

2023 S.J.D. Orientation Schedule



Tuesday, August 15

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Ridge Commons

Administrative Check-In [All, Required]

ID Cards, Lockers, Campus Tour, Resource Lunch, IT Workshop

2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Room 104, Trickett Hall

Welcome to Penn State Dickinson Law and Introductions [All, Required]

Anthony C. Ogden, Director, International Programs and Graduate Education

4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Ridge Commons

Welcome Social – S.J.D., LL.M. and Exchange Students [All, Optional]

Wednesday, August 16

8:30 to 9:00 a.m.

Ridge Commons

Morning Networking [All, Optional]

Coffee and pastries available

9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Room 258, Trickett Hall

S.J.D. Academic Advising & Planning [All, Required]

Professor William Butler
Professor Sara Gerke

10:45 to 11:30 a.m.

Room 104, Trickett Hall

Understanding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Within a U.S. Law School Context [All, Required]

Giselle Santibañez-Bania, Associate Dean for Academic and Student Services

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

300 S. College Street

International and Graduate Student Welcome Luncheon [All, Optional]

Danielle M. Conway, Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Room 104, Trickett Hall

Introduction to U.S. Law [All, Optional]

Shaakirrah Sanders, Associate Dean for Antiracism and Critical Pedagogy

5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

36 Conway Street

Happy Hour [All, Optional]

Anthony C. Ogden, International Programs and Graduate Education

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Thursday, August 17

8:30 to 9:00 a.m.

Ridge Commons

Meet and Greet with Admissions Ambassadors, Faculty and Staff [Optional]

Coffee and pastries available

9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

*Apfelbaum Family
Courtroom and
Auditorium*

Convocation: A Welcome to Penn State Dickinson Law [Required, Business Casual]

Bekah Saidman-Krauss, Associate Dean for Admissions and Financial Aid

Danielle M. Conway, Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law
Shaakirrah R. Sanders, Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Antiracism and Critical Pedagogy

Rachel James, 2023-24 Student Bar Association President

Faculty and Staff Introductions

Honor Code and Professionalism Pledge [All, Required, Business Casual]

Samuel Roos, 2023-24 Student Honor Code Committee

Laura H. Williams, Honor Code Administrator and Associate Dean for Administration

10:15 to 11:00 a.m.

*Dickinson Law Library and
Room 120, Trickett Hall*

Orientation to Dickinson Law Library [Required]

Sabrina Sondhi, Director of the Law Library

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Room 120, Trickett Hall

Career Development for International Students [Optional]

Tom Lee, Director, Office of Career Services

Rosalind Lister, Assistant Director, Office of Career Services

12:00 to 1:30 p.m.

Ridge Commons

Networking Luncheon with Current LL.M. and S.J.D. Students [Optional]

1:45 to 2:45pm

Room 258, Trickett Hall

Introduction: S.J.D. Research Methods (DLSJD 902) [Required]

Professor William Butler

3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Ridge Commons

Penn State Dickinson Law Community Welcome Reception [All, Optional]

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Friday, August 18

10:45 to 11:00 a.m.

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Courtroom and
Auditorium*

New Student Photos [Required]

Wear Penn State Dickinson Law Black T-shirt

11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Room 120, Trickett Hall

Health Matters: Navigating the U.S. Healthcare System and Health Insurance [Optional]

Heather R. Klinger, University Health Services

International students should read the website information

Requirements for International Students at

<https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/requirements-international-students>
prior to this session.

12:30 to 1:45 p.m.

Room 120, Trickett Hall

Resource Luncheon with Administration [Optional]

Pamela Knowlton, Registrar [Course Registration]

Bekah Saidman-Krauss [J.D. Admissions]

Rebecca Schreiber, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid
[Financial Aid]

Allison Lintal, Professor & CPT Liaison

Tom Lee, Director, Office of Career Services

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Room 112, Trickett Hall

**iStart Immigration Mandatory Document Check-In
[All International Students, Required]**

Penn State Global, International Student and Scholar Advising

Bring personal laptops

Students must complete the appropriate regulatory training prior to this session and receive a certificate of completion.

F-1: <https://training.global.psu.edu/f-1-government-regulations>

J-1: <https://training.global.psu.edu/j-1-government-regulations>

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Saturday, August 19

Various Start Times

Various Locations

3:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Todd Hall, 21 N. Pitt Street

Wellness and Service Activities [Optional]

Optional small group activities; advance sign up required.

Community Conversation Reception [Optional]

Optional reception with Dickinson Law students; advance sign up required.

Friday, August 25

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Dickinson Law Lawn

Welcome (Back) Festival

Optional gathering to learn how you can become involved in our campus community and beyond.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Dr. Anthony C. Ogden — Cell: 814-574-0120

Penn State Police and Public Safety — Cell: 717-422-0936

Fire and Police — 911

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