

NYU Steinhardt

Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development

NEW UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Orientation 2007



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NEW UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ORIENTATION

Schedule of Events (overnight stay in residence hall is required for students)

DAY 1 Tuesday, June 26 or Thursday, July 5

Student/Parent Check-in (8:30 a.m. at Brittany Residence Hall, 55 East 10th Street at Broadway)

Students and Parents will then be escorted to the Kimmel Center for University Life, 60 Washington Square South.

Students will join their departmental groups and parents will participate in Parent Orientation.

Dean's Welcome

Foreign Language Placement Examinations

Music Theory Placement Examination (Music Majors only)

HEOP/C-STEP Advisement Meetings (June 26th only)

Information Fair

Workshops

Social Activities

DAY 2 Wednesday, June 27 or Friday, July 6

Advisement

Registration

Check out of Brittany Residence Hall (3:00 p.m.)

PARENTS' ORIENTATION

Schedule of Events

ONE DAY SESSION Tuesday, June 26 or Thursday, July 5

Student/Parent Check-in (8:30 a.m. at Brittany Residence Hall, 55 East 10th Street at Broadway)

Students and Parents will then be escorted to the Kimmel Center for University Life, 60 Washington Square South.

Students will join their departmental groups and parents will participate in Parent Orientation.

Dean's Welcome

Parents will move to Parent Information Sessions and, choose from the following:

Morning Session:

Housing & Residence Life

History of Greenwich Village

Lunch (on your own)

Afternoon session:

Student Health Services

University Resources

Financial Aid Q & A

Panel on the New Student Experience

Information Fair

Dean's Reception

Parents' Orientation will conclude by 6 p.m.



For questions about orientation, call (212) 998-5065.

NEW STUDENT SEMINAR REQUIRED READING

The Class

The New Student Seminar (E03.0001) is a required course for all new students enrolled in the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development. The seminar is your bridge to college life and will help you become familiar with the University, the Steinhardt School, and your program of study. You will also begin exploring your role as a new college student against the backdrop of this year's new student theme and new student reading.

The Theme

This year's new student theme is "Identity in Time." Any attempt to understand the human condition necessarily leads to a confrontation with the nature and character of time and our relationship to it. We all are formed in time by our relationships with family, friends, partners, the people we live with and work with, our teachers and mentors. In time, we make choices, carve out our own individual identity, and live our lives based on how we perceive and experience time.

Even as we are moving forward in time, we are editing our own narratives, our own sense of who we are, and who we want others to think we are.

The scenario, which marks a particular human life, has a beginning, middle, and an end. It is the fact of life's finitude and our distinctive awareness of this fact that colors our every action, shapes our institutions, and plays an elemental role in our judgment.

The Assignment

This year's required reading selection for all new NYU Steinhardt students is Alan Lightman's *Einstein's Dreams*. In *Einstein's Dreams*, time has many forms: it is circular; it flows more slowly the further it is from the center of the earth; people try to capture it; then, there is no time,

only frozen in time. *Einstein's Dreams* is a book small in format, but grand in concept. We recommend that you read it in small doses, one chapter, one dream at a time.

The Book

In *Einstein's Dreams*, Alan Lightman offers us a fictionalized portrayal of young Einstein. Lightman has us enter his fantasies that trace the various paths that time's arrow might travel and the consequences that

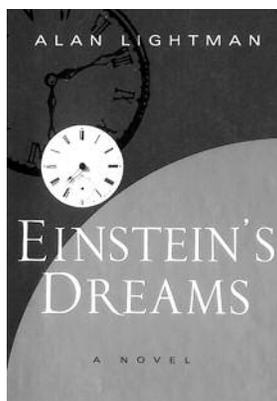
may attend each imagined temporal construct. Texturally fertile, each dream is designed to lead the reader to an examination of his/her personal relation to time's flow and its ramifications with respect to how they conduct their lives.

Our personal confrontations with the clocks that measure the flow of our lives are rich in complexity. We know that only the present is totally real. The past is done and cannot be undone. The future as "not yet" awaits. The challenges that call us to cheat meaninglessness by living richly and fully are those that must be addressed.

You are about to put pen to a new chapter in your life. How well will you craft its plot and lines? Time permits but one draft, no rewrites! Will university time fly? Will it rest heavily in your hands? Will you be merely making time or killing time? Will you be so anxious to write the next chapter of your life history that you neglect to give this one the energy and attention it both deserves and requires?

The Dean's Convocation

In early fall, the Dean will convene all new Steinhardt students at Convocation for a final discussion on *Einstein's Dreams* and the new student theme, "Identity in Time."



Check your mailbox for information on...

NYU Welcome Week, August 27th - 31st

NYU Welcome Week, open to all freshmen and transfer students, is seven days of over 200 programs and events, from study skills workshops to yoga classes to NYC excursions, and even a beach party! Welcome Week is a great way to meet new people, get to know NYU, experience New York City, and have fun during your first week at school. You'll receive a complete list of Welcome Week programs in the mail in early August. For more information about Welcome Week, visit the Student Resource Center's website at www.nyu.edu/src.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

2007

August 13	Undergraduate tuition payment deadline
August 26	Fall term housing check-in begins
August 27 - 31	NYU Welcome Week: Events on-going
September 3	Holiday: Labor Day — No classes
September 4	Fall 2007 semester — First day of classes
September 18	New Student Convocation
October 8	Holiday: Columbus Day — No classes
October 20	Parents' Day
November 22-24	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 12	Last Day of Fall 2007 classes
December 13	Reading Day
December 14-21	Final Examination period
December 22 - January 19	Winter Recess

2008

January 21	Holiday: Martin Luther King, Jr — No classes
January 22	Spring 2008 semester — First day of classes

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PARENTS AND GUESTS DURING ORIENTATION

NYU Steinhardt does not provide housing for parents and guests during our summer orientation program. The following accommodations are an option for you to explore:

Club Quarters Downtown

52 William Street, New York, NY 10036

Reservations: (212) 575-0006

Club Quarters Downtown, a 280-room, private, first-class business hotel, is located in the Wall Street area of Manhattan. By special arrangement with NYU, it offers moderately priced, quality accommodations for University-affiliated guests.

For a complete listing of accommodations in and around the NYU neighborhood and directions to campus please visit our website at: <http://www.nyu.edu/about> and click on "Campus Information"

REGISTRATION FORM FOR NEW UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AND PARENT ORIENTATION 2007

Instructions: Please print your answers on both sides of this form and mail it along with your questionnaire and fee to: NYU Steinhardt Orientation 2007 **by June 11, 2007**. Include your NYU Student ID number with payment. Check or money order should be made payable to NYU. Your orientation fee covers housing (where indicated), meals and activities.

Personal Information

LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

PHONE ALT. PHONE MAJOR

NYU STUDENT ID NUMBER NYU E-MAIL ADDRESS

Male Female

Any dietary restrictions? No Yes (please specify) _____

Student RSVP

I will attend Orientation on:
(Please rank 1st and 2nd choice of dates)

- _____ **June 26-27 ***
Please enclose a check/money order for \$175.
- _____ **July 5-6 ***
Please enclose a check/money order for \$175.
- _____ **August 27-28****
Please enclose a check/money order for \$50.

* I, _____, understand that by attending Orientation in June/July I will be required to stay in an NYU residence hall with my fellow classmates.
(STUDENT SIGNATURE)

** Your housing contract goes into effect August 26th

Confirmation will be sent to your NYU e-mail address, as listed above.

Parents' Orientation RSVP

My parent(s) will attend Parents' Orientation on: _____ **June 26** _____ **July 5** _____ **August 27 (Q & A session)**

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

(over please)

CONSENT FORM FOR ORIENTATION 2007

New York University assumes no liability for students attending Summer Orientation

■ I give my consent for _____ to attend the NYU Steinhardt Orientation 2007, and I understand the above statement. I agree to comply with the regulations set forth in the University Rules of Conduct.

Signature of Parent or Guardian (For students under 18 years of age)

■ I have read and understand the above statement. I agree to comply with the regulations set forth in the University Rules of Conduct.

Signature of Student (For students over 18 years of age)

In the event of an emergency, please contact:

NAME

TELEPHONE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

RELATIONSHIP

Please return your registration form, questionnaire, and orientation fee
(Check or money order made payable to New York University. Please include your NYU Student ID number.) **by JUNE 11, 2007 to:**

Doris Alcivar
NYU Steinhardt Orientation 2007
Office of Counseling & Student Services
82 Washington Square East, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10003-6680

QUESTIONNAIRE (CONTINUED)

Please complete the following sentences:

1. I will do well at NYU if...

2. My strongest personal and academic assets are...

3. At the completion of my degree, I will feel most satisfied if...

4. The things that really concern me about college are...

5. What else would you like us to know about you, your experiences, and your background?

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