



2023 International Student Orientation Semester One

06 February – Monday Orientation Day 1		
Time	Activity	Venue
08:00	War Cries led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
08:30	Welcome Performance led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
09:00	Welcome Address by Vice Chancellor Prof. Mamokgethi Phakeng	NLT
Energiser led by Orientation Leaders		
09:20	Welcome Address by International Academic Programmes Office (IAPO) by Director Dr. Quinton Johnson	NLT
Energiser led by Orientation Leaders		
09:40	Welcome Address by Student Representative Council (SRC) by President Ms. Hlengiwe Gugulethu Lisa Dube	NLT
Energiser led by Orientation Leaders		
10:00	Meet the International Academic Programmes Office (IAPO) led by Dr. Quinton Johnson	NLT
10:20	Understanding Academics at UCT led by Ms. Shelly Herbert and Dr. Yue Ma	NLT
11:00	QnA about Academics at UCT led by Ms. Shelly Herbert and Dr. Yue Ma	
12:00	Lunch	
13:00	Cultural Orientation Session One: Introductions and Expectations for your time at UCT led by Ms. Kim Reynolds and Ms. Florence Aruko	NLT
14:00	Divide into groups and move venues	
14:20	Homeroom Session led by Orientation Leaders	Various Venues
15:20	Move to Computer Labs	
15:30	Digital Literacy led by the Centre for Innovation in Learning and Teaching	South Side & Bessie Head Labs
End of Day One		

07 February – Tuesday		
Orientation Day 2		
Time	Activity	Venue
08:00	War Cries led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
08:30	Welcome led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
08:40	Cultural Orientation Session Two: Navigating Culture Shock led by Ms. Kim Reynolds and Ms. Florence Aruko	NLT
Energiser Led by Orientation Leaders		
11:00	Interactive Drumming with Drum Café	NLT
12:00	Lunch	
13:00	Safety in Cape Town Presentation by Mr. Sidwell Ntshibilikwana	NLT
Pop quiz (with prizes!)		
13:30	Office of Inclusivity and Change: Sexual Safety and Consent Culture presentation by Ms. Stella Msungu	NLT
13:55	Office of Inclusivity and Change: Disability Services presentation by Ms. Lesego Modutle	NLT
Pop quiz (with prizes!)		
14:20	Student Wellness Service Presentation by Ms. Robyn Wolff Delport	NLT
Pop quiz (with prizes!)		
14:50	Divide into groups	
15:00	Campus Tours led by Orientation Leaders	UCT Upper Campus
15:30	Homeroom Session Led by Orientation Leaders	Various Venues
16:30	End of Day two	

08 February – Wednesday		
Day 3		
Time	Activity	Venue
08:00	War Cries led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
08:30	Welcome led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
08:40	Cultural Orientation Session Three: Understanding UCTs decolonial project led by Ms. Kim Reynolds and Ms. Florence Aruko	NLT
Energiser led by Orientation Leaders		
10:50	Meet your SRC International Student Representative and International Student Forum: Mr. Thalente Gumbi	NLT
Pop Quiz (with prizes!)		
11:20	Understanding the conditions of your visa by Visa & Immigrations Coordinator Ms. Fiona Erispe	NLT
11:40	QnA about visas and immigration led by Ms. Fiona Erispe	NLT
Energiser led by Orientation Leaders		
12:10	Introducing the IAPO Buddy Programme led by Ms. Sibahle Muthwa	NLT
12:30	Lunch	
13:30	Getting Involved at UCT: What are societies and how to sign up. Led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
14:00	Cultural Orientation Session Four: Being an Active Student led by Ms. Kim Reynolds and Ms. Florence Aruko	NLT
Energiser led by Orientation Leaders		
15:10	Debrief and Feedback Session led by orientation leaders	NLT
15:30	Peninsula Tour Briefing led by Ms. Sibahle Muthwa	NLT
16:00	Peninsula Tour Wristband Collection led by Orientation Leaders	NLT
16:30	End of Day 3	

09 February – Thursday Day 4		
08:00 – 17:00	Welcome Festival Organised by the Department of Student Affairs	UCT Rugby Fields, Upper Campus

10 February – Friday Day 5		
07:45 – 18:30	IAPO Peninsula Tour	Bremner Building, UCT Middle Campus

The entire IAPO orientation program shall occur in New Lecture Theatre on the South side of UCT's upper campus. [Click Here](#) to view a map of UCT's upper campus. **New Lecture Theatre can be found in grid 1C**

Please ensure that you bring money for or a packed lunch for each day of orientation.

- *Homerooms are small interactive groups lead by orientation leaders meant to provide a space for greater conversation, interaction and friendship making.
- ** The Welcome Festival is an interactive fun day in which students will be granted the opportunity to sign up for sports clubs and societies of their choosing as well as interact with other first year students. This festival is free of charge for incoming first years. Food will be provided, and it shall occur on the UCT rugby field.
- *** The Peninsula Tour will take students on a scenic tour of beautiful Cape Town, stopping at the Cape of Good Hope, Cape Point, and Simons Town. Get up close to penguins at Foxy Beach and enjoy other activities. The tour is free for incoming international students, with limited seats at a first come, first serve basis. Lunch will be provided.