

Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology
Orientation Agenda - Monday, August 29, 2011
2301 Vine Street (corner of Arch and Vine Streets), Berkeley

- 8:30 **Coffee and Pastries**, DSPT Blackfriars Gallery
- 9:00 **DSPT Introductions, Student Services and Registrar Office Presentations**
DSPT Classroom One. ***All new students must attend this session***
John Knutsen, Director of Admissions
Michael Sweeney, O.P., President
Chris Renz, O.P., Academic Dean
Justyna Krukowska, Recruitment and Development Officer
Heidi McKenna, Director of Communications
Pete MacLeod, VP of Administration
Colleen Power, Office Manager/ Director of Student Services
Teresa Olson, Registrar
- 10:00 **DSPT Campus Tour** with Justyna Krukowska, Recruitment and Development Officer,
Depart from DSPT Classroom One
- 10:30 **Graduate Theological Union (GTU) Consortium Presentations** covering Registration
Policies and Procedures, Health Insurance Plan for Students (HIPS), Financial Aid, GTU
Library Services, Student Email and Campus Wireless
Ecumenical Center (“E” Center), 2401 Le Conte Avenue, enter on Arch Street.
All new students must attend this session
- 12:00 **Lunch Hosted by the GTU Schools**
D’Autremont Dining Hall, Pacific School of Religion (PSR), 1798 Scenic Avenue
- 1:00 **Photo ID’s**, GTU Student Lounge, 2465 Le Conte Avenue, 1st Floor.
DSPT Students may obtain their photo ID/ Library Card between 1:00 – 3:00
- 2:00 **Portfolio Assessment Program**, DSPT Classroom One. ***All new DSPT Degree Program students must attend this one-hour session with Chris Renz, O.P., Academic Dean (does not include special students, certificate students or GTU Common MA students)***
- All other students are encouraged to use this free time in the afternoon to meet with their advisors, register online for courses in the DSPT Computer Lab, pose for their student photo in the garden, or relax in the Blackfriars Gallery.
- 3:00 **Student Council of the Associated Students of DPST (ASDSPT) Introductions**,
DSPT Classroom One
- 3:30 **Q & A** with students services, registrar, academic dean, and current students,
DSPT Classroom One
- 4:30 **President’s Address** with Michael Sweeney, O.P. President, DSPT Classroom One
- 5:00 **Tri-School Wine and Cheese Reception**
All students, faculty, and staff from DSPT, Franciscan School of Theology (FST), and
Jesuit School of Theology (JST) are invited to this evening reception.

Fall 2011 Orientation Calendar

Monday, August 29 through Friday, September 2

Student WebAdvisor available to new students for online **General Registration**

Monday, August 29

New Student Orientation Sessions - See previous page for details and mandatory sessions.

Tuesday, August 30

- 1:00 – 2:30 ***Navigating Requirements for the MA Programs***, Chris Renz, O.P., DSPT Classroom One
This workshop, open to new and returning students, will provide a general overview of core requirements for MA students, including: source materials such as the Student Handbooks; how to align personal research interests with Faculty interests and skills; integrating elective courses with thesis research, and developing a realistic timeline for program completion. RSVP with DSPT Registrar, tolson@dspt.edu.
- 3:00 – 5:00 ***Gifted and Called to Study*** (Part 1), Michael Sweeney, O.P., DSPT Classroom One
At this two-part workshop students begin to discern their charisms, to relate the charisms to their vocation, and discover the learning style that best suits them. RSVP with DSPT Student Services, cpower@dspt.edu. See flyer in online enrollment packet for more details.

Wednesday, August 31

- 5:30 – 7:00 **Welcome BBQ** for all GTU member school students, faculty, and staff
Church Divinity School of the Pacific (CDS) Courtyard, 2451 Ridge Road, Berkeley
No need to RSVP. See flyer in online enrollment packet for more details.

Thursday, September 1

- 9:00 – 5:00 ***Gifted and Called to Study*** (Part 2, see Part 1 above), DSPT, Classroom One

Friday, September 2

- 9:00 – 10:00 **Tri-School Tour of the GTU Flora Lamson Hewlett Library**,
Meet at the library entrance, 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley
Bring student ID with fall sticker to library for activation.
- 10:00 – 12:00 **Tri-School Tour of GTU Campus and walk to UC Berkeley Main (Doe) Library**
Bring your activated GTU ID/ Library card to obtain UC Berkeley Library card.
- 1:00 – 2:00 **Ice Cream Social** hosted by the Jesuit School of Theology (JST), 1735 LeRoy Ave.
- 3:00 **DSPT Movie Matinee *Berkeley in the Sixties***, Classroom One

Monday, September 5 **Labor Day**, Academic and Administrative Holiday

Tuesday, September 6 Classes Begin

Wednesday, September 7

- 10:00 Mass of the Holy Spirit, DSPT Blackfriars Gallery
11:00 DSPT All-Student Body Meeting, followed by lunch

Tuesday, September 6 through Friday, September 16

Student WebAdvisor available for online **Late Registration**