



ORIENTATION SCHEDULE FOR NEW STUDENTS
Wednesday, August 31 – Friday, September 2, 2011

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

- 8:30 - 12 Noon** **Service Day 2011 - Optional, but highly encouraged – John Knox Room**
In the spirit of Jesus Christ, the servant of servants, all students and spouses are invited to begin the school year by serving those who are "outside the gates" of the seminary.
- 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.** **Playroom Orientation (for parents with children registering for daycare)**
John Knox Room

Wednesday, August 31, 2011

- 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.** **Breakfast is available in the Kadel Dining Room at your own expense**

Orientation Registration – Rotunda
- 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.** **Worship – Hicks Memorial Chapel**
Chapel Team & Dr. Edwin Chr. van Driel, Assistant Professor of Theology
- 9:10 - 9:40 a.m.** **Welcome to PTS**
Rev. Sherry Sparks, Associate Dean of Admissions
Rev. Dr. William J. Carl III, Seminary President
- 9:40 - 10:25 a.m.** **Introductory Seminars**
Seminar #1 “The Importance of Worship”
Dr. Edwin Chr. van Driel, Assistant Professor of Theology
- 10:25 - 10:40 a.m.** **Break – Refreshments available**
- 10:40 - 11:15 a.m.** **Seminar #2 “What is Theological Study?”**
Dr. Deirdre Hainsworth, Assistant Professor of Ethics and Director of the Center for Business, Religion and Public Life
- 11:15 a.m. 12:00** **Introduction to the Curriculum – John Knox Room**
Rev. Dr. Byron H. Jackson, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty
Anne B. Malone, Registrar
- 12:00 Noon** **Lunch for all students and faculty in the Kadel Dining Room**

- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. The Seminary Community (Part I) – John Knox Room**
- 1:00 - 1:40 p.m. Ministry in the Global Community**
 Rev. Don Dawson, Director of World Mission Initiative
 Rev. Jen Haddox, Associate Director of World Mission Initiative
- 1:40 - 2:20 p.m. Ministry in the Local Community**
 Rev. Dr. Mary Buckley, Interim Program Coordinator of the Metro-Urban Institute
“Using the City as your Campus”
 Dr. Deirdre Hainsworth, Assistant Professor of Ethics and Director of the Center for
 Business, Religion and Public Life
- 2:20 - 3:00 p.m. The Person in Community**
Wellness – Joanne Basillios, Clinical Director, Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute
- 3:00 - 3:15 p.m. Break**
- 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. PC(USA) Student gathering in the John Knox Room for information on the ordination
 process**
 Rev. John C. Welch, Vice President for Student Services and Dean of Students
- 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. United Methodist Student gathering in Room 8**
 Rev. Patricia Nelson, Western PA United Methodist Conference Board of Ordained Ministry
- 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. “Making the Most of Your 2-Years” – (For All MA Students) – Room 2**
 Dr. Deirdre Hainsworth, Assistant Professor of Ethics and Director of the Center for
 Business, Religion and Public Life
- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Free time! Rest and Refresh**
- 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Orientation Dinner for new students and their families
 Kadel Dining Room**
- 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. PTS After Dark**

Thursday, September 1, 2011

- 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast is available in the Kadel Dining Room at your own expense**
- 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Worship – Hicks Memorial Chapel**
 Chapel Team & Dr. Edwin Chr. van Driel, Assistant Professor of Theology
- 9:10 - 10:00 a.m. Photo IDs, Library Orientation**
- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Academic Integrity – John Knox Room**
 Dr. Sharon Taylor, Donald G. Miller Librarian & Director of the Clifford E. Barbour Library

- 11:00 - 11:20 a.m. Faculty Introductions – John Knox Room**
Rev. Dr. Byron H. Jackson, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty
- 11:20 a.m. - 12:00 Meeting with Faculty Advisors**
- 12 noon Lunch for all students and faculty in the Kadel Dining Room**
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Photo IDs, Library Orientation**
- 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Financial Aid Presentation**
- 2:45 - 3:00 p.m. Break – refreshments available**
- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Seminary Community (Part II) – John Knox Room**
Acclimation to seminary
Rev. John C. Welch, Vice President for Student Services and Dean of Students
Student Association Officers
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. PTS Community Cookout & Activity Fair**
- 6:30 p.m. Dessert and information for new married students and spouses in the Shak, sponsored by Spouse2Spouse.**
- 6:30 p.m. A reception for single students and an informal discussion about singles in ministry will be in the McNaugher Lounge**

Friday, September 2, 2011

- 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast available in the Kadel Dining Room at your own expense**
- 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Worship - Hicks Memorial Chapel**
Chapel Team & Dr. Edwin Chr. van Driel, Assistant Professor of Theology
- 9:10 - 9:30 a.m. Break**
- 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. 1) Student Last Names {A-K} – Writing Assessment – Room 3**
- 11:30 a.m.- 12:00 2) Student Last Names {L-Z} – Writing Assessment – Room 2**
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Free Time!**
- 12 noon Lunch in the Kadel Dining Room**
- 1:15 - 3:15 p.m. Boundaries in Ministry Workshop (all new students & employees required)**
Joanne Basillios, Clinical Director, Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute