S. Social Security Administration offices to begin the application process for a Social Security number.
Remember to bring immigration documents.

Refer to Welcome Week 2015 booklet for orientation activities starting after lunch on Tuesday, September 8, 2015