

PhD Orientation
2023

UC San Diego

SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Monday, August 21 - Friday, September 1	Summer English Bridge Program	Location	Required
9:00 am - 11:00 am	English Language Training	Zoom / TLC	International PhD
Tuesday, September 5	Welcome Event & Placement Exams	Location	Required
9:00 am - 11:00 am	Department Welcome Orientation	Faculty Club - Atkinson Pavilion	PhD/JDP
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Welcome Lunch (with Faculty)	Faculty Club - Atkinson Pavilion	PhD/JDP
1:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Placement Exams (General and In-track) for CHEM degree students	Natural Sciences Building (NSB) 2303	PhD/JDP
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	BMB students meet with program faculty	Natural Sciences Building 2nd floor terrace	PhD
Wednesday, September 6	Faculty Talks & Poster Session	Location	Required
10:00 am - 4:00 pm	Faculty Talks (Lunch Provided)	NSB Auditorium	PhD
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Poster Session and Social Mixer	NSB Atrium	PhD
Thursday September 7	Faculty Talks & Lab Open House	Location	Required
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Breakfast	Faculty Club - Atkinson Pavilion	PhD
9:00 am - 3:30 pm	Faculty Talks (Lunch Provided)	Faculty Club - Atkinson Pavilion	PhD
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Lab Open House	Various Locations	PhD
3:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Headshot Photoshoot hosted by the Chemistry Graduate Student Council (CGSC) <small>*Students may participate in this event in between lab open house visits</small>	NSB Atrium	All
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	New Graduate Student Resource Fair	UCSD Town Square	All
Friday, September 8	FYA Academic Advising Sessions	Location	Required
9:00 am - 2:00 pm	First Year Advising meetings for CHEM degree students <small>*Note that some First Year Advisors may have alternate meeting dates; students will be notified via email</small>	Various Locations	PhD/JDP
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Student Affairs Info Session	NSB 2303	PhD
Tuesday, September 12	Lab Safety Orientation	Location	Required
9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Safety Training (CPR/AED, EH&S, Fire Extinguisher)	NSB 2303	PhD/MS
Due prior to 9/25/23	On your own time, complete the "UC Laboratory Safety Fundamentals" and "Annual Laboratory Hazards" training	Online - uclearning.ucsd.edu	PhD/MS
Wednesday, September 13	BBQ Picnic with Graduate Students	Location	Required
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	BBQ Picnic hosted by the Chemistry Graduate Student Council (CGSC)	TBD	PhD/JDP
Thursday, September 14	Follow-up FYA Meeting / Instructor and TA Meetings	Location	Required
	Follow-up First Year Advising Meeting for CHEM students	Coordinated by student and FYA	PhD/JDP
	Instructor and TA Meetings	Coordinated by student and instructor	PhD/MS
Friday, September 15	FYA Academic Advising Sessions for BMB Students	Location	Required
	First Year Advising meetings for BMB degree students	Coordinated by BMB FYA	PhD
Thursday, September 21	Graduate Student Mixer / Bocce + Bowls	Location	Required
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Graduate Student Social: Taco & Bocce Ball	Success Center Lawn	All
Friday, September 22	Department TA Training	Location	Required
8:00 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast	NSB 2303	PhD/MS
8:30 am - 4:00 pm	Teaching Resource Session	NSB 2303	PhD/MS
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch (Hosted by SWIGS)	NSB Terrace	PhD
Monday, September 25	Rotation #1 Begins	Location	Required
	Start of FA23 Quarter (Rotation #1 Begins)	-	All
Tuesday, September 26	New Student Welcome Convocation	Location	Required
5:00 PM	New graduate students are invited to attend this important campus tradition	RIMAC Field	Invited
TBD	Residency Info Session	Location	Required
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TBD	English Language Proficiency Exams	TBD	International PhD
	Other Important Resources	Location	Required
	New Graduate Student Online Orientation (GEPa) Asynchronous content that you can access at your own pace and covers a variety of campus resources.	Online	All
Thursday, September 28	First Day of Classes	Location	Required