## INTERNATIONAL WELCOME WEEK HANDBOOK

Fall 2023



#### **Welcome Global Ravens**

We are thrilled to have you join us for International Welcome Week. Join the International Student Services Office from Sept 1 to Sept 6, for events, workshops, and fun activities to help you learn more about campus and Ottawa resources, meet new friends from around the world, and prepare for success.

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## International Welcome Week At A Glance: September 1-6, 2023

**Friday**September 1

**Saturday** September 2 **Sunday** September 3

International Orientation Day

Richcraft Hall

9:30am-2:30pm

Explore Ottawa Downtown

**Athletics** 

3:00pm-6:00pm

Dine with the Global Community

The Caf

5:30pm-7:30pm

**Monday** September 4 **Tuesday**September 5

**Wednesday** September 6

**BYOF Lunch** 

Vincent Massey Park 10:00am-1:00pm **Movie Night** 

Alumni Park

9:00pm-11:30pm

CU at Game On!

**Athletics** 

6:30pm-9:30pm

Should there be any last minute changes due to weather or unforeseen circumstances, registered students will be notified via email.

#### Friday, September 1, 2023

#### **International Orientation Day**

**Description:** Welcome Global Ravens! Start your journey at Carleton University with a full day of activities intended to prepare you for your academic, social, and cultural transition. Participate in workshops developed by campus experts, share a meal with us, meet new students, and discover campus resources at our Campus Services Fair.

Where: Richcraft Hall Building from 9:30am - 2:30pm.

• Registration opens at 9:00am.

**Please Note:** To register, please visit carleton.ca/isso/international-welcome-week/











**Event Accessibility Considerations** 

#### Friday, September 1, 2023

#### **Campus Fair**

**Description:** Visit our International Welcome Campus Fair to connect directly with service providers to discuss programs, services, and initiatives intended to support your success at Carleton University.

Where: Richcraft Hall Building

- Carleton University Students' Association CUSA
- Graduate Student Association GSA
- International Student Services Office ISSO
- Catholic Centre for Immigrants CCI
- Campus Safety Services
- Student Experience Office SEO
- Career Services and Co-operative Education
- Health and Counselling
- Centre for Student Academic Support CSAS
- Academic Advising Center
- Paul Menton Center PMC
- Ombuds Service
- Scotiabank
- Unified Service Center USC

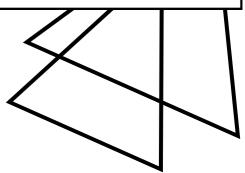








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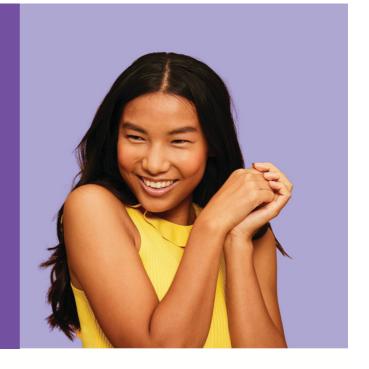


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Friday, September 1, 2023

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Monday	9:30a.m 4:30p.m.
Tuesday	9:30a.m 4:30p.m.
Wednesday	9:30a.m 4:30p.m.
Thursday	9:30a.m 4:30p.m.
Friday	9:30a.m 4:30p.m.
Saturday	Closed

Saturday Closed Sunday Closed



#### Saturday, September 2, 2023

#### **Explore Downtown Ottawa**

**Description:** Are you ready to explore Ottawa? Join ISSO volunteers for a journey downtown. Using the OC Transpo Bus system to travel, we will take a walk in the Byward Market, see iconic landmarks, and learn more about navigating Ottawa. This event will take about 2.5 hours after departure. Students can expect to do a lot of walking hence a good walking shoes is recommended.

**Where:** Groups will meet at the Carleton Athletics bus stop at 3:00pm

• 3:00pm - 6:00pm

**Please Note:** Students must pick up their U-PASS prior to departure to ensure smooth travel to downtown Ottawa and back. Students are responsible for the cost of any snacks or souvenirs they would like.













**Event Accessibility Considerations** 

#### Sunday, September 3, 2023

#### **Dine With The Global Community**

**Description:** Join your fellow on campus Global Ravens for a meal at Carleton. Students are responsible for the cost of their meal. For students in residence, please be sure to bring your Campus Card to swipe in for your meal using your Meal Plan. For students living off-campus, please bring along your credit card as cash is not accepted at the Caf.

**Where:** The Caf (3rd floor of Terranga Commons) from 5:30pm - 7:30pm.

**Please Note:** Carleton has a dietary labelling program that will identify food options that meet your needs. To see what the labels look like and what they stand for, visit: https://dining.carleton.ca/nutrition\_dietitian/dietary-labeling/









**Event Accessibility Considerations** 

#### Monday, September 4, 2023

#### **Vincent Massey Park BYOF Picnic**

**Description:** Vincent Massey Park is one of the closest parks to Carleton Campus and is located right next to the Rideau River. Meet new friends by participating in our various engaging games and activities while sharing a meal!

**Where:** Group will meet at Bus stop in front of the Nicol building at:

• 11:00am - 1:00pm

Please Note: This is a Bring your Own Food (BYOF) picnic.









**Event Accessibility Considerations** 

#### **Tuesday, September 5, 2023**

#### **Movie Night**

**Description:** Have fun watching a movie with your fellow Ravens at Alumni Park! Bring a blanket or a drink and some snacks to eat while you watch the movie. The choice of movie will be announced before the event, so keep your eyes open! A popcorn machine will be at the event.

Where: Alumni Park from 9:00pm - 11:30pm.

**Please Note:** We encourage you to bring your own snacks and a blanket.











**Event Accessibility Considerations** 

#### Wednesday, September 6, 2023

#### **CU at Game On!**

**Description:** Come test your athletic ability and get your sweat on with your fellow Ravens! Students will have the opportunity to go to Carleton's Athletics and take part in various fun activities!

Where: Carleton Athletics from 6:30pm - 9:30pm

**Please Note:** There are water fountains located all around the Athletic Space where you can fill up your water bottles.







**Event Accessibility Considerations** 

#### **Getting to Campus**

#### **Airport Welcome Program**

Carleton University student staff will be in Ottawa International Airport welcoming students and answering any questions they may have upon arrival from Thursday, August 31st until Sunday, September 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Airport Welcome kiosk will be located near the centre exit door beside the Tim Hortons

Thursday, August 31 **Friday**, September 1

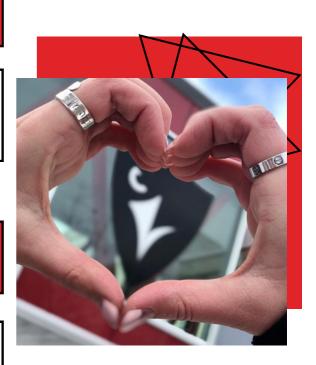
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**Saturday**, September 2 **Sunday**, September 3

9:00am - 3:00pm

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#### **Getting to Campus**

#### **Public Transit**

Bus lines travelling to Carleton University include the #2, #7, #10, and #111. For more information on planning your travel, consider using the 'Travel Planner' on the OC Transpo website or one of the various Ottawa bus apps (Transit, Moovit, BusBuddy, etc).



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#### **Getting to Campus**

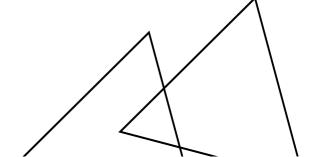
#### **Driving To Campus**

During Residence Move-In (August 31st - September 3rd), vehicle traffic on campus is expected to be heavier than usual. Guests who are driving are encouraged to leave plenty of time to arrive at their final destinations. If possible, consider using the Colonel By Drive entrance to campus.

For International Orientation Day on September 1st, guests are encouraged to park in **lot P9.** There is a cost associated with parking on campus. You can pay on arrival or by using this **link and/or the QR code** on page 20 of the handbook.

#### **Need HELP Navigating the Venue?**

For International Orientation Day on September 1st, we anticipate there will be many guests on campus. If you need help, please email ISSO@carleton.ca or Call 613-520-2600 to connect with a team member at ISSO.



#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

## How can I make the most out of the week?

International Welcome Week is full of many social and educational events you can attend. Make note of the times of events that you want to participate in beforehand, so you don't miss anything.

We invite you to ask questions and contribute to discussions during seminars and presentations. This may be first time experience for some, but it is a great practice for your time as a Carleton Student.

If you have questions, need assistance, or have accessibility concerns, please don't hesitate to email the ISSO at isso@carleton.ca prior to our events or to speak with ISSO staff and volunteers during events. ISSO volunteers are Carleton students, just like you! They will be wearing red 'Volunteer' t-shirts throughout the week.

Also, don't forget to engage with other students! You may meet your future friends at International Welcome Week!

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#### What if it rains?

Outdoor events will proceed unless there is thunder and lightning. Students are encouraged to assess their own level of interest in outdoor events and to bring a rain gear.

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#### What should I bring?

For our on-campus events, we recommend downloading CUMobile app. Apart from keeping you up to date with Carleton news and providing access to your grades, class schedule, and support services, it has a fantastic map of campus. Students are also encourages to bring a water bottle to avoid waste.

If you are planning to attend an off-campus event, we recommend bringing:

- a water bottle
- sunscreen
- a reusable shopping bag
- your U-PASS for transportation
- money, in case you decide to make a purchase



## What if I miss an event or an activity?

Students are not required to attend events throughout International Welcome Week, so you do not need to attend all of our events. Keep the time and dates of the activities that interest you in your calendar and attend as much as you would like!



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## I need my U-PASS for some events. How can I get this?

The Campus Card office is open from 8:30am - 4:30pm or register online at Campuscard.carleton.ca before you arrive. Visit 407 Nideyinan Centre (4th floor). Please note, no bus tickets will be provided.

## Where can I pray on campus?

The Muslim prayer room (Musala) is open to all Muslim students every day at all hours. It is a place where students can go to offer their prayers in a clean and safe environment. Ablution (wudhu) facilities are also available for both brothers and sisters beside the Musala. Visit 225A Nideyinan Centre (2nd floor).

#### **Your First Week**

#### **Resources to Know**

**Banking Information** 

**Campus Card Information** 

Phone Information

Multicultural Grocery Stores

<u>UHIP</u>

Social Insurance Number

**Study Permit Questions** 

<u>Settlement</u>

#### **Dates and Deadlines**

September 6: First day of class

September 12: Last day for registration

September 30: Last day to withdraw with full

fee adjustments

October 23-27: Fall Break

November 15: Last day for academic withdrawal

December 10-22: Final exams

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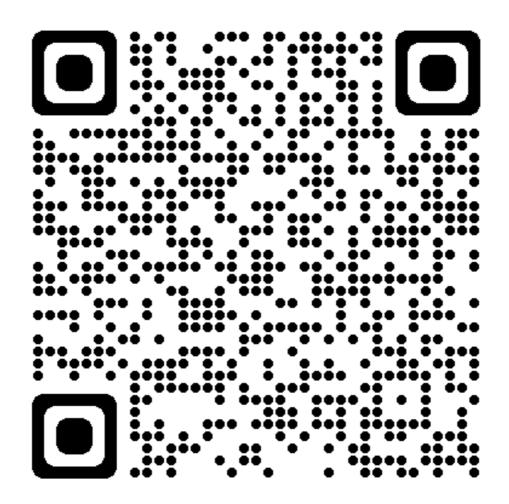
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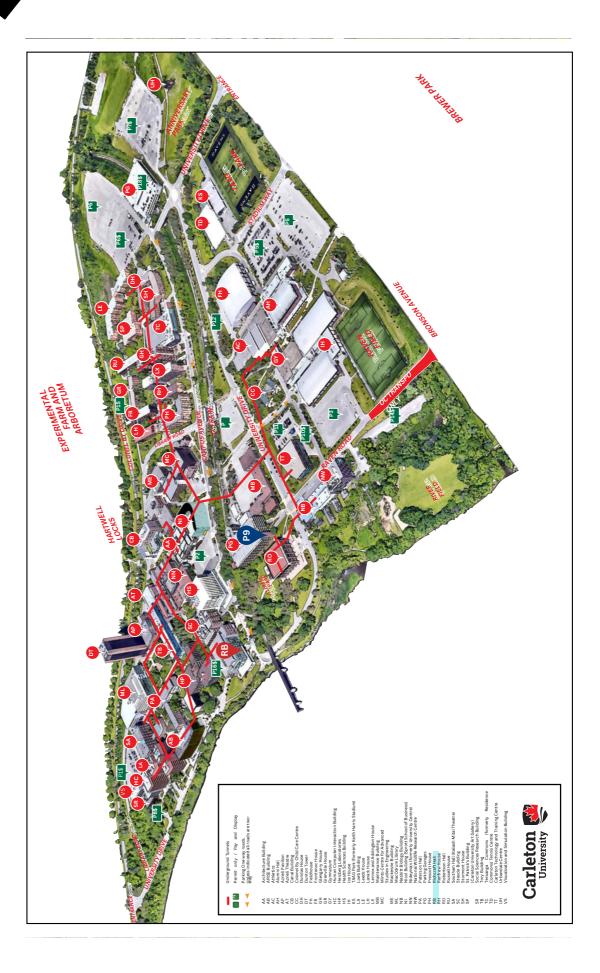


#### <u>P9 - Parking Garage</u>

Visitor parking is normally only available on Levels 1-3, but the entire garage will be available on International Orientation Day.

TIP: Park in the first available space in the garage

# Campus Map



#### Contact

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