

New & Transfer Student Orientation

Students who are new students or transferring 15 credits or less should plan on beginning their day at 9am as we have prepared sessions to help welcome you to Southern!	8:30AM– 9:00AM Adanti Student Center 1st Floor	Orientation Check-In and Continental Breakfast	We are excited to welcome you to Southern Connecticut State University! Please sign in, grab a bite to eat, and mingle with staff and other students.
	9:00AM– 9:15AM ENG A120	Morning Greetings	Dr. Peter Troiano, Interim Vice President of Student and University Affairs, and Dr. Marianne Kennedy, Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, will welcome students and families.
	9:15AM– 10:00AM Varies	Connection Session with Orientation Ambassadors	You will be separated into groups based on the number of credits you have earned and/or your selected major course of study. Orientation Ambassadors, or OA's, who are energetic and knowledgeable student leaders, will facilitate discussions and help you prepare for the day's sessions.
	10:00AM– 10:45AM Varies	The Power of Choice: A Classroom Experience	Led by a faculty member, this session will focus on the power of choosing a liberal education. You will discuss the choices that will help you succeed as a student.
	11:00AM– 11:30AM ENG A120	Continuing Your Academic Journey	Frank LaDore, Director of Academic Advisement, and Nicole Henderson, Director of the First-Year Experience program, will provide an overview of the Southern academic experience. This session will focus on understanding the value of a liberal arts education, academic programs, general education, major requirements, and academic advisement.
	11:30AM– 12:15PM ENG A120	New Student Academic Schedules <i>New Students</i>	You will receive your Fall 2011 class schedule at this time. You will review your schedule with Nicole Henderson, Director of the First-Year Experience program, faculty, staff, and student leaders.
	11:30AM– 12:15PM	Transfer Student Academic Success	Frank LaDore, Director of Academic Advisement will lead a discussion on tips, advice, and important information for transfer students to successfully transfer to academic life at Southern.
	12:15AM– 1:00PM ASC Ballroom	Lunch and Resource Fair	After visiting the Resource Fair in the ASC Ballroom, relax and have some lunch with your new classmates outside of the Adanti Student Center Theatre.
Students transferring 16 credits or more.	12:00PM-1:00PM Adanti Student Center Ballroom	Registration for students transferring 16 or more credits.	If you have earned more than 16 credits, you should plan on registering during this later registration period. Once you check-in, tour the University Resource Fair and enjoy some light refreshments. Students that haven't registered for their courses at this time can meet with an academic advisor.
Students transferring 16 credits or more.	1:00PM-2:00PM ENG A120	Continuing Your Academic Journey	Frank LaDore, Director of Academic Advisement and Nicole Henderson, Director of the First-Year Experience program, will provide an informative session about the Southern academic experience for transfer students. This session will focus on understanding the value of SCSU's liberal arts.
Students transferring 16 credits or less.	1:00PM-2:00PM ASC Theatre	Find Your Space at Our Place	Get ready for a fun and interactive session where you'll learn about Southern's extracurricular and co-curricular opportunities, how to get involved in campus life, be a leader, and serve the community. Let us help you find your place!
Students transferring 16 credits or more.	2:00PM– 3:00PM ENG A120	Transfer Student Success	Frank LaDore, Director of Academic Advisement will lead a panel discussion which will include members from various offices at Southern that will offer important information for transfer students to successfully transfer to academic and student life at Southern.
Students transferring 16 credits or less.	2:00PM– 3:00PM ASC Theatre	Residence Life <i>Resident Students</i>	If you are living on campus in the Fall, you will meet the Director of Residence Life Dr. Angela Todaro, visit your Fall assigned residence hall, see a sample room, meet the staff and other first year students in your hall, and maybe even meet your future roommate. This will be a quick introduction to residence hall life and an opportunity to get your questions answered.
Students transferring 16 credits or less.	2:00PM– 3:00PM Varies	Commuters <i>Commuter Students</i>	If you are commuting to campus in the Fall, meet outside of the ASC Theatre. Once there, you will have the opportunity to learn about the life of a commuter, discuss some of your concerns, and meet the individuals who will help you on your road to success.
Resident Students <i>All Students</i>	3:00PM– 4:00PM Varies	Residence Life Tours	If you are living on campus in the Fall 2011, you will have an opportunity to tour a Residence Hall and speak with Residence Life staff.
Commuter Students <i>All Students</i>	3:00PM– 4:00PM Meet in Academic Quad	Campus Tours	Orientation Staff members will lead small group campus tours. Explore Southern's campus and everything it has to offer.
All Students	4:00PM–5:00pm ASC Theatre	Orientation Leader Panel Discussion	As you wind down the day, attend this panel discussion with our Orientation Leaders. They will be prepared to share their experiences as well as answer any questions you may have.