

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN
FALL 2019 PH.D. ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Sessions marked with an asterisk (*) will be held in room 245 Altgeld Hall

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

*9:15 – 9:30 Distribution of Orientation Packets

*9:30 – 9:45 Introduction to Department of Mathematics
Professor Jeremy Tyson, Chair
Professor Lee DeVille, Director of Graduate Studies

*9:45 – 10:15 Welcome and Overview of PhD Program
Professor Lee DeVille, Director of Graduate Studies

10:15 – 10:30 Break (coffee in 239 Altgeld Hall)

10:30 – 12:00 Division into Small Groups (See enclosed tan schedule)

Advising Sessions (see enclosed schedule)

- After your advising session, you should register for classes through UI Self-Service. <https://apps.uillinois.edu/selfservice/index.html>. If you haven't already registered!
- First Year PhD students must register for Math 499 (1 hour) in addition to their regular courses.
- Course descriptions can be found at:
https://math.illinois.edu/system/files/inline-files/graduate-course-descriptions-FA19_0_1.pdf

12:00 – 1:00 Luncheon for New Graduate Students, 239 Altgeld Hall
Introduction to Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM)
Emily Shinkle and Heejoung Kim

*1:00 – 2:00 Policies and Resources:
Professor Lee DeVille, Director of Graduate Studies

2:00 – 5:00 Practice Teaching (see enclosed schedule)

2:00 – 3:30 Advising Sessions (see enclosed schedule)

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MONDAY, AUGUST 19

10:00 – 1:00 Comprehensive Exam (241 AH) - Math 540 – Optional

10:30 – 12:00 Advising Sessions (see enclosed schedule)

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*2:00 – 3:00 Panel: Illinois Geometry Lab (IGL)

3:00 – 5:00 Faculty Reception for new Graduate Students (239 AH)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

10:30 – 12:00 Advising Sessions (see enclosed schedule)

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12:00 – 1:00 International TAs only: please see the enclosed green schedule on the
“Graduate Symposium, required sessions for ITAs”

*1:00 – 2:00 Panel: Grad Student Question & Answer
Xiaolong Han, Adriana Morales, Mina Nahvi, Souktik Roy, Navjot Singh

2:00 – 5:00 Comprehensive Exam (241 AH) - Math 500 – Optional

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

9:00 – 12:00 Comprehensive Exam (241 AH) - Math 542 – Optional

*12:00 – 1:00 Pizza Lunch sponsored by the GEO (Graduate Employees' Organization)

*1:00 – 1:30 Photo Session for anyone who has not had their pictures taken for the Graduate student board

*1:30 – 2:00 Funding Opportunities for PhD Students
Professor Lee DeVille, Director of Graduate Studies
Dr. Karen Mortensen, Associate Director of Graduate Studies

*2:00 – 3:00 Panel: Faculty Question & Answer for Grad Students
Professors Jared Bronski, Richard Laugesen, Eugene Lerman, Zoi Rapti, and Bruce Reznick

6:00 pm – ? Dinner at the home of George and Bettina Francis for all new students
(see enclosed invitation in packet for address and directions)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

9:30 – 4:30 TA Training (314 Altgeld Hall)

The Schedule for the TA training will be sent to you via your Illinois email account once it is set.
Please make sure to show up at the designated time.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

9:30 – 4:30 TA Training (314 Altgeld Hall)

Saturday, August 24, 6 p.m. AWM Welcome Picnic West Side Park

For all first year students, sponsored by Association for Women in Mathematics (See flyer for address)

Please let Mina (mnahvi2@illinois.edu) know if you're planning on attending and have a food allergy!

Events for New Graduate Students

Welcome Reception for New Graduate Students

This celebratory event is a great way for graduate students to kick-off the new year, especially students new to campus. It's an opportunity to talk with current students, ask questions about campus, win prizes, and enjoy some light refreshments. New and current students are invited to attend.

Monday, August 26, 2019

4 - 6 p.m.

Illini Union, Illini rooms A, B, C, and South Lounge

Graduate Assistant Employee Orientation (for TAs, RAs, GAs, and PGAs)

Co-sponsored by Academic Human Resources and the Graduate College, [this employee orientation](#) provides information for teaching, research, pre-professional, and graduate assistants regarding appointments and benefits. Offered twice.

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Illini Union, room 404

3 - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Illini Union, room 314A

9 - 10:30 a.m.