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Emergency
In the event of an emergency, call Campus Police, x100 from campus phones or simply pick up one of the blue-light phones.

Emergency Contact Information
Provide your emergency contact information and check your biographic record on WebSIS at:
https://emergency.mit.net:444/mitalert/stustaff

Bicycle Registration
Register your bicycle with MIT Parking and Transportation. This is a FREE service and is highly recommended. There are approximately 100 bikes stolen a year. Bikes that are registered are less likely to be stolen, especially when locked with a “U” lock. Register at http://web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/bicycle_reg.html and a sticker will be mailed to your campus address.

COOP Hours
The MIT COOP at Kendall Square is open:
Monday to Friday 9:30 am to 6:30 pm
Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
We are closed Sundays and most major holidays.
Beginning September 2, 2012, the extended hours are:
Sunday, September 2 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
Monday, Labor Day, September 3 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Tuesday, September 4 through
Friday, September 7 9:30 am to 7:00 pm
Saturday, September 8 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Student Life and Learning Website
Use the Student Life and Learning website to find resources and info. you need as an MIT student. From academics to finances, and community life to health and safety, the website can point you in the right direction. Click students under community on the MIT homepage or http://web.mit.edu/student. Get the latest updates on student life and learning at MIT: @MITstudents twitter: http://www.twitter.com/MITstudents
## Orientation Center

The Office of Undergraduate Advising and Academic Programming officially welcomes you to MIT. If you have any questions or concerns about Orientation, feel free to call x3-6772 from any Institute phone, or visit the Coffee House during the following times:

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If you have questions on days other than those listed, please visit the Orientation Office in 7-103, located at the beginning of the Infinite Corridor. Our office phone number is (617) 253-6772.

## Access to Recreational and Athletic Facilities

Activate your student ID card before the Freshmen Swim test for full use of DAPER (Department of Athletics, Physical Education and Recreation) facilities. Simply stop by the main desk at either facility. There is a short form to fill out. This will reduce your time at the swim test. You will be given a red towel card that can be exchanged for a towel each time you come to the facility. The red towel card will be returned to you when you return the towel.

## PE Registration

To register for Quarter 1 classes, you may register 8 am, Wednesday, August 29 through 1 pm, Wednesday, September 5.

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.

For course schedule and Frequently Asked Questions, please go to http://mitpe.com
Don’t Worry!
Take a deep breath! You’ve done it! After all of the time and energy that you have put in, you have ultimately found your way to MIT. Give yourself a pat on the back. You’ve completed quite the journey. As time goes on, you will realize that every step has led you down the path to one of the most important, exciting and memorable experiences of your life. The sheer breadth of opportunities might be daunting, but don’t worry. All of your explorations will lead to one end: a proud graduation.

Carpe Diem! Head out into Boston. Get to know the rest of your class. Investigate MIT’s nooks and crannies. Check out all of the awesome events. The Hitchhiker’s Guide to Orientation is your tool. Use it to map out your experience carefully, or not — sometimes you need to surprise yourself.

You are ready for new and challenging obstacles. You will overcome some challenges individually, but you’ll discover you won’t be able to do it all by yourself. Fortunately, you have one of the most brilliant and creative student bodies here to help you on your journey. On the way, remember that it is not just about your destination, but the experiences you have getting there. Make the most of it. Before you realize it, you will have a diploma in hand, ready to conquer the next challenge that awaits you. When you do, know that MIT will always be here for you.

The 2012 Orientation Committee:
Jesse Triplett  Orientation Intern
Matt Heiser      Graduate Intern
Kara Brown      Staff Associate
Katie Julian    Staff Associate
Elizabeth Young  Associate Dean

Orientation Captains:
Matthew Barron  Monica Isava  Ben Potash
Valerie Chia    Tim Jenks     DJ Ronde
David Couto    Amanda Olender Kyle Smith
Patrick Dayton  Katia Paramonova Josh Zeidman
International Orientation Begins

The 2012 International Undergraduate Orientation is sponsored by the International Students Office (ISO) and is designed for international freshmen and transfer students. The program precedes MIT’s orientation program and is designed to introduce international students to life at MIT and Cambridge. The program begins Monday, August 20 with a welcome breakfast. All incoming international students MUST attend these mandatory sessions: the Medical Center Presentation, the Immigration Session, and the Banking and Loans Session. The official orientation program schedule with times and locations will be listed on the ISO website, http://web.mit.edu/iso. The International Students Office is open 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday. The number is (617) 253-3795 or x3-3795 from any Institute phone.

Office of Undergraduate Advising and Academic Programming (UAAP)

In addition to organizing Orientation, the UAAP provides services and programs to promote the academic success and personal development of students. Staff can connect you to advising and academic resources, UROP opportunities, IAP exploration, and mentoring on personal issues. The UAAP is open 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. The number is (617) 253-6771 and the email contact is: uaap-www@mit.edu. More info. can be found at: http://mit.edu/firstyear/

Monday, August 20

International Orientation Begins
Transfer Orientation Begins

Transfer Student Orientation is organized by the Office of Undergraduate Advising and Academic Programming. The program, which precedes MIT’s freshman orientation program, is intended for all new transfer students, and is designed to introduce these students to academic and social life at MIT. Transfer Student Orientation officially begins with Check-in on Wednesday, August 22. Transfer students are expected to pick up their MIT ID and orientation folder in the UAAP (7-104). All transfer students must attend orientation events on Wednesday, August 22 – Friday, August 24. Following this programming, transfer students are invited and strongly encouraged to attend freshman orientation events.

Details of orientation for transfer students can be found on the Transfer Student web site:

Thursday, August 23

3:00 pm  
Student Center Steps

Newbury Street Tour

Grab delicious food and check out the boutiques, salons, and more on one of the most enchanting streets in Boston. Then, take a walk through the beautiful Boston Public Garden before returning to Newbury for more shopping. (Bring money for food and shopping.)

5:30 pm  
Student Center Steps

Take the T to Harvard

Come with us on the Number 1 Bus to Harvard Square and learn how to use a Charlie Card. Once there you can do some shopping, grab a bite to eat, or enjoy a street performance if you’re lucky. If you really want to, you could even check out that other school down the road. (Bring money for food and shopping.)
Friday, August 24

10:00 am  
**Student Center Steps**

**Galleria**
Take the free shuttle from Kendall Square to the Cambridge Side Galleria. It’s the nearest mall with great clothing, food, electronics and more. (Bring money for shopping.)

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
**W11**
**Hillel Shabbat Services** (Reform, Conservative, Orthodox)

7:00 pm  
**W11**
**Hillel Shabbat Dinner**
Arriving for freshman, transfer, international or graduate orientation? Join with other students for a festive Shabbat dinner at Hillel. If possible, please let the Hillel office know if you can join us, so we can be sure to have enough food! Please RSVP to Lizzie at elrosen@mit.edu

5:00 pm  
**Student Center Steps**

**Faneuil Hall Marketplace**
See one of the city’s oldest marketplaces. Join us on a tour of the hundreds of specialty shops, restaurants and the famous Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market. Then stroll over to Haymarket for some fruits and vegetables, and grab a meal at an old establishment or just enjoy the street performers in the square. (Bring money for food and shopping.)
Throughout the day Various Residence Halls

Dorm Exploration Activities
Get a jumpstart at getting to know the 12 dorms! Check out the schedule of events at http://web.mit.edu/dormcon/REX/.
You’re welcome and encouraged to visit dorms besides the one you are assigned to!

9:00 am W11
Hillel Orthodox Shabbat Services

10:30 am Student Center Steps
Museum of Science
Get in free to the Museum of Science with your MIT ID and check out the two-story Van de Graaff generator, the dinosaur exhibit, the planetarium, the IMAX Theater and other awe-some exhibits. (Bring money for food and shopping.)

11:00 am Student Center Steps
Galleria (See Galleria on page 8.)
Saturday, August 25

12:00 pm  
**Hillel Shabbat Lunch**  
Join us for shabbat lunch. If possible, please RSVP to slamit@mit.edu

1:30 pm  
**Library and Kendall COOP Tour**  
Did you know there are five main libraries along with several branch libraries and archives in our library system at MIT? Take an exciting and informative walking tour focusing on the MIT Libraries. Hear highlights of each library’s collections and services. We’ll also visit the COOP, where you can buy books and more for class and for fun. The first 10 students to attend will receive an AMC-Loews movie pass, compliments of the MIT Libraries.

3:00 pm  
**Newbury Street Tour**  
Grab delicious food and check out the boutiques, salons, and more on one of the most enchanting streets in Boston. Then, take a walk through the beautiful Boston Public Garden before returning to Newbury for more shopping. (Bring money for food and shopping.)

3:00 pm  
**Galleria**  (See Galleria on page 8.)

4:30 pm  
**Take the T to the North End**  
Come check out the best places for Italian food in downtown Boston. Along with being the oldest residential neighborhood in Boston, the North End is also a great place for desserts, including the famous “Mike’s Pastries.” You will also get a chance to use the Boston subway system - the “T”. (Bring money for food.)
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm  Amherst Alley, Next, New, Burton-Connor, MacGregor
West Side Dorms Block Party
Come over to the west side of campus for a fun-filled night! Next, Burton-Connor, MacGregor and New will entertain you with games, food, dancing and much more. See what the west side dorms have to offer! The carnival has started and you are all invited!

10:00 pm  Kresge Auditorium
Saturday Night Movie
Enjoy a classic 90’s movie to get into the Olympics spirit! The Orientation Committee will be screening Cool Runnings for your viewing pleasure. Come on over to Kresge to mingle with your new classmates and share a few laughs to this fun, childhood film.
Sunday, August 26

Orientation Begins

9:00 am
**Kresge Auditorium**
**Tech Catholic Community**
“Welcome Mass” followed by reception in Kresge Lobby.

9:30 am - 10:30 am
**W11 - Main Dining Room**
**Baptist Brunch and Services**
Join us for a light brunch and brief service with prayer and worship, and introduction to the Christian community at MIT. Also, learn about other local churches in the Boston area. Parents and students are welcome to attend before the convocation. Sponsored by Baptists, but all are welcome.

12:00 pm
**W11**

**Hillel Kosher Lunch**
Welcome to MIT orientation! New students and their families are invited to a kosher lunch at Hillel. For more information, please contact Lizzie at elrosen@mit.edu

Site Opens at 12 pm
**Online**

First Year Residence Exchange (FYRE) Request

Applications Available

During Orientation and Residence Exploration (REX) you will have an opportunity to investigate MIT’s diverse residential communities and decide whether you would like to stay in the dorm you were assigned to over the summer or you would like to submit a request to try to move into a different building.

Enter at http://web.mit.edu/housinglottery/. Refer to page 48 for description. Deadline to request a switch is Wednesday, August 29th at 2:00 am!

2:00 pm
**Student Center Steps**

**Galleria** (See Galleria on page 8.)
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm  Walker Memorial (Morss Hall)
Office of Minority Education (OME)
Parent/Student Reception - Introduction to the OME:
While enjoying some delicious food, meet the OME staff and your fellow freshmen. During this event, you will hear about our mentoring, leadership, graduate school and academic excellence programs. You will hear about ways to maximize your MIT experience by building ties with faculty and getting involved on campus. All parents and students are welcome.

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm  24-612
ESG Open House and Sample Classes
Are you interested in becoming a part of the ESG community? Check out what the Experimental Study Group is all about.

4:00-4:30  “Meet the ESG Staff” session
4:30-6 p.m.  ESG Open House
4:30-6 p.m.  *ESG Information Sessions
*Students must have attended a 30 minute ESG information session in order to apply to ESG. Contact Graham Ramsay (ramsay@mit.edu) to sign up for a session.

4:30 pm  W11 Main Dining Room
Christian Welcome Worship Service
Join this special casual worship gathering for those from Christian background desiring to spend some moments in praise to God on your first day at MIT. Students & parents are invited to join others from non-denominational or other denominational backgrounds.

5:30 pm  W11
Hillel Kosher Dinner
Welcome to MIT orientation! New students and their families are invited to a kosher dinner at Hillel. For more information, please contact Lizzie at elrosen@mit.edu
Sunday, August 26

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Kresge Auditorium
Kick-Off!
Come meet the class of 2016 and your Orientation Leaders! We have a great show organized for you to start your orientation trip through the MIT Olympic grounds. Grab your friends, your sneakers, and your torches before you head on over. Welcome to the MIT Olympics! Don’t forget to stretch!

Afterwards, stick around for a message from representatives of the Undergraduate Association, Dormitory Council, and the FSILGs.

8:30 pm - 1:00 am  East Campus Courtyard
East Side Party
Come to the East Side, where bouncy balls rain in thousands from the sky. Ride the rides, scream down the roller coaster, and wrestle in things never before wrestled in. And as you dance in the smoke, the lights, the thumping dreamscape of an unstoppable party, you too will taste the sweet nectar of freedom.
Throughout the Day

**REX Activities**
Continue to explore the dorms in your spare time! Get upperclass residents to give you a tour and talk with current residents—they don’t bite! (See page 9 for details.)

8:00 am - 11:00 am

**Math and Physics Advanced Standing Exams**
- Calculus (18.01)
  - Location: 4-163
- Physics (8.02)
  - Location: 2-190
Breakfast will be available to those registered to take the test.

9:45-11:00 am

**Terrascope/Mission New Student Orientation**
If you’ve enrolled in Terrascope/Mission, please plan to attend this information session and brunch. Faculty, staff and program alums will be on hand to answer your questions. For info, call the Terrascope office at 617-253-4074, or email us at terrascope@mit.edu.

10:30 am - 11:00 am

**Meet Your Orientation Leader**
Meet your Orientation Leader and Orientation group before Convocation begins. (Rain location: Johnson 1st floor)

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

**President Reif’s Convocation and Welcome**
President L. Rafael Reif officially welcomes you and your family to the MIT community. Come celebrate the greatness that is MIT!
(Rain Location: Rockwell Cage)
Monday, August 27

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm Each Residence Hall

Housemaster Welcome Brunch
President Reif just welcomed you to the Institute. Now it’s time to be welcomed into the residential side of MIT. Meet your Housemasters, Graduate Resident Tutors and members of your house government, and have some tremendous food. This is a great opportunity to get acquainted with your new residence and learn some basic “rules of the road.” Attendance at this event is required for all new students. Parents should reference the Parent Orientation schedule for activities specific to them.

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Math Diagnostic
The Math Diagnostic for Physics Placement is a mandatory paper/pencil test. Check your check-in folder for your room assignment or check the bulletin board outside room 7-103.

4:00 pm - 6:30 pm 32-141, 32-155

Make-up Freshmen Essay Evaluation (FEE)
The Make-up FEE is required for all entering undergraduates who have not either (1) taken the online FEE, or (2) received a score of 5 on either the AP Language and Literature Test or the AP Literature Composition Test. Students who have already taken the online FEE may not take the Make-up FEE. (Students whose primary language is not English should see the description of the English Diagnostic Review).

4:00 pm - 6:30 pm 14E-310

English Diagnostic Review
Mandatory for all entering students for whom English is not the primary language, except those students who took the online FEE over the summer. Students who took the online FEE, even if they did not pass it, should not take the English Diagnostic Review.
Monday, August 27

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
**E14-525**

**MAS Freshman Learning Community Open House**
Come find out about the research and design-oriented freshman learning community at the MIT Media Lab. Meet instructors and freshman program “alumni.” Pizza will be served.

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
**24-612**

**ESG Open House and Sample Classes**
Are you interested in becoming a part of the ESG community? Check out what the Experimental Study Group is all about.

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
**16-128**

**Concourse Open House**
Come visit to learn more about the Concourse learning community. You’ll have a chance to speak with faculty and alums of the program. Light snacks will be available.

5:30 pm  
**Kresge Auditorium**

**Tech Theatre: How to MIT**
Student Life = Student Success + Student Problems.
Fun Stuff: boys/girls, friends, parties, being on our own, lovin’, MIT
Not Fun Stuff: Dealing with boys/girls, annoying friends, parties, being on our own, bad lovin’, MIT
Created and presented by MIT students for MIT students.

After the presentation, join your Orientation Leaders for food and good conversation regarding life outside the classroom. Word on the street is that this is the best event of Orientation.
Monday, August 27

8:00 pm - 9:00 pm Mezzanine, Student Center
Minority Meet and Mingle Mixer
(Ice Cream Social)
In an informal, relaxed setting (while enjoying some delicious ice cream), have some fun meeting first-year and current MIT minority students. This is a great way to get connected and make friends that will last a lifetime. The Office of Minority Education staff will also be in attendance. Bring a friend!

10:00 pm - 1:00 am Baker House
Baker House Presents SKYLINE:
Come dive into orientation with the hottest party of the night at the most social dorm on campus! Featuring a dance floor, live DJs spinning today’s hottest beats, and refreshments! Party with your fellow freshmen, Baker and Simmons residents and the ladies of McCormick.

10:00 pm - 1:00 am Random Hall
Random Hall Rumpus:
Have you done 17 impossible things before breakfast yet? Rejoice in the Revelry of the Random Rush Rave! Rock out Radically! Juggle poi on the roofdeck; we’re still attempting to keep things airborne, despite gravity’s best efforts otherwise. Cuddle with cute kittens. Tetris is trivial; come play ntris. And top everything off with pancakes because it’s always a good morning.
8:00 am - 11:00 am
Math and Physics Advanced Standing Exams
Calculus (18.02) 54-100
Physics (8.01) 2-190

9:00 am - 12:00 pm  Various Residence Halls
REX Activities
It’s your last day to check out any dorms you’ve missed before the housing lottery closes! Take that tour you’ve been meaning to take and ask upperclass residents your last-minute questions. They’ve been through it all before. Fun, last-minute REX activities await. (See http://web.mit.edu/dormcon/REX/ for specific events).

9:30 am - 11:30 am  24-612
ESG Open House
9:30-11 a.m. ESG Open House
9:30-11 a.m. *ESG Information Sessions
5 p.m. ESG Online Applications Due
8 p.m. List of freshmen lotteried into ESG posted on the ESG website

*Students must have attended a 30 minute ESG information session in order to apply to ESG. Contact Graham Ramsay (ramsay@mit.edu) to sign up for a session.

10:00 am - 11:00 am  T-Club Lounge
Zumba@MIT
Get a head start on setting your college workout schedule this morning while learning dance moves for tonight. Join MIT women in Zumba, an exhilarating, easy, calorie-burning, Latin-inspired dance workout. Bagels and juice to follow. Brought to you by the Women’s Orientation Committee
MAS Freshman Learning Community Q&A Session and Sign-Up
Your chance to ask any last-minute questions about our program and to sign up for it.

Terrascope/Mission New Student Orientation
Terrascope/Mission New Student Orientation (alternative date)
Orientation session for students in Terrascope/Mission who are not able to attend the orientation session on Monday, August 27. Faculty, staff and program alums will be on hand to answer your questions. For info, call the Terrascope office at 617-253-4074, or email us at terrascope@mit.edu.

Meet your Orientation Leader on Kresge Oval
(Rain Location: Rockwell Cage)

Core Blitz
Hear firsthand from MIT professors the inside scoop on all your core curriculum classes. Gain helpful insights into the academic options available to first-year students.

Lunch With Associate Advisor & Orientation Leader
Meet your Orientation Leader on Kresge Oval to meet and have lunch with your Associate Advisor for the coming year.
(Rain Location: Student Center, Various Rooms)
Tuesday, August 28

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm  Johnson 1st Floor

Academic Expo
Talk and interact with faculty members and students from MIT’s departments and learning communities. Have all your questions answered by those who know best.

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm  Rockwell Cage

“Gateway” to Athletics, Physical Education and Recreation at MIT
DAPER Gateway is an ideal introduction to one of MIT’s most exciting departments and its programs. Information on physical education, intramurals, club sports, open recreation and MIT’s 33 intercollegiate athletic programs will provide you with the knowledge needed to pursue opportunities within one of the nation’s most expansive and unique competitive experiences.
Tuesday, August 28

3:00 pm - 6:00pm  Rainbow Lounge, 50-005

LBGT @ MIT “Samosas and Smoothies”
Join us for some great food and drinks in the Rainbow Lounge and connect with other new and returning undergrads. You will also have the chance to meet some faculty and staff who work with Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay and Transgender Programs. So come and hang out and have a great time. Friends and allies welcome too! Interested in more information about other LBGT programs, clubs and offerings? Email lbgt@mit.edu or visit the website: lbgt.mit.edu/

4:00pm-5:00pm  Room 10-250

Computing at MIT: MITnet, IS&T, Athena and you!
Bring your laptop, tablet, or other wi-fi device. Together we’ll make sure you have a reliable, secure connection to MITnet. You’ll learn about computing resources at MIT; printing; security tips and best practices; how to obtain free and discounted software; and how to get help. We’ll also provide you with a brief introduction to Athena, MIT’s campus-wide Linux environment, which includes many useful services and lots of academic software. Learn how to find your way around the Athena environment, use Athena services on your personal computer, and how to access and manage your personal storage space and web space. We will also be raffling off some gift cards.

4:00 pm  Kresge Oval

East Vs. West Side Water War
Take part in the epic battle that is the official East vs. West campus WATER WAR! Visit your dorm, or any dorm you pledge your loyalty to in the hours before 4 pm to take part in the construction of water bearing and water hurling contraptions (plus the filling of water balloons). Take your place among fellow residents in the march to the final face off on Kresge Oval at 4 pm on the dot - where the East side meets the West side. Winner takes all! If you’re late, just come on over to join in on the fun. Which side will claim VICTORY?!
5:00 pm  24-612
ESG Applications Due by 5:00 pm

5:30 pm  Kresge Oval
Meet Your Orientation Leader for Dinner
Meet your Orientation Leader on the Oval and meet with your group to discuss campus life and get any questions answered. (Rain Location: Kresge Lobby)

6:30 pm  Current Residence Hall
Communities Who Care
Join the student leaders in your living group to learn about the ins and outs, ups and downs of MIT Life. Most importantly meet the people in your house who can give you the resources you need for a successful year.

7:30 pm  Online
Results of ESG Students Posted Online

9:00 pm  Coffeehouse 3rd Floor Student Center
Waffle Night
Unlimited waffles? For free? Can you dare to get used to it? YES! Brought to you twice a semester by Save TFP. Check us out -- savetfp.mit.edu/

2:00 am (Wednesday, August 29)  Online
Deadline to Submit a First Year Residence Exchange (FYRE) Request Application
(See page 48 for details)
Wednesday, August 29

**Opens Today at 8:00 am**

**Physical Education Registration Opens**
To register for Quarter 1 classes, you may register Wednesday, August 29 through 1pm, Wednesday, September 5. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.
For course schedule and Frequently Asked Questions, please go to http://mitpe.com

**8:00 am - 11:00 am**
**Walker Gym 50-340**
**Chemistry Advanced Standing Exams**
Chemistry (5.111)
Check in with a TA in Walker, First Floor

**9:00 am - 11:00 am**
**16-128**
**Concourse Orientation**
If you are enrolling in Concourse, please plan to attend this event. Breakfast will be provided.

**9:00 am - 11:00 am**
**McCormick Brown Living Room**
**Survivor Freshman Year: The Women’s Brunch Edition**
Enjoy a delicious brunch and meet inspiring women in the MIT community. Join us and indulge in an informal brunch with special guests including faculty, staff, and upper-class women who have been there and done that. The brunch will be amazing, and you can ask us anything. Really, anything. We promise.
*Brought to you by the Women’s Orientation Committee*

**10:30 am**
**Deadline for Freshmen to accept a place in ESG**
Deadline for freshmen to accept a place in ESG - email Holly Sweet (hbsweet@mit.edu) to confirm one’s place.

**12:00 pm**
**Kresge Oval**
**Meet your Orientation Leader on Kresge Oval**
Have a great lunch before a day of interactive activities!
(Rain Location: Kresge Lobby)
1:45 pm - 5:00 pm

**Diversity and Sex Signals**

Please ask your Orientation Leader for your room assignments.

1st Block  
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm  
**Groups 1 - 42**  
La Sala de Puerto Rico  
**Groups 43 - 86**  
Kresge Auditorium

2nd Block  
3:45 pm - 5:00 pm  
**Groups 1 - 42**  
Kresge Auditorium  
**Groups 43 - 86**  
La Sala de Puerto Rico  
(Check Kresge Lobby Info Desk if you lose your group)

**Diversity and Inclusion**

Wondering what these terms have to do with you? With MIT? With your development into a leader?

MIT is rich with a tremendous variety of culture, creativity, character and experiences. How well have your experiences prepared you to enter the diverse environment that is MIT?

This program will provide you with an opportunity to learn about your new community as well as some of the challenges and opportunities presented by living and learning at MIT. Our presenters will introduce the range of diversity that exists at MIT, how it contributes to our unique culture, and how we engage one another through inclusion opportunities. They will also explore with you your own values and ways you can develop practical skill sets for engagement.

**Sex Signals**

Sex Signals provides a provocative, in-your-face look at “the good, the bad and the ugly of dating.” Through humor and audience participation, the show explores how mixed messages, gender role stereotypes and unrealistic fantasies contribute to misunderstandings between the sexes.
Wednesday, August 29

6:00 pm  Online

First Year Residence Exchange (FYRE) Request: Notifications Available
Check online at http://web.mit.edu/housinglottery/ to determine if your request to switch buildings has been granted. Proceed directly to your new residence hall for the In-House Rooming process or your currently assigned hall if you did not receive a switch (you will always default to your current assignment if you were not reassigned).

If you have a new building assignment, please check your email for important information regarding Inter-Dorm Move Day (Thursday, August 30). All moves into permanent residence hall assignments will take place in the morning on Thursday, August 30th. Check with your new residence hall for moving and event information.

7:00 pm  Your Permanent Residence Hall

Residence In-House Rooming Process
All students will report to the building they are currently assigned to or have switched into. Every dorm has a different process for selecting an internal rooming assignment so it is VERY important to arrive at your dorm on time. They will have important information about the logistics of Inter-Dorm Move, so be sure to attend the meeting.
Thursday, August 30

Beginning 9:00 am  Residence Halls

*Residence Hall Assignment Check Out and Check In
Moving to a different dorm? Don’t forget you MUST check out of your old room and check in to your new room. Want to avoid carrying your suitcases across campus? Don’t worry. There will be vans and volunteers to help move your bags from one dorm to another starting at 9:00 am sharp. Be sure to start moving at 9:00 am, as the vans will only be running during the morning hours, ending at 12:00 pm. Vans will stop to pick up luggage outside your old dorm’s front desk. More information will be available (to those who are moving) by email the night before.

9:00 am - 5:00 pm  Various Locations

Freshman Advisor/Advisee Meetings
Individual meetings with your advisor and associate advisor to select classes for the fall term and to discuss any academic worries you may have. MANDATORY. You must register TODAY. Look on the bulletin board outside room 7-103 if you forget where to meet your advisor.

9:30 am - 1:00 pm  Z-Center

Mandatory Freshmen Swim Test
This is a mandatory event for all incoming students. Non-swimmers are not expected to take the test, but must report to the pool deck during your time slot to sign up for a swim course. The 100-yard deep water swim test takes approximately 20 minutes. The 10 minute boat test (treading water) is optional. Before September 7, take time to activate your MIT student ID card and practice. To view a video of the swim test, or review Frequently Asked Questions go to http://mitpe.com. **All students completing the swim test OR signing up for a swim class will receive the class of 2016 T-shirt. This is the only time T-shirts will be distributed.
Thursday, August 30

9:30 am - 10:30 am  Z-Center
Swim Test (Group M)
(See above for details)

10:00 am - 12:00 pm  24-612
Registration of ESG freshmen with ESG staff

10:00 am - 5:00 pm  Various Locations
Freshman Explorations
Want to check out some of the many opportunities MIT has
to offer? Want to see the world’s top research facilities? Tour
amazing labs, see cutting-edge research and more. Look in the
Freshman Exploration booklet for times and locations of tours.
You can find this booklet in your orientation folder. Stop by
room 7-103 if you need another copy.

10:30 am - 11:30 am  32-123
All About UROP
A great kick-off to Freshman Explorations! Over 80% of MIT
seniors will take advantage of the UROP program during
their time at MIT. Learn more about Undergraduate Research
Opportunities Program, and how you can be a part of it.

10:30 am - 11:30 am  Z-Center
Swim Test (Group I) - See above for details

11:00 am  Student Center Steps
Galleria (See Galleria on page 8.)

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  Z-Center
Swim Test (Group T) - See above for details
Thursday, August 30

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  Sailing Pavilion

Ladies Day Out on the River
Love the water? Want to see the sailboats up close? Come join the ladies of MIT for a relaxing day on the Charles ... with food on the grill! Drop in anytime to go out on one of the boats or just to hang out.

Brought to you by the Women’s Orientation Committee

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  Kresge Oval

MIT Olympic Games
Meet you Orientation Leader and Orientation group on the oval to compete in the 2012 Orientation Olympics.

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  24-612

Registration of ESG freshmen with ESG staff

2:30pm-4:30pm  W20 Lobby

Computing at MIT: Casual Q&A
Join us for an informal Q&A session in the Student Center. We encourage you to stop by for a few minutes to ask us any computer question that’s been nagging you for the last few days, or join us for the whole hour to find out everything there is to know about using your computer on the MIT network, software and hardware resources that are available to MIT students, and recommendations about best practices and good citizenship on MITnet.
Thursday, August 30

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
**Twenty Chimneys, Student Center**  
The Full 360: Meet MIT Women  
Get wisdom straight from the source -- come hear a variety of women speak about their experiences at MIT, in science, through college and grad school, or anything else. Join us for this interactive panel, we’ll have some questions prepared as well as accepting suggestions from you. Treats and drinks to be provided.  
*Brought to you by the Women’s Orientation Committee*

4:00pm-5:00pm  
**Room 10-250**  
Computing at MIT: MITnet, IS&T, Athena and you!  
(see description under Tuesday August 28, page 22)

5:00 pm  
**11-120 (Student Services)**  
Signed Registration Forms Due  
MANDATORY for freshmen!

5:30 pm  
**Your Permanent Residence Hall**  
House Meeting and Dorm Welcome  
If you moved dorms in the lottery, it’s time to get settled in your new home and to meet your Housemasters, GRTs and fellow residents. This welcome is for all incoming residents, whether you moved in today or before FPOPs. Activities will vary depending on the dorm, but arrive prepared for an entertaining evening. The MIT experience is largely about the people you live with, and this night is where it begins!

6:00 pm  
**W11**  
Hillel Kosher Dinner
Thursday, August 30

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Rainbow Lounge, 50-005
**Queer Women’s Dessert Night**
Lesbians, friends, bisexual girls, trans women, allies and new MIT students! Come meet other MIT students and staff at this welcoming, low-key event. Stop by to check out the Rainbow Lounge or stay for a while longer. LBGT@MIT community members will gladly answer your questions about MIT social and academic life. Interested in more information? Check out the Girls Who Kiss Girls list serve here: http://lbgt.mit.edu/

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Friday, August 31

9:00 am - 12:00 pm  50-340
**Advanced Standing Exam**
Introductory Biology (7.012)

10:45 am  Killian Court Steps
**Freshman Photo**
The Class of 2016 photo will be taken on the steps of Killian Court. **Don’t be late!** (Rain Location: Johnson 1st Floor)
Friday, August 31

11:30 am - 2:00 pm  Kresge Auditorium
**By Students, for Students: Conquering MIT**
You know the MIT curriculum is challenging. You know you have always done well in school. In this session, you will hear from upper class men and women about first year challenges they faced and lessons learned to make MIT their own. The session will be followed by brief small groups discussion over a great lunch with your orientation leaders.

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  Johnson 1st Floor
**Activities Midway**
MIT boasts over 300 student groups and organizations. Discover how exciting they can be! Open to all MIT students.

5:00 pm  Kresge Oval
**Meet your Orientation Leader for Dinner**
Meet with your Orientation Leader and Orientation group for dinner.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  W11
**Hillel Shabbat Services** (Reform, Conservative, Orthodox)

7:00 pm  W11
**Hillel Community Shabbat Dinner**

7:00  Kresge Oval/Chapel Turnaround
**Friday Night Out on the Town**
Enjoy desserts reflective of the cultures and communities in the Boston area in the Kresge Oval.

7:45pm
**Trip to the Aquarium**
Begin boarding buses in front of McCormick Hall by the Chapel to travel to the New England Aquarium to enjoy a night filled with marine life, student group performances, a live D.J., dancing, 3D-Imax movies, prizes and more!
9:00 am
Hillel Orthodox Shabbat Services

12:00 pm
Kresge Oval
Kresge Kickoff - Meet the FSILGs!
Have you ever wondered what Fraternity, Sorority, and Independent Living Group (FSILG) life is really like at MIT? Are you curious why so many of MIT’s most distinguished alumni point to their experiences in MIT’s FSILGs as pivotal to their successes later in life? Have all your questions answered as the MIT Greek and ILG Community begins Recruitment 2012. Meet individual members from each FSILG and find out why more than 45% of MIT undergraduates decide to “Go Greek” or join an ILG. Learn more information about FSILG 2012 Recruitment and network with FSILG members. Spend the rest of the day exploring the great involvement opportunities offered by the 26 IFC fraternities, six Panhellenic sororities and six ILGs at their recruitment events. Be sure to get a copy of the Recruitment Schedule before you leave. Refreshments and snacks will be included.
(Sponsored by the IFC, Panhel, LGC, and the FSILG Office)
(Rain Location: Johnson 1st Floor)

12:00 pm
W11
Hillel Community Shabbat Lunch
Saturday, September 1

6:00 pm  
Johnson Ice Rink, W34 1st Floor
Sorority Recruitment: Information Session and Welcome Party
Wondering about sororities at MIT and how the recruitment process works? Come to this information session to learn why so many talented undergraduate women have chosen to Go Greek! Sorority women strive for excellence in all areas. Each of the six Panhellenic sororities at MIT promotes leadership, academic excellence, service and lifelong friendships through its support network, philanthropy, community service events and social events.
Get the chance to learn more about each individual sorority at this evening’s events and meet other women interested in sorority recruitment. This is the first event of recruitment and all MIT women are encouraged to attend. Come connect and prepare with your Panhellenic Recruitment Counselor (PRC) as you get ready to meet sisters of MIT’s National Panhellenic Sororities to discuss opportunities for scholarship, leadership and sisterhood that sorority membership brings. 30% of undergraduate women at MIT are in a sorority - come learn why!

Sunday, September 2

9:30 am - 10:15 am  
W11 - Main Dining Room
Baptist Brunch and Services
Join us for a light brunch and brief service of prayer and worship and introduction to the Christian community at MIT. Also, learn about other local churches in the Boston area. Sponsored by Baptists, but all are welcome.

9:30 am  
MIT Chapel/W11
Tech Catholic Community Mass
Reception to follow.
Sunday, September 2

9:45 am  Lobdell, W20 2nd Floor

**Sorority Recruitment: Philanthropy Day**

Sorority Recruitment: Philanthropy Day  
You will learn about the national philanthropy of each sorority partaking in formal recruitment, participate in an activity to support their cause, and visit the five sorority houses. When you speak with sorority women today, you’ll learn about events, chapter values, traditions, and more. 
For more information about sorority recruitment after September 2, please email sororities@mit.edu

11:00 am  MIT Chapel

**Protestant Service**  
All are welcome. Sponsored by the Protestant Student Community, American Baptists, Presbyterians, Methodists and the United Church of Christ. Refreshments service after worship.

1:00 pm  MIT Chapel/W11

**Tech Catholic Community Mass**  
Reception to follow.

5:00 pm  MIT Chapel/W11

**Tech Catholic Community Mass**  
Reception to follow.
Labor Day
Registration Day

Ongoing
If you want to change a subject, meet with your advisor. Remember to bring an add/drop form.

Ongoing

HA$$S$$-D Lottery
Some HASS subjects have limited enrollment, which is managed by the HASS-D Lottery. Freshmen who chose to enter the summer HASS-D lottery may view their lottery assignments on their Online Freshman Advising Folder, accessed through the Class of 2016 website: http://web.mit.edu/firstyear/2016/. Transfer students can view their assignments in their pre-registration on WebSIS: http://student.mit.edu.

Students who did not enter the lottery or did not lottery into their preferred subject may still add a HASS-D once the semester starts, if spaces are available. Online registration does not allow students to register for HASS-Ds after the lottery has closed; students wishing to add a HASS-D subject (including subjects also designated as CI-H) should submit a signed Add/Drop form after classes begin.

Questions about the HASS-D Lottery may be directed to the HASS Academic Administrator, Liz Friedman, 4-240, x3-4441, lizf@mit.edu.

9:00 am - 2:00 pm  Johnson 1st Floor
Laptop Registration
Laptop registration is a loss prevention measure where a metal tag is placed on top of your laptop. If removed, it leaves a tattoo stating “stolen property.” Security Tracking of Office Property (STOP) is a system of registering and identifying your laptop. There is a $10 CASH fee. Checks and Tech Cash are NOT accepted.
Tuesday, September 4

10:30 am - 12:30 pm  MIT Museum

Oobleck Bagel Brunch at the MIT Museum
Mingle with friends in the MIT Museum! You’ll get your hands dirty creating a classic non-Newtonian fluid, enjoy a special tour of our exciting exhibits, and learn about ongoing programs and volunteer opportunities at the Museum.

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm  Kresge Oval

Community Fair
Join us for the annual Community Fair and see what local businesses have to offer. Many members of the community will be giving samples, so take advantage of all the great freebies and enter to win exciting raffle prizes. While you’re there, you can learn some healthy strategies for coping with stress, tips on eating well with little money and ways to “cheat sleep” so you can perform at your best! This event is not only packed with food, music and fun, but you will walk away with lots of tips for healthy living and info about the variety of health related resources at MIT and beyond. (Rain Location: Student Center 2nd and 3rd Floors).

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  MIT Chapel

Ice Cream Sundae Fest
Make your own sundae to cool your nerves on Reg. Day. Stop by the lawn outside the MIT Chapel. (Sponsored by the Lutheran Episcopal Ministry)

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  E33-101 (The Rinaldi Building)

Theater Arts Open House
Come meet with Theater Arts faculty, staff, and representatives from student performance groups: Dramashop, Shakespeare Ensemble, Musical Theater Guild, Gilbert & Sullivan Players, Roadkill Buffet and others. Spend one-on-one time with producers, directors and designers, and tour the costume and scenic shops. Find out what’s being produced this season and how you can participate. Food will be served.
First Day of Classes
GOOD LUCK TODAY!

Closes Today at 1:00 pm  
Physical Education Registration Closes
To enroll in a first-quarter physical education course, you must register by today at 1 pm. For quarter 1 course schedule and Frequently Asked Questions, please go to http://mitpe.com

5:15 pm  
MIT Chapel
Blessing of the Backpacks and Holy Communion
Dinner (free) following in W11, Main Dining Room.
(Sponsored by the Lutheran Episcopal Ministry)

6:00 pm  
W11 Lower Level
Welcome Dinner, Meeting & Worship for Baptist Campus Ministry and Baptist Student Fellowship at MIT
Join us for ‘Refuge’ at building W11 in the lower level. All are welcome.
(Sponsored by the Baptist Chaplain’s Office)

7:00pm - 8:00pm  
Room 4-237
Athena & The Command Line
Learn how to navigate using the command line, including file management commands and other common utilities. Learn about AFS permissions and locker software on Athena. Process management and input/output redirection will also be covered. Much of this class will be applicable to the command line on any operating system, including using the “Terminal” application on Mac OS X.
General Information

Association of Student Activities
The ASA provides assistance and advice for MIT’s 450-plus student groups. The ASA distributes office space, assigns bulletin boards, maintains student group mailboxes, organizes the semestery Activities Midway and advocates on behalf of all student groups to the MIT administration. Check us out at http://asa.mit.edu for more information or to learn how to start your own group.

Athena
MIT’s campus-wide academic computing system, Athena is available in many Athena clusters (computer labs) on campus and offers a range of resources including academic software, print services, and file storage. You can also access Athena via secure remote connection, or even install the Athena software on your own computer. Be sure to attend “Computing at MIT” during Orientation to learn about Athena, as well as the MIT network and other IS&T services.

Location of Athena Clusters:
W20-575 (largest)  2-032  12-182  2-225  4-167
37-318  37-332  38-370  56-129  66-080  E51-075
Rotch Library  Barker Library  Hayden Library

Athena Help • Computing Help Desk
Whether you’re working with your own laptop or an Athena cluster machine, whether you’re located in the dorm or elsewhere on campus, IS&T provides help and specialists for your particular interests and requirements. Be sure to attend “Computing at MIT” during Orientation to learn more about and computing and network resources.

Athena Help
Athena consultants provide assistance with using the Athena computing environment and much of the general and academic software available on it.
Phone: 617-253-4435 Email: athena-help@mit.edu

Computing Help Desk
• The Computing Help Desk offers answers and advice on Macintosh, Windows, and Linux systems. We’ll help when you get stuck. We’re also your guides to software available for download through MIT licenses.
Phone: 617-253-1101 Email: helpdesk@mit.edu Walk-in: E17-110 (40 Ames St.), Mon-Fri, 9am - 5pm
http://ist.mit.edu/help
The COOP
Do you have your MIT Cooperative Society membership card yet? If not, come to the Coop to get your membership number and card. Last year Coop members received 8.5% of their Coop purchases back as patronage rebate. COOP MEMBERSHIP IS A GREAT IDEA- JOIN NOW BEFORE YOU BEGIN TO SHOP.

What are the benefits of Coop membership?
1. Opportunity for patronage rebate
2. Periodic members only sale events
3. 10% off online purchases (some exceptions apply)

How do I join?
Visit any of the two campus Coop store locations (Kendall Square and Student Center) and fill out a membership application, call 1-800-368-1882 or apply online at www.thecoop.com

COOP History
Students started the Coop (Harvard Cooperative Society) back in 1882, and students still come first with us. The Coop was founded by a group of Harvard students and established as a cooperative. In the beginning, the Coop was simply a place to buy books, school supplies and coal and wood for those cold Cambridge winters. In 1916, when MIT moved from Boston to Cambridge, the Coop was invited, by a committee of the Technology Alumni Council and joined by the then president of the Institute, Dr. R. C. Maclaurin, to establish a branch store at MIT (The Technology Store). The Coop has been on the MIT campus ever since. The Coop has grown into one of America’s largest college bookstores stocked with almost everything you’ll need on or off campus. Best of all, the annual membership fee is still only $1, as it was in 1882.
DAPER (Department of Athletics, Physical Education and Recreation)
Through the three DAPER units—Intercollegiate Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation—the department brings students, faculty and staff together in educational activities that promote healthy lifestyles, enhance a sense of community, foster growth in leadership and teamwork skills, and encourage the pursuit of excellence.

The MIT athletic complex of 10 buildings and 26 acres of playing fields is one of the most expansive in New England. The 20 acres of outdoor fields includes nine baseball and softball diamonds, 16 tennis courts and Steinbrenner Stadium that features a new field-turf surface with a surrounding 400-meter track. Jack Barry Field, a 100,000 square foot Astroturf field lined for lacrosse and field hockey, is adjacent to the track and helps to shape the outdoor landscape.

The Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center is the crown jewel of the complex and has been considered an architectural marvel since opening in the fall of 2002. The facility features a triple height natatorium, two swimming pools (50 meter, 25 yards), six international squash courts, a multi-purpose court and two floors of fitness.

Also in the hub is the Howard Johnson Athletic Center complete with an ice rink, a 200-meter indoor track and Rockwell Cage, which offers five courts lined for basketball and volleyball. The adjacent DuPont Athletic Center houses rooms for wrestling, martial arts and fencing, as well as a pistol and rifle range.

Additionally, MIT’s athletic facilities include a sailing pavilion, a boathouse for rowing, an indoor tennis bubble and the Alumni Pool and Wang Fitness Center on East Campus.
Web Sites
General DAPER site  www.web.mit.edu/daper
Intercollegiate Athletics  mitathletics.com
Physical Education  mitpe.com
Recreation  mitrecsports.com

Facility Contact Information
DAPER Main Reception (M-F 9a-5p):  617-253-4498
Zesiger Center Main Desk:  617-452-3690
Alumni/Wang Center Main Desk:  617-253-2005
Sailing Pavilion:  617-253-4884
Tennis Bubble:  617-253-1451
Boat House (rowing):  617-253-7961
General Facility Reservations:  617-253-4916

Program Contact Information
Intercollegiate Athletics:  athletics@mit.edu
Physical Education:  mitpe@mit.edu
Recreation:
   Aquatics:  aqualessons@mit.edu
   Club Sports:  csc-officers@mit.edu
   Fitness:  fitness@mit.edu
   Facility reservations:  slett@mit.edu
   Intramural Sports:  im-exec@mit.edu
   Sailing:  sailing-request@mit.edu
Dean on Call
On weekends and between 5:00 pm and 9:00 am on weeknights, a Dean on Call can be reached by calling Campus Police.
(phone: 617-253-1212 or x3-1212 from any campus phone)

Dormitory Council
The Dormitory Council, otherwise known as DormCon, is a student government body that represents all undergraduate dorm residents. DormCon is most involved in REX (Residence Exploration). REX is a time to explore all of the different undergraduate dormitories and their unique cultures. It is a time when, if you wish, you can apply to move to a different dorm from your temporary housing if you find a different community that would be a better fit for you at MIT. Even if you’re not considering switching dorms, REX is a great time to make friends and to learn about all of the different types of people represented by the dorms on campus. DormCon meets bi-weekly to discuss and propose policies and programs that affect the whole dorm system, which include but are not limited to dining, safety, alcohol, facilities, and new dorms. We also organize the assembly of I3. Anyone is welcome to attend DormCon meetings, and if you’re interested in learning more about DormCon or if you have any questions, feel free to e-mail dormcon@mit.edu or visit web.mit.edu/dormcon.
Emergency Management
Cambridge Preparedness:
To learn what the cities of Cambridge and Boston are doing to prepare for emergencies, check out http://www.cambridgema.gov/EM/

Emergency management has 4 key steps, illustrated here:

This site has important information, such as what to put in your personal emergency kit, a list of important emergency contact numbers and MIT emergency preparedness information. In the event of an emergency on campus, this site will also have updated information posted on a regular basis.

MIT Alert: http://web.mit.edu/mit-emergency/mitalert/
Check out this site to sign up to receive emergency notifications on your cell phone. Notifications are sent out in the event of a campus wide emergency. You can email the MIT Alert group with questions or comments at mitalert@mit.edu

SEMO: http://web.mit.edu/semo/
The Security and Emergency Management Office (SEMO) responds to emergency calls on campus, provides card access services, and works with departments on campus to create a safe and secure environment. SEMO additionally is responsible for key requests and manages the MID ID card system. You can email the SEMO with general inquires at security-office@mit.edu

In the Dorms, FSILGs and Labs:
There are numerous people involved with emergency planning and preparedness on campus. Contact your House Manager, Lab Manager, Environment Health and Safety Coordinator or Lead Contact for copies of the emergency response and evacuation plans used in your area. More information can also be found at http://web.mit.edu/environment/ehs/emergency_planning.html
**Emergency Medical Services**
Dial 100 on campus or (617) 253-1212. If you are dealing with a life-threatening situation and you are on the MIT campus, dial 100 from any campus telephone. MIT has its own ambulance service, staffed by student volunteers certified as EMTs. The MIT ambulance is dispatched by the Campus Police and responds to all medical emergencies on campus. MIT EMS can provide ambulance service to MIT Medical or a nearby hospital. If the problem is urgent but not life-threatening, call MIT Medical (617-253-4481) for advice.

**ESG**
Freshmen must participate in a 30 min. orientation session run by ESG before they can apply. Sessions are held from Saturday, August 27 through Tuesday, August 30. Please contact Graham Ramsay (ramsay@mit.edu) to sign up for a session.

**First-Year Experience Program**
The First-Year Experience (FYE) Program would like to welcome you to MIT.
FYE will connect you to faculty, peers, and mentors who are all here to help you build strong connections to the MIT community and beyond. We are your resource – contact us if you need help speaking with your advisor or roommate, finding where your classes are located, or recommending places to explore outside of MIT.
MIT’s First-Year Experience Program will incorporate a shared intellectual and social experience to aid you in your transition to become a successful college student at MIT. Participating in FYE programs, events, and activities will help with your overall academic accomplishments and personal development that is required to be successful in today’s global society.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact FYE@mit.edu or visit us at http://studentlife.mit.edu/reslifeanddining/fye
Fraternities (IFC)
Every year, more than 50% of MIT’s male population decide to make their college experience infinitely more rewarding and exciting by becoming a member of a fraternity, and it’s easy to see why. Joining a fraternity is your opportunity to become friends with people who share your interests, your values, and your future aspirations. Bonds are formed through common activities, academic pursuits, and leadership experiences. Support your academic endeavors by taking part in chapter scholarship programs that focus on your four-year experience and career, not just your problem sets. Meet an extensive network of alumni, assembled from a fraternity community originating in 1873, that is eager to help mentor undergraduates, identify academic and career interests, and highlight opportunities for involvement and exploration.

The fraternity community, as part of the larger MIT community, seeks out opportunities for its members to give back to the campus and the local neighborhoods through social and service initiatives. The members of our community are involved in many campus organizations and hold leadership positions in most. The skill set gained through involvement within a fraternity is invaluable. IFC (Interfraternity Council) Formal Recruitment runs from the Kresge Kick-off on Saturday the 1st to about 2 weeks later (varies across chapters) with bids going out on the 9th. For more information, feel free to email IFC President, Tommy Anderson (ifc-president@mit.edu), IFC Recruitment Chair, Evan Wang (ifc-rushchair@mit.edu), or any fraternity rush chair with questions you may have.
First Year Residence Exchange (FYRE) Requests
During Orientation and Residence Exploration (REX) you will have an opportunity to investigate MIT’s diverse residential communities and decide whether you would like to stay in the dorm you were assigned to over the summer or you would like to submit a request to try to move into a different building. First Year Resident Exchange (FYRE) requests to switch will be available beginning Sunday, August 26th via http://web.mit.edu/housinglottery.

You may request a switch to move to up to 4 other buildings you are interested in moving to. We will do our best to reassign as many students in this process as possible and will let you know if we’ve been able to grant a switch on Wednesday, August 29th at 6PM. Students who are reassigned will move to their new building in the morning on Thursday, August 30th. Those who are not reassigned will remain in their original building assignment.

Please note: Students who were assigned to Maseeh and McCormick Halls are not eligible to request a switch in the FYRE process, and both of these halls are not available to request a switch into. First-year students may request a switch into and out of Maseeh and McCormick halls for the Fall 2013 at the earliest. Please email residence@mit.edu for more information.

IMPORTANT! Students who wish to remain in your assigned residence hall do not have to do anything online. The FYRE process is only for students who wish to request a change of assignment to another building.
Kosher Food
Kosher food during Orientation week is available at least once a day as noted below. Kosher dining is located in the Religious Activities Center, W11.

Fri. Aug. 24: Hillel Shabbat Dinner, 7 pm
Sat. Aug. 25: Hillel Shabbat Lunch, 12 pm
Hillel Kosher Dinner, 5:30 pm, W11
Mon. Aug. 27: Orientation Dinner, Kresge Oval, Kosher Food Available
Tues. Aug. 38: Orientation Picnic Lunch, Kresge Oval, Kosher Food Available
Orientation Dinner, Kosher Food Available
Wed. Aug. 29: Orientation Lunch & Dinner, Kosher Food Available
Thurs. Aug. 30: Kosher Dinner with Hillel, 6 pm, W11
Fri. Aug. 31: Orientation Lunch Kosher Food Available
Hillel Kosher Dinner, 7 pm, W11
Sat. Sept. 1: Hillel Shabbat Lunch, W11

Libraries
MIT’s major library collections are housed primarily in five libraries spread across campus: Barker Engineering, Dewey (management and social sciences), Humanities, Rotch (architecture and planning) and Science. Two of these libraries—Humanities and Science—actually share space in one building, the Hayden Library. Two branch libraries—Lewis Music and Rotch Visual Collections, as well as the Institute Archives and Special Collections also offer access to a wide range of materials. Although the collections of most libraries correspond to one of the schools at MIT, all are open to all students, regardless of department.
Website: http://libraries.mit.edu/
Living Group Council
The Living Group Council represents MIT’s six Independent Living Groups: Epsilon Theta, Fenway House, the Number Six Club, pika, Student House and WILG (Women’s Independent Living Group). ILGs vary from co-ed fraternities to coop houses, each with its own unique culture, always providing a diverse set of experiences to its members. Each ILG offers a living opportunity that you won’t find anywhere else. ILGs are close-knit, inclusive communities with a strong sense of personality, culture, and fun. Most are co-ed, have a communal dining program, and have regular social events. The most important aspects of our communities, however - the culture, social life, and atmosphere - vary widely from house to house; each ILG prides itself on its own unique perks and quirks.

If you might be interested in the ILGs, either as a place to live or just for free food and fun events, come check us out during our recruitment periods. Most of the ILGs hold recruitment at the same time as the fraternities and sororities, starting on September 1st. You can also find more information on the houses’ websites at lgc.mit.edu. See you soon!

Medical Attention
Students who are ill should call 617-253-4481 at any time, day or night. Walk-in urgent care services are available from 7 am to 11 pm, seven days a week at MIT Medical (E23), located at 25 Carleton Street. Urgent Care is closed from 11 pm each night until 7 am, the following day, but calls during those hours are directed to a clinician who can help assess the situation and give advice on what to do next. MIT Medical clinicians are on call 24 hours a day. All registered MIT students are covered by the MIT Student Medical Plan, which covers most services provided at MIT Medical, including primary care, urgent care, mental health and many medical specialties.
Mental Health Services
MIT Medical’s Mental Health and Counseling Service sees students by appointment or during walk-in hours every weekday afternoon (2–4 pm) on the third floor of MIT Medical (E23). Clinicians are on call 24/7 for urgent matters. Call 617-253-2916 (days) or 617-253-4481 (evenings and weekends for urgent matters) to talk with a mental health clinician.

The MIT Activities Committee
(MITAC, pronounced “my-tack”) serves the cultural and recreational needs of the MIT Community. Begun as a pilot program in 1983 to raise community spirit and morale, MITAC now offers over 250 events annually to the MIT Community. Members of the MIT Community may purchase tickets from MITAC - often at a discounted rate - to movies, museums, professional sports, theater, music, dance, family events and special trips. A valid MIT ID is required for MITAC ticket purchases, along with a form of payment (TechCash, Personal Check, Visa, MasterCard, or American Express – no cash sales). To learn more and to view the list of what we have to offer, visit web.mit.edu/mitac

Religious Services
For more information on religious services and activities, visit the MIT Chaplains in the Religious Activities Center, W11, on the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Amherst Street. Also visit: http://studentlife.mit.edu/rl

Residential Network Help
If you need network connectivity help in your dormitory, contact a Residential Computing Consultant (RCC) Phone: (617) 258-9444, http://ist.mit.edu/support/rescomp
Resources
Office of Undergraduate Advising & Academic Programming (UAAP), 7-104, x3-6771
Office of Housing, W59, x3-2811
International Students Office (ISO), 5-133, x3-3795
Office of Minority Education (OME), 4-113, x3-5010
Orientation Office (UAAP), 7-103, x3-6772
Student Disability Services 5-104, x3-1674
Student Life Programs (SLP), W20-549, x3-6777
Student Support Services (S^3), 5-104, x3-4861
Residential Life Programs (RLP), W59, x3-2811

Safety/SafeRide
MIT is located in an urban area. Please be aware of your surroundings. If you are walking around the city or on the outskirts of campus, walk in groups. A safety shuttle, SafeRide, operates from 6:00 pm to 2:30 am Sunday through Wednesday and 6:00 pm to 3:30 am Thursday through Saturday. The shuttle has four routes; two in Cambridge and two in Boston.

For more information on routes and times see: http://web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/shuttles/safe_ride/html. SafeRide vehicles are equipped with GPS tracking devices and can be located on the Internet at http://nextbus.com or by dialing x8-6225. MIT Police provides safety rides in the MIT Police cruisers until daylight. Call 617-253-1212 or x3-1212 if you need a safety escort.

Always be sure to lock your doors when you leave your room. If any of your personal belongings are stolen, file a report with MIT Police. If you have any questions about safety, call MIT Police at x3-1212 or visit the MIT Police Headquarters located in W89. If you have lost an item see: http://web.mit.edu/cp/www/lost_found.htm
Sorority Recruitment (September 1 - September 5)

Why go through Recruitment?
Membership in an MIT sorority can provide you with opportunities to grow as an individual, gain lifelong friends and contribute to your campus and community. Entering into recruitment isn’t binding – you are free to leave if at any point you decide Greek Life is not for you. We encourage you to give the process a try!

About the Recruitment process:
Each Potential New Member (PNM) that decides to go through the sorority recruitment process will be assigned a Pi Rho Chi, or Panhellenic Recruitment Counselor (PRC). Each PRC is an unbiased, temporarily disaffiliated sorority member who is ready to answer any questions you may have about recruitment or sororities in general. Feel free to ask them whatever you want; they’re there to help guide you through the process!

During the first day of recruitment (Saturday, September 1 & Sunday, September 2), you will have the chance to learn about each chapter and set individual objectives for the recruitment process. On the second day of recruitment you’ll have the chance to meet sisters from each of the five sororities participating in formal recruitment: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, and Sigma Kappa* and visit each of the five sorority houses. On the third day (9/3), you’ll have the chance to spend more time getting to know sisters from up to four chapters, and the following day (9/4), up to two chapters. On the final day of recruitment (9/5), bids are given out and you will have a chance to bond with your new chapter! It’s important to come to each day of recruitment; you’ll want as much time as possible to get to know each sorority and have sisters get to know you! If you haven’t registered for recruitment yet, please visit our website at panhel.mit.edu. Going through recruitment is one of the best ways for you to learn about how Greek Life can enhance your college experience at MIT.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email sororities@mit.edu

* Alpha Epsilon Phi will participate in informal recruitment following the formal recruitment period (after Bid Day).

About Panhel:
Recruitment is run by the MIT Panhellenic Association (Panhel), the governing body of MIT’s six sororities. Panhel provides various programming throughout the year (academic, community service, social, etc.) geared towards sorority members, coordinates outreach to all women on campus, promotes campus-wide Greek events, and sets goals and guidelines for membership recruitment.
Undergraduate Association
Welcome Class of 2016! The UA is MIT’s undergraduate student government. As a student leader, you will have a lasting impact on MIT by representing your classmates, and leading projects to improve student life. You will work with a group of dedicated students from all areas of campus to voice the student perspective on a variety of issues ranging from educational policy to the future of the dining program, from MIT’s budget cuts to environmental sustainability, from event planning to funding allocations for MIT’s student groups.

Recent Accomplishments
*Established the “Rate Your Driver” feedback system for MIT shuttle buses

*Funded over 50 student-alumni dinners

*Funded over 100 student-faculty dinners

*Successfully advocated for a program to provide transportation to away sporting events

Learn more by visiting our table at the Activities Midway and checking out ua.mit.edu for more information on what issues the UA is tackling, the events and programs we are planning, and how you can get involved.
Phone Numbers
Residence Halls
Baker House  253-3161
Bexley Hall    258-9863
Burton-Conner 253-3261
East Campus   253-2871
MacGregor House 253-1461
Maseeh Hall    253-2811
McCormick     253-5961
New House      253-6561

Includes:
Chocolate City
French House
German House
Spanish House
I-House

Next House  253-8761
Random Hall 258-6344
Senior Haus 253-3191
Simmons Hall 253-5107
# Phone Numbers

**Fraternities, Sororities and Independent Living Groups**

(RC indicates the cell number of a Rush Chair)

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If you have any trouble contacting an FSILG, you are encouraged to call the FSILG office, W20-549, (617) 253-6777
Epilogue

Congratulations!
The qualifiers are over. With Orientation behind you, you are now part of the Institute. These legendary halls are yours, from the Infinite Corridor to the Great Dome of Olympus. Take the many opportunities along the way to enjoy yourself. Join clubs. Try new food. Dance in the rain! This will be the best time of your life. In just two years, you’ll have your own gold medal to show off, a brass rat. And in a mere four you’ll be on the winner’s podium at graduation, shaking President Reif’s hand. We MIT students are meant to do good in the world, and you’ll be no different. THIS. IS. MIT!

Your Orientation Intern,

Jesse Triplett
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Housing Department
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Medical
MIT ID Card
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Office of the Chancellor
Office of the Dean for Student Life
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Office of Facilities
Office of Minority Education
Office of the President
Parking Office
Residential Life Programs
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Student Life Programs

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