

The Nicholas School of the Environment (NSOE) is housed in two primary locations on Duke University's West Campus; the Environment Hall (EH) located at 9 Circuit Drive, and the Levine Science Research Center (LSRC) A-wing, which is located at 308 Research Drive. Both locations are connected by a breezeway on the first floor.

Orientation Tips: All new students are expected to attend sessions noted as mandatory. ★ We ask that new students wear their sustainable name tags throughout Orientation, including social events.

The POD leaders and other returning student representatives are here to help! These students have all graciously agreed to assist new students throughout orientation week by facilitating sessions, guiding tours, sharing tips about the Nicholas School, Duke and Durham as well as to offering a warm smile and words of encouragement as you begin your academic journey.

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**Please note that this schedule is subject to change.**

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## 2017 Schedule of Activities & Events

### Pre-Orientation Schedule

#### Thursday, August 17

*Students required to take the written and oral language exams have already been assigned an exam time. On the day of your exam, please plan to arrive at least 10 minutes prior to your assigned time.*

#### **9:30AM–12:30PM Written & Oral Language Diagnostic Examinations (Mandatory) ★**

All students whose first language is not English are required to take this exam unless they have been previously excused by the program coordinator of the English for International Students (EIS) Program. Only students scheduled to take the exam at this time should attend.

- Facilitator: Kaitlyn Aigner, Program Coordinator, EIS Program, Graduate School
- Where: Perkins Library LINK 072 (Classroom 6) 411 Chapel Drive

#### **11:30AM-12:45 PM Break**

Lunch on your own. Explore the [Bryan Center](#) or the new [Broadhead Center/West Union](#).

#### **12:45-1:15PM Campus Police**

Students will have the opportunity to meet with Duke Campus Police. They will explain what services are provided and share best safety and security practices for your time at the Nicholas School.

- Facilitator: Daryl Mount, Community Services Officer
- Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

#### **1:15-1:30PM Break**

### **1:30-3:30PM Statistics Review Session**

While not mandatory, all students are encouraged to attend. Participation in this review session is not a substitute for fulfilling the statistics prerequisite. Students should indicate their plans to attend in advance on the [Orientation event registration form](#). Students unable to attend the review should continue to use the [statistics review web page](#) to prepare for the diagnostic exam. Students who plan to attend the review session should bring a **laptop or tablet**.

- Facilitator: Dr. Betsy Albright, Assistant Professor, Environmental Science & Policy Division
- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

### **3:45-6:45PM Written & Oral Language Diagnostic Examinations (Mandatory) ★**

All students whose first language is not English are required to take this exam unless they have been previously excused by the program coordinator of the English for International Students (EIS) Program. Only students scheduled to take the exam at this time should attend.

- Facilitator: Kaitlyn Aigner, Program Coordinator, EIS Program, Graduate School
- Where: Perkins Library LINK 072 (Classroom 6) 411 Chapel Drive

## **Friday, August 18**

### **9:00-10:00AM Perkins/Bostock Libraries Tour**

Meet the librarian for a guided tour of [Perkins and Bostock libraries](#), which includes visits to the Data/GIS Suite & Help Desk, The Link, and general library facilities. The tour will begin promptly at 9:00am; please arrive on time. We encourage students to arrive at least 5 minutes early. A second tour will be offered Friday morning August 25.

- Facilitator: Brittany Wofford, Librarian for the Nicholas School of the Environment
- Where: Meet librarian in the breezeway between Perkins and Bostock libraries

### **11:30AM-12:00PM Parking and Transportation Services, General Information Session**

A representative from the university's [Office of Parking and Transportation Services](#) will be available to provide commuter assistance for transit, cycling, parking, and more. The session will review membership in Duke's car-share program, local and regional transit options, biking, campus shuttles and other resources. Stop in to **pick up your free GoPass**, learn more about parking at Duke, and find the information you need to get around campus without a car.

- Facilitators: Alison Carpenter, TDM Program Manager and Matthew Cushing, Program Coordinator for Parking and Transportation Services
- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

### **12:00PM Break**

Lunch on your own. Explore the [Bryan Center](#) or the new [Broadhead Center/West Union](#).

**1:00-2:30PM Calculus Review Session** While not mandatory, all students are encouraged to attend the calculus review. Participation in this review session is not a substitute for fulfilling the calculus prerequisite. Students unable to attend the review should continue **to use the [calculus review materials](#) at the admitted students web pages to prepare for the diagnostic exam.**

- Preparation: Students who plan to attend the calculus review session should **bring paper, pen/pencil and calculator**; no special type of calculator needed.
- Facilitator: Brian Prest, Ph.D. Candidate for the UPEP Program
- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

### **2:30-3:00PM Break**

### 3:00-5:00PM Concurrent Sessions

The next 5 activities are occurring concurrently. All sessions begin at 3:00pm and ending between 4:00-5:00pm. Students will have sufficient time to attend all sessions

Information Technology Open House	Are You Missing a Prerequisite?	Assistantships Session	Locker Key Distribution
<b>Facilitator:</b> Katheryne Doughty, Manager, NSOE IT Help Desk <b>Where:</b> Environment Hall, 1104 <b>End Time:</b> 4:00 PM	<b>Facilitator:</b> Erika Lovelace, Associate Director and Registrar <b>Where:</b> Love Auditorium, LSRC B101 <b>End Time:</b> 5:00 PM	<b>Facilitators:</b> Cynthia Peters, Assistant Dean, Student Services; Jeanne Ryan, Debbie Gooch, Staff Assistant, Business Office *This session is mandatory for all assistantship students. <b>Where:</b> Field Auditorium, 1112 <b>End Time:</b> 4:00 PM	<b>Facilitator:</b> Anne Davis, Administrative Services Manager, Dean's Office <b>Where:</b> A140 LSRC <b>End Time:</b> 5:00 PM

## Orientation Schedule

### Monday, August 21

All morning sessions through lunch will be held in Love Auditorium, room B101 in LSRC. The auditorium is located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Attendance at all of today's sessions is mandatory.

#### 9:30AM Check-In

Welcome to the Nicholas School community! New students will have an opportunity to meet and get to know their fellow classmates, POD leaders and other orientation volunteers. Orientation packets will be available for distribution.

#### Light refreshments provided during this time.

- Facilitators: Student Services Staff and Second Year Student Volunteers
- Where: Hall of Science (located just outside of Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC))

Group photo to be taking in Love Auditorium prior to Dean Vincent's Welcome Address

#### 9:45AM Welcome and Introduction

- Presenter: Dr. Jeff Vincent, Stanback Dean of the Nicholas School of the Environment

#### 10:00-10:15AM General Orientation Comments and Staff Introductions

- Presenter: Sherri Nevius, Associate Dean, Student Services

#### 10:15-11:30AM Honor Code

All new students must attend the Honor Code Orientation and sign the online [Honor Code Agreement](#) no later than Friday, August 25.

- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Deborah Gallagher, Associate Professor of the Practice, Resource and Environmental Policy, and Director of Professional Studies

#### 11:30AM-12:30PM Lunch

Get to know other new students, staff, faculty representatives and continuing student volunteers. POD leaders have been invited to attend. (Buffet Lunch provided)

- Where: Hall of Science, LSRC

#### 12:30-2:30PM Program Area Group Advising Sessions

Faculty will gather by program area of study to begin group academic advising. New students should go directly to the group advising session to which they have already been admitted. **Returning/second year student volunteers will join the academic advising sessions.**

- Where: All meetings will take place in the Environment Hall (EH) and Levine Science Research Center (LSRC); room numbers in bold print below.

#### Master of Forestry (MF) Degree—A247 LSRC

- Dr. Jeffrey Vincent, Stanback Dean, Nicholas School of the Environment, and Co-Chair of MF Program

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## **Master of Environmental Management (MEM) Degree**

- **Business and the Environment (BE) – A155, LSRC** – Dr. Deborah Gallagher, Director of Professional Studies, and Chair, BE Concentration and Dr. Jesko von Windheim, Lynn Gorguze-Scott Peters Professor of the Practice, Environmental Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- **Coastal Environmental Management (CEM) – A156, LSRC** – Dr. Patrick Halpin, Associate Professor of Marine Geospatial Ecology and Co-Chair, CEM Concentration and Dr. Grant Murray, Associate Professor of Marine Policy and Co-Chair, CEM Concentration
- **Ecosystem Science and Conservation (ESC) – A247 LSRC** – Dr. Jennifer Swenson, Associate Professor of the Practice of Geospatial Analysis and Chair, ESC Concentration
- **Ecotoxicology and Environmental Health (EEH) – A336 LSRC** – Dr. Joel Meyer, Associate Professor of Environmental Toxicology, Director of Graduate Studies, ENV PhD program
- **Energy and Environment (EE) – Field Auditorium EH** – Dr. Timothy Johnson, Associate Professor of the Practice in Energy and the Environment and Chair, EE Concentration
- **Environmental Economics and Policy (EEP) – Love Auditorium, B101** – Dr. Randall Kramer, Associate Professor of Environmental Economics and Policy and Chair, EEP Concentration
- **Global Environmental Change (GEC) – 1111 EH** – Dr. Prasad Kasibathla, Professor of Earth and Ocean Sciences and Chair, GEC Concentration
- **Water Resources Management (WRM) – 2102 EH** – Dr. Martin Doyle, Professor of River Systems Science and Policy and Chair, WRM Concentration

*The next 3 activities are occurring concurrently. All sessions begin at 2:30pm and end between 3:30-4:30pm. Students will have sufficient time to attend all sessions.*

## **Solar Eclipse Celebration**

We cordially invite all new students to attend. Check our rooftop garden and while viewing a live stream of the historic solar eclipse. While we will not be able to view the full eclipse in our geographical location, the event will be live streaming from all TVs in EH and in Field Auditorium. Also check out Green Roof and Orchard Workforce (GROW) and chat about activities and opportunities.

- End Time: approximately 3:30pm
- Where: Environment Hall, Solar Eclipse glasses provided on 1st, 2nd floor and the roof of EH

## **Cool Down**

We cordially invite all new students to attend. This is a fun and relaxing way to end your first day of Orientation. Light snacks and icy treats served.

- End Time: While supplies last
- Where: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Environment Hall

## **Student-to-Student Resource Station**

Stop by the student-to-student resource table managed by 2<sup>nd</sup> year student volunteers. Continuing student representatives will be available to answer questions and to share on-campus and Durham area tips from a student-to-student perspective.

- Facilitators: Second Year Student Volunteers
- Where: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Environment Hall

## **Tuesday, August 22**

### **Individual Advising Begins...**

*Students should schedule an appointment with their academic course work advisor. Advising will continue throughout the remainder of the week.*

#### **8:30AM Beverage Service Provided**

#### **9:00-10:15AM Creating the Career You Want: An Introduction to Career & Professional Development at the Nicholas School** ★

Want a great job after graduation? We're here to partner with you to make that goal a reality! In this interactive presentation, we'll offer insights and tools for how to keep your desired career outcomes at the forefront of your Nicholas School experience, make early and consistent investments in your career development, and take advantage of the many opportunities available to you while you invest in yourself as a Nicholas School student.

- Facilitators: Dr. Deb Wojcik, Director; Nikki Smith, Assistant Director; Beth Hwang, Career Specialist  
Nicholas School Career & Professional Development Center
- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

#### **10:15-10:30AM Break**

#### **10:30-11:45AM Statistics Diagnostic Examination (Mandatory)** ★

All new on-campus professional master's degree students are expected to take the statistics diagnostic examination. Students who have not met the prerequisite (a college semester course for earned credit with at least a B- final grade) should not report for the diagnostic. They should meet the prerequisite during the fall semester and will be tested in January 2018. Students will have **one hour and 15 minutes** to take the statistics exam.

- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

#### **11:45AM-1:00PM Lunch**

Pick-up your lunch outside of Love Auditorium. Please gather somewhere on campus with your classmates or POD Leaders.

#### **1:00-2:15PM Diversity and Inclusion Activity** ★

At the Nicholas School of the Environment, creating and maintaining an environment that is both diverse and inclusive is a top priority. We are delighted to offer a fun and interactive activity that will explore the value of diversity and inclusivity in higher education, help new students identify community links within the School and allow new students the opportunity to engage in meaningful small group discussions with their peers. Attendance is mandatory for all new students.

- Facilitators: POD Leaders
- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)
- POD Breakout Rooms
  - **POD 1:** A155 LSRC
  - **POD 2:** A156 LSRC
  - **POD 3:** A148 LSRC
  - **POD 4:** A211 LSRC
  - **POD 5:** A312 LSRC
  - **POD 6:** 2102 EH
  - **POD 7:** 1101 EH
  - **POD 8:** 1111 EH
  - **POD 9:** 1112 Field Auditorium EH
  - **POD 10:** B101 Love Auditorium LSRC
  - **POD 11:** Reading Room EH, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor
  - **POD 12:** Art Gallery, 2<sup>ND</sup> floor
  - **POD 13:** Boardroom EH, 5<sup>th</sup> floor

## 2:15-2:25PM Break

## 2:30-4:30PM Concurrent Sessions

The next 5 activities are occurring concurrently. All sessions begin at 2:30pm and end at 3:30-4:30pm. Students will have sufficient time to attend all sessions.

Student Advising and Course Registration	Assistantships	Locker Key Distribution
<b>Facilitator:</b> Erika Lovelace, Associate Director and Registrar <b>Where:</b> Love Auditorium, LSRC B101 <b>End Time:</b> 4:30 PM	<b>Facilitators:</b> Cynthia Peters, Assistant Dean, Student Services; Jeanne Ryan, Debbie Gooch, Staff Assistant, Business Office *This session is mandatory for all assistantship students. <b>Where:</b> Field Auditorium, 1112 <b>End Time:</b> 3:30 PM	<b>Facilitator:</b> Anne Davis, Administrative Services Manager, Dean's Office <b>Where:</b> A140 LSRC <b>End Time:</b> 4:30 PM
Student to Student Resource Table	Ask a Student	
<b>Facilitators:</b> 2nd Years <b>Where:</b> 2nd Floor EH <b>End Time:</b> 4:30 PM	A student led brief and informal hindsight 20/20 discussion on coping with graduate school to include but not limited to: stress reducers, time and stress management tips and recommended resources. <b>Facilitator:</b> Jackie McGarry, 2nd Year, CEM <b>Where:</b> 2102 EH <b>End Time:</b> 3:30pm	

## 3:30-4:30PM Geospatial Analysis Curriculum & Certificate

Students who plan to enroll in Fundamentals of GIS and Geospatial Analysis (ENVIRON 559) this fall should plan to attend this session. This course is the gateway to all geospatial courses offered by the Nicholas School, and the [GIS certificate](#). Permission numbers will be distributed after the presentation.

- Course Instructor: Dr. Patrick Halpin, Associate Professor of Marine Geospatial Ecology
- Where: Field Auditorium, EH 1112

## Wednesday, August 23

*Individual advising continues -- students should make time today to meet with their academic advisor.*

### 9:30AM Beverage Service Provided

### 10:00-11:15AM Calculus Diagnostic Examination (Mandatory) ★

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- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

### 11:15AM-12:00PM Lunch

Pick-up your lunch outside of Love Auditorium. Please gather somewhere on campus with your classmates or POD Leaders.

### 12:00-1:00PM All About Durham Panel

This session will be in a lunch and learn format. Gather with a group of our current second year students to enjoy a lunch and learn. You will get the opportunity to learn about Durham, life at the Nicholas School and to chat with our campus experts.

- Where: Love Auditorium, LSRC B101
- Box lunches available in Hall of Science

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## Short Presentations

*Each brief presentation will last **15-minutes**. Interested students are strongly encouraged to attend.  
All short-sessions will be held in Love Auditorium, LSRC B101, West Campus.*

### **1:15-1:30PM MEM/MBA Dual Degree Program**

Students who are interested in pursuing a Dual Degree in Environmental Management and Business Administration should plan to attend.

- Facilitators: Katie Kross, Managing Director of the Center for Energy, Development and the Global Environment (EDGE)

### **1:30-1:45PM Resource and Environmental Economics**

Students who plan to enroll in Resource and Environmental Economics (ENVIRON 520 & 521) this fall should plan to attend this session. All BE, EEP, CEM, and EE students should plan to attend.

- Facilitator: Dr. Lori Benneer, Associate Professor of Environmental Economics and Policy

### **1:45-2:00PM Geospatial Analysis Curriculum & Certificate**

Students who plan to enroll in Fundamentals of GIS and Geospatial Analysis (ENVIRON 559) this fall should plan to attend this session. This course is the gateway to all geospatial courses offered by the Nicholas School, and the [GIS certificate](#).

- Course Instructor: Dr. Patrick Halpin, Associate Professor of Marine Geospatial Ecology

### **2:00-2:15PM Environmental Law and Policy Clinic**

Students interested in learning more about the [Environmental Law and Policy Clinic](#), how they can get involved in real-life cases, and the curriculum should plan to attend.

- Course Instructors: Ryke Longest, Jr., J.D., Director & Senior Lecturing Fellow and Michelle B. Nowlin, J.D., Clinical Professor of Law and Supervising Attorney

### **2:15-2:30PM Bass Connections**

Overview of a [university-wide initiative](#) that brings together faculty and students to explore real-world issues in interdisciplinary research teams.

- Facilitator: Sarah Dwyer, Director of Communications, Bass Connections

### **2:30-2:45PM Business and Environment Program Area**

Students who are interested in or plan to pursue the [Business and Environment Program Area](#) should plan to attend.

- Facilitator: Deborah Gallagher, Chair, Business and Environment Program

### **2:45-3:00PM Office of Development and Alumni Relations**

Did you know the Office of Development & Alumni Relations (ODAR) is here for you, too? ODAR supports, leads, and partners with other Nicholas School and University departments and groups to enrich your student experience. Attend this session to learn about ODAR's purpose, events, and programs to help you make the best of your time at the Nic School.

- Facilitator: Glenda Lee, MA, SPHR, Assistant Director, Alumni Engagement and Programs

### **3:00-3:15PM Environmental Innovation and Entrepreneurship Certificate**

Students who plan to pursue the [Environmental Innovation & Entrepreneurship certificate](#) should plan to attend.

- Facilitator: Dr. Jesko von Windheim, Lynn Gorguze-Scott Peters Professor of the Practice, Environmental Innovation and Entrepreneurship



### **3:15-3:30PM Community-Based Environmental Management Certificate**

Students who plan to pursue the [Community-Based Environmental Management certificate](#) should plan to attend.

- Facilitator: Dr. Elizabeth Shapiro-Garza, Assistant Professor of the Practice of Environmental Policy and Management and CBEM Coordinator

### **3:30-3:45PM Duke University Energy Initiative**

Students who want to know more and/or learn about the university's [Energy Initiative](#) should plan to attend.

- Facilitator: Stacy Peterson, M.Ed., Senior Education Program Coordinator

*In addition to the certificate offerings covered above, NSOE students may also pursue certificate offerings in [Latin American and Caribbean Studies](#) and [International Development Policy](#).*

### **4:00-5:00PM Graduate and Professional Students Fall Convocation (Attendance Encouraged)**

This is a university-sponsored event. All new professional students are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Business casual dress. Immediately following the Convocation, at 5:00pm, the Duke Alumni Association will host a post-Convocation **Welcome Reception for the graduate and professional students on the Chapel Quad, West Campus. New students must bring their DukeCard ID to participate in this event.**

- Where: [Duke Chapel, West Campus](#)
- Keynote speaker: David F. Levi, Dean and Professor of Law

## **Thursday, August 24**

### **Enroll in Fall Classes!**

On **Thursday, August 24**, course registration begins promptly at 7:00am in the DukeHub. Students may register for up to 12 credit hours. Then, beginning at **10:00am on Friday, August 25** all students (new and returning) will be able to enroll in up to 15 credits. If more than 15 credits are needed, advisor consent is required. Prior to Thursday, August 24, new students should attend group and individual academic advising meetings to go over course selections and program requirements with faculty advisors to ensure successful progress towards degree requirements. Drop/add registration in the DukeHub ends **Friday, September 8**. Other than registering for classes, there are **no on-campus activities** scheduled on Thursday, August 24. Feel free to take the day off! As always, students are encouraged to stop by the Student Services office (A101 LSRC) for assistance with course registration related matters. The office hours are 8:30am-5:00pm Monday through Friday.

### **Attendance on Friday is Optional but Strongly Encouraged**

## **Friday, August 25**

*The next 3 activities are occurring concurrently. Session start times and locations vary.*

### **8:30–11:30AM Duke Forest Tour**

Meet for a guided tour of the Duke Forest. It is likely to be very hot that day. Students should dress comfortably, wear closed toed shoes, and bring a bug spray and plenty of water. Registered students must arrive by 8:15am. The tour is limited to 43 people - *first come-first served*; reserve spot on Orientation event registration form. If you are unable to attend, visit the [Duke Forest website](#) to learn more about how you can get involved in the Duke Forest.

- Facilitators: Jenna Schreiber, Operations Manager and MEM & MF (2012) Alumna and Beverly Burgess, Administrative Assistant, Office of the Duke Forest
- Where: Meet tour leader on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Environment Hall, near the main entrance



**9:00 –10:00AM Perkins/Bostock Libraries Tour**

Meet librarian for a guided tour of [Perkins and Bostock libraries](#), which includes visits to the Data/GIS Suite & Help Desk, The Link, and general library facilities. The tour will begin promptly at 9:00am; please arrive on-time. We encourage students to arrive at least 5 minutes early.

- Facilitator: Brittany Wofford, Librarian for the Nicholas School of the Environment
- Where: Meet librarian in the breezeway between Perkins and Bostock libraries.

**10:00-10:30AM Health Insurance and Immunization Requirements**

Lead representatives from the Student Health Center will be here to provide an overview of the immunization requirements and health insurance. Interested students are encouraged to attend.

- Facilitators: Kelan Beacham, Manager, Student Health Insurance and Joy Holder, Manager, Student Health Center
- Where: Love Auditorium, B101 Levine Science Research Center (LSRC)

**10:30AM-1:00PM Break and Lunch on your own**

Lunch on your own. Explore the [Bryan Center](#) or the new [Broadhead Center/West Union](#).

**1:00-2:00PM Concurrent Sessions**

*The next 4 activities are occurring concurrently. All sessions begin at 1:00pm and end at 2:00pm. Students will have sufficient time to attend all sessions*

Information Technology Open House	Student Advising and Course Registration	Work Study	Sakai Training
<b>Facilitator:</b> Katherlyne Doughty, Manager, NSOE IT Help Desk <b>Where:</b> Environment Hall, 1104	<b>Facilitator:</b> Erika Lovelace, Associate Director and Registrar <b>Where:</b> Love Auditorium, LSRC B101	<b>Facilitators:</b> Cynthia Peters, Assistant Dean, Student Services; Jeanne Ryan, Debbie Gooch, Staff Assistant, Business Office *This session is mandatory for all work study students. <b>Where:</b> Field Auditorium, 1112	<b>Facilitators:</b> Chris Lorch, Technology Trainer, Office of Information Technology (OIT) Preparation: Students who plan to attend the Sakai training should bring their laptop or tablet. <b>Where:</b> LSRC A153

**2:00-4:00PM We Are Duke Environment Fair**

Learn about student organizations and staff departments at the Nicholas School and Duke University. Come and meet the continuing student representatives, group leaders and staff participants.

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- Co-sponsors: Student Services and Office of Development and Alumni Relations (ODAR)
- Where: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Lobby Environment Hall

**FALL SEMESTER**

**Friday, September 1, 2017**

**4:00PM Forestry Program Information Session**

Students interested in learning more about the forestry degree and/or in adding the [Master of Forestry](#) degree should plan to attend.

- Facilitators: Dr. Ram Oren, Nicholas Professor of Earth System Science and Master of Forestry Co-Chair and Dr. Jeff Vincent, Stanback Dean, Nicholas School of the Environment and Clarence F. Korstian Professor of Forest Economics and Management
- Where: B101, Love Auditorium

**Monday, September 4, 2017**

Classes WILL meet on Labor Day.

## **Friday, September 8, 2017**

**1:00–2:00PM** MEM/MBA Admissions Information Session for Nicholas School Students

Are you a first-year Nicholas School student considering the MEM/MBA or MF/MBA joint degree? Duke's Fuqua School of Business is one of the world's best business schools, preparing students to excel in global leadership careers. In addition to science and policy skills gained through your MEM or MF degree, joint degree students graduate with a robust skillset in finance, accounting, strategy, operations, marketing, and decision sciences. In this session, you'll have the chance to hear from Fuqua's Assistant Dean of Admissions, Anneli Richter, about what makes Fuqua special, what type of candidates are a great fit, and how to apply. You can read the basics on [Fuqua's Daytime MBA webpage](#), then join us to learn more and ask questions. No RSVP is required.

- Where: 4th floor Admissions conference room, Admissions Office, Fuqua School of Business

## **2017-2018 ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

### **FALL 2017**

Friday, September 8	Drop/Add ends
Thursday or Friday, October 5 or 6	6:30 PM. Founders' Day Convocation
Friday, October 6	7:00 PM. Fall break begins
Sunday, October 8	Founders' Day
Wednesday, October 11 8:30 AM.	Classes resume
Monday, October 23	Bookbagging begins for Spring 2018
Wednesday, November 1	Registration begins for Spring 2018
Monday, November 13	Registration ends for Spring 2018
Tuesday, November 14	Drop/Add begins for Spring 2018
Tuesday, November 21 10:30 PM.	Thanksgiving recess begins
Monday, November 27 8:30 AM.	Classes resume
Friday, December 1	Graduate classes end
Saturday - Tuesday, December 2 - 12	Graduate reading period
Wednesday, December 13	Final examinations begin (9:00 AM.)
Monday, December 18 10:00 PM.	Final examinations end

### **SPRING 2018**

Wednesday, January 10 8:30 AM.	Spring semester begins: The Monday class meeting schedule is in effect on this day; Regular class meeting schedule begins on
Thursday, January 11;	Classes meeting in a Wednesday/Friday meeting pattern begin
January 12;	Drop/Add continues
Thursday, January 11	Regular class meeting schedule begins
Monday, January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday: *classes are rescheduled on Wednesday, January 10
Wednesday, January 24	Drop/Add ends
Monday, February 19	Registration begins for Summer 2018
Friday, March 9 7:00 PM.	Spring recess begins
Monday, March 19 8:30 AM.	Classes resume
Monday, March 26	Bookbagging begins for Fall 2018
Wednesday, April 4	Registration begins for Fall 2018; Summer 2018 registration continues
Friday, April 13	Registration ends for Fall 2018; Summer 2018 registration continues
Saturday, April 14	Drop/Add begins for Fall 2018
Wednesday, April 18	Graduate classes end
Thursday - Sunday, April 19 - 29	Graduate reading period
Monday, April 30	Final examinations begin
Saturday, May 5	10:00 PM. Final examinations end
Friday, May 11	Commencement begins

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