**AUCA ORIENTATION 2017**

***CHANGE & DEVELOPMENT***

 Welcome, new students of AUCA! The Orientation Program is designed to facilitate the transition between your previous learning experience and the one that awaits you at the university. This year’s program adopts the theme of “Change & Development”. Our Orientation events are packed with academic, social, and community service learning activities that foster development, freedom and AUCA’s values as a liberal arts institution.

The goal of the academic sessions is to introduce you to the interdisciplinary and challenging study culture of AUCA, which includes creative, yet fun, learning experiences and intensive writing across a variety of genres and texts. You will read, explore, and work extensively on texts through writing and other creative approaches. Although it might be difficult to imagine what to expect in your first weeks of university, the goal is to enable you to experience a glimpse of the challenging and unique intellectual learning culture in a liberal arts institution in Central Asia.

 While you might be wondering how you can savor all activities that will last for ten days, bear in mind that the Orientation Program is a great way to start an exciting journey of your university life and beyond as well as to make new friends and lasting memories. Make the most of it as you read all the information (given in an orientation package) and participate in the events planned for you.

 We hope that you will learn not only important information on academic issues, institutional policies, and regulations, but also gain a first-hand understanding of the liberal arts learning within a diverse community, while making social connections that will remain with you throughout your academic career and beyond. We look forward to your active participation as we welcome you to our AUCA community!

**Wednesday, August 16**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office/person** |
| **8:30–9:10** | ***Registration*** | **In front of AUCA building (south side)** – Office managers of major programs, Student Life Office, volunteers, SSC  |
| **9:10–9:30** | ***“Mixer”*** | **In front of AUCA (south side)** – Student Life Office, volunteers |
| **9:30–10:00** | ***Welcoming Ceremony*** | **FORUM**AUCA President,Student Life Office, Director of Orientation Program  |
| **10:00–10:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **10:10–11:30** | ***Session 1*** | **Group # - room #**1 – room G 342 – room G 353 – room 3014 – room 4355 – room 4346 – room 4107 – room 4048 – room 2209 – room 30310 – room 30411 – room 30612 – room 30713 – room 30814– room 30915 – room 40816 – room 40517 – room 40918 – room 40719 – room 20620 – room 207**Corresponding faculty** |
| **11:30–11:40** | ***Break*** |  |
| **11:40–13:00** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **13:00–13:50** | ***Lunch Break*** |  |
| **13:50–15:10** |  ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **15:10–15:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15:20–16:00** | ***“What is an AUCA Education?”*** | **FORUM**AUCA President  |
| **16:00–16:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **16:10–16:30** | ***Presentation of the Shared Service Center***  | **FORUM**SSC Director, volunteers |
| **16:30-18:00** | ***Shared Service Center Session: ID cards*** * International students should attend a parallel session on “Visa, Registration, Medical Insurance, and Accommodation Issues”. If they have not submitted a photo for KICB card, they should have their photo taken on August 17th.
 | SFW + MATH+SCIEN – **room 435**BA+SOC – **CH I**PSY+ LAS+ JMC+TV, Film +ES **– room 410**ICP+IBL+ANTH – **room 434**ECO **– room 220**SSC Director, SSC agents, volunteers |
| **16:30 –18:00** | ***Parallel Session FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS******Visa, Registration, Medical Insurance, Accommodation Issues meeting*** | **Room G34**International Student Office, Medical office, SSC agent |

**Thursday, August 17**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **8:00 – 8:40** | **Parallel Session*****Groups 1-3 Library Session*** ***Groups 4, 5 - User X***  | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |
| **8:40 – 9:20** | **Parallel Session*****Groups 4,5 - Library Session*** ***Groups 1-3 - User X*** | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |
| **8:00 – 9:20** | ***Photo session for KICB cards*** *\**(for students who have not submitted a photo for the card)\**Students from groups 1-5 should attend parallel sessions on “Library Tour and User X”.*  | **Room C07** SSC agents |
| **9:20–9:30** | ***Break*** |  |
| **9:30–10:50** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:50–11:00** | ***Break*** |  |
| **11:00–12:20** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:20–13:10** | ***Lunch Break*** |  |
| **13:10–14:30** | ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:30–14:40** |  ***Break*** |  |
| **14:40–17:00** | ***Survival Day “AUCA Graphia”******Note****: Announcement will be made before the “AUCA Graphia” about the English Placement* *Test and meeting of NGA graduates with AUCA President* | **FORUM,** Student Life Office Director of Orientation Program |
| **17:00– 17:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **17:10–17:40** | ***Meeting with New Generation Academy graduates*** | **Room 410** AUCA President |
| **17:10–18:00** | ***Shared Service Center Session: Study agreements*** *\*New Generation Academy graduates should join after session with the President* | SFW+MATH+SCIEN – **room 435**BA+SOC – **CH I**PSY+ LAS+ JMC+TV, Film +ES **– room 410**ICP+IBL+ANTH – **room 434**ECO **– room 220**SSC agents  |

**Friday, August 18**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **8:00–9:10** | ***English Placement Test*** | **Rooms:****410** (Groups 1-3),**434** (Groups 4-6)**220** (Groups 7-9)**435** (Group 10-11)**CH I** (Group 12-20)FYS Director and FYS Faculty |
| **9:10–9:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **9:20–10:40** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:40–10:50** | ***Break*** |  |
| **10:50–12:10** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:10–13:00** | ***Lunch Break**** ***Please note that you have only 50 minutes for lunch!***
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| **13:00–13:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **13:10–14:10** | ***Academic Success: Academic Expectations, Components of the Degree, General Education Overview, and Learning Skills******+******Presentation on WARC and its services*** | **CH I** (Groups 1-13)**Room 434** (Groups 14-16)**Room 410** (Groups 17-20)Academic Advising Coordinators,GenEd Head, WARC |
| **14:10-14:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:20-15:00** | ***Financial Aid and Scholarship Session*** | **CH I** (Groups 1-14)**Room 434** (Groups 15-20)Scholarships and Financial Aid Office  |
| **15:00–15:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15:10–16:00** | ***“Unique Spirit” – AUCA Students’ Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct***  | **FORUM**Groups 1-20Dean of Student Life Office, Student Life Office , volunteers |
| **16:00–16:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **16:10–16:50** | **Parallel Session*****Groups 6,7 – Library Session******Groups 8, 9 - User X***  | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |
| **16:50 –17:30** | **Parallel Session*****Groups 8,9 – Library Session******Groups 6,7 - User X***  | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |

**Monday, August 21**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **9:00–9:10** | ***“Warming up”***  | **FORUM**AUCA TV, Student Life Office, volunteers  |
| **9:10–9:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **9:20–10:40** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:40–10:50** | ***Break*** |  |
| **10:50–12:10** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:10–13:00** | ***Lunch Break**** *Please note that you have only 50 minutes for lunch!*
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| **13:00–14:20** |  ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:20–14:30** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:30–15:30** | ***Introduction to Online Registration******“Online registration tutorial”***[***http://onlineregistration.auca.kg/en/help/student/***](http://onlineregistration.auca.kg/en/help/student/) | **Rooms:****CH I** (groups 1-13), **410** (groups 14-16 )**434** (groups 17-20) Registrar, SSC |
| **15:30–15:40** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15:40–16:20** | ***PPD, Campus Security, and Fire Safety issues*** | **FORUM**Security Office and Physical Plant Department |
| **16:20–16:30** | ***Break*** |   |
| **16:30–17:10** | **Parallel Sessions*****Groups 10 - 12*** *–* ***Library Session******Groups 13 -15 User X*** | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |
| **17:10 – 17:50** | **Parallel Sessions*****Groups 13-15*** *–* ***Library Session******Groups 10- 12 - User X*** | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |

**Tuesday, August 22**

 **Reminder: Deadline for mini-essay submission to respective teachers!**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **8:00–8:40** | **Parallel sessions*****Groups 16, 17 – Library Session*** ***Groups 18-20 – User X*** | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |
| **8:40 – 9:20** | **Parallel sessions*****Groups 18-20 – Library Session******Groups 16, 17 – User X*** | Library **(Room 330)**IT **(Room 434)** |
| **9:20–9:30** | ***Break*** |  |
| **9:30–10:50** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:50–11:00** | ***Break*** |  |
| **11:00–12:20** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:20–13:10** | ***Lunch Break*** |  |
| **13:10–14:30** |  ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:30–14:40** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:40–15:40** | ***Meeting with Academic Advisors******“Online Registration Tutorial”***[***http://onlineregistration.auca.kg/en/help/student/***](http://onlineregistration.auca.kg/en/help/student/)\*Office Managers of major programs should bring checklists to this meeting | SFW + MATH+SCIEN – **room 435**BA+SOC – **CH I**PSY+ LAS+ JMC+TV, Film +ES **– room 410**ICP+IBL+ANTH – **room 434**ECO **– room 220** |
| **15:40–15:50** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15:50 – 16:20** | ***SIDP (Student Initiative Development Program) Presentation*** | **FORUM**SIDP Coordinator |
| **15:50–16:20** | ***Parallel Session on “Online registration tutorial” in labs for foreign students and students from the regions*** | **Computer labs rooms** # G31, G30 and 233 Advising Office |
| **16:20–18:00** | ***Body moving and community service day*** | **FORUM**Student Life Office , volunteers |

**Wednesday, August 23**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | PLACE – Office |
| **9:10–10:30** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:30–10:40** | ***Break*** |  |
| **10:40–12:00** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:00–12:50** | ***Lunch Break**** ***Please note that you have only 50 minutes for lunch!***
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| **12:50–14:10** | ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:10–14:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:20–15:20** | ***Good Advice and Good Question (With Department Chairs and Office Managers)*** | LAS + App Geology – room **309**ANTH +SOC – room **308**BA – **CH I**ECO – room **410**ES – room **301**ICP – room **435**IBL – room **220**JMC – room **307**TV, Film **–** room **306**PSY – room **409** SFW – room **434**MATH+ENV – room **303** |
| **15:20–15:30** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15:30-16:00** | ***“AUCA Community: from Students to Alumni”*** | **FORUM**Alumni Relations Office  |
| **16:00-16:10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **16:10–16:30** | ***AUCA Career services Presentation*** | **FORUM**Career Services Office |
| **16:30 –17:30** | ***AUCA theater musical “Mirrors” presentation. Initiation issues. Film showing.*** | **FORUM**Dean of Student Life Office, Student Life Office, volunteers |

**Thursday, August 24**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **9:10–10:30** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:30–10:40** | ***Break*** |  |
| **10:40–12:00** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:00–12:50** | ***Lunch Break**** *Please note that you have only 50 minutes for lunch!*
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| **12:50–14:10** | ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:10–14:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:20–17:30** | ***ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS!******Advisors are available to help you with registration based on the major you are enrolled in (please see the right column)*** ***AUCA COMPUTER LABS (G31, G30, 233, 223, 433, and 432) ARE OPEN FROM 14:30 to 18:00!*** | PSY+LAS+TV, FILM + JMC + ES – **room 220**ICP + IBL + ANTH – **room 434**BA + SOC **– room 410**SFW + MATH+SCIEN **– room 435**ECO **– room 309** |

**Friday, August 25**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **09:00–12:00** | ***ONLINE REGISTRATION CONTINUES!******You can get consultation from your advisor and peer advisors.******AUCA COMPUTER LABS (G31, G30, 233, 223, 433, and 432) ARE OPEN FROM 09:00 to 12:30!***  | ***Advisors are available in their offices.*** *Please go to the advising office (room #110) for information on their room numbers.* ***Peer advisors*** *are available in above- indicated computer labs.* |
| **12:00–13:00** | ***Lunch Break**** *Please note that you have only 50 minutes for lunch!*
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| **13:00–14:20** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:20–14:30** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:30–15:10**  | ***“Reading by Students & Faculty”*** | **CH I** – Groups 1-9**Room 410** – Groups 10-12**Room 435** – Groups 13-15**Room 220** – Groups 16,17**Room 434** – Groups 18-20Orientation Program faculty and students |
| **15:10–15:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15:20–18:00** | ***“Star Academy” final rehearsals***  | **CH I**All groupsStudent Life Office, volunteers. |

**Monday, August 28**

**Reminder: Deadline for submission of a student portfolio (August 29)!**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **9:10-10:30** |  ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:30–10:40** | ***Break*** |  |
| **10:40–12:00** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:00–12:50** | ***Lunch Break**** *Please note that you have only 50 minutes for lunch!*
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| **12:50–14:10** |  ***Session 3*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **14:10–14:20** | ***Break*** |  |
| **14:20–16:00** | ***ONLINE REGISTRATION******Meeting with Advisors*** ***COMPUTER LABS (G31, G30, 233, 223, 433, and 432) ARE OPEN FROM 14:30 to 16:00!*** | ***Advisors are available in their offices. Please go to the advising office (room #110) for information on their room numbers. Peer advisors are available in indicated computer labs.*** |
| **16:00–18:00** |  ***“Star Academy” – Final performance*** | **FORUM** Student Life Office, volunteers |

**Tuesday, August 29
Student Portfolios are due!**

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| **Time** | **EVENT** | **PLACE – Office** |
| **9:00–9:20** |  ***“Warming up”*** | **FORUM**AUCA TV, Student Life Office, volunteers  |
| **9:20–9:35** | ***Break*** |   |
| **9:35–10:55** | ***Session 1*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **10:55–11.10** | ***Break*** |  |
| **11.10–12:30** | ***Session 2*** | Groups 1-20 in their respective rooms |
| **12:30–13:30** | ***Lunch Break*** |  |
| **13:30–14:40** | ***Closing Ceremony “You Are Not Alone!”*** ***Film Showing on*** ***“Orientation 2017: Our First Steps in AUCA”.*** | **FORUM**AUCA TV, Student Life Office, volunteers |
| **14:40–15.00** | ***Break*** |  |
| **15.00-17:00** | ***Street ball tournament******(Entire Orientation Program community: freshmen, Orientation program faculty, volunteers)*** | **Basketball gym (3rd floor)**Sport coordinator, Student Life Office, Medical Office, volunteers |

***Important Notice:*** *Students will receive either a “Pass” or “Fail” grade based on their attendance and performance during the Orientation Program.*

**Wednesday, August 30**

**CITY TOUR FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

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| ***Time*** | ***Event*** | Responsible person |
| ***9:00*** | ***Meeting at AUCA main entrance*** | ISO staff/RAs and volunteers |
| ***9:30-10:00*** | ***Departure to the city tour*** | ISO Staff/RAs and volunteers |
| ***10:00 – 13:00*** | ***Places to be visited:***1. ***National Historical Museum***
2. ***Ala-too square***
3. ***Monument of freedom***
4. ***Victory Square***
5. ***Russian Orthodox Church***
6. ***Manas Monument***
7. ***Osh bazaar***
 | ISO Staff/RAs and volunteers |
| ***13:00-14:00*** | ***Visit to the “Victory Park”(Yuzhnye vorota)**** ***Picnic***
* ***Teambuilding activity***
 | ISO staff/RAs and volunteers |
| ***14:00*** | ***Going back to AUCA*** | ISO staff/RAs and volunteers |