

**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN  
FALL 2022 PH.D. ORIENTATION PROGRAM**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 15**

\*All times marked with \* will take place in 314 Altgeld Hall

- \*9:30 – 9:45     **Introduction to Department of Mathematics**  
*Professor, Chair Vera Hur*  
*Professor Yuliy Baryshnikov, Director of Graduate Studies*  
*Dr. Karen Mortensen, Associate Director of Graduate Studies*
- \*9:45 – 11:15   **Welcome, Overview and Funding Opportunities of PhD Program**  
*Professor Yuliy Baryshnikov, Director of Graduate Studies*  
*Dr. Karen Mortensen, Associate Director of Graduate Studies*
- \*11:15 – 12:00   **Tour of Altgeld and Coble Halls** – meet in lecture hall 314 Altgeld  
*Advith Govindarajan and Yansy Perez*
- 12:00 – 1:00     **Pick up box lunches** (Outside 267 Altgeld Hall)  
239 AH has tables and chairs and will be open if you would like to eat there or you can find a place to eat outside, or in the lower level of Illini Union, with your fellow students
- 1:00 – 5:00     **Advising Sessions** (see enclosed schedule)
- After your advising session, you should register for classes through UI Self-Service. <https://apps.uillinois.edu/selfservice/index.html>. If you haven't already registered!
  - First Year PhD students must register for Math 499 (1 hour) in addition to their regular courses.
  - Course descriptions can be found at:
  - <https://math.illinois.edu/system/files/2022-08/Fall%202022%20Course%20descriptions.pdf>
  - <https://courses.illinois.edu/schedule/2022/fall/MATH>
- 2:00 – 5:00     **Comprehensive Exam - Math 540** (241 Altgeld Hall) Optional

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 16**

- 9:00 – 12:00     **Comprehensive Exam - Math 542** – (241 Altgeld Hall) Optional
- \*1:00 – 2:00     **Introduction to Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM)** - all genders welcome  
**Pizza provided**  
*Maddy Ritter*
- \*2:00 – 3:00     **Introduction to American Life for International Students**  
*Sai Bavisetty, Maria Siskaki, Karthik Vasu*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17**

- 9:00 – 12:00     **Comprehensive Exam Math 500** – (241 Altgeld Hall) Optional
- \*9:00 – 10:00    **University Policies and Resources**  
*Dr. Karen Mortensen, Associate Director of Graduate Studies*

- \*10:00 – 11:00      **Inmas Informational Meeting**  
*Professor Richard Laugesen and Luke Leisman*
- \*11:00 -12:00      **Panel: Faculty Question & Answer for Grad Students**  
*Professors Bruce Reznick, Pierre Albin, Eugene Lerman*
- 12:00 – 1:00      **Lunch on your own**
- \*1:00 – 2:00      **GEO Presentation** (Graduate Employees' Organization)  
*Grace McCourt and other grad students*
- \*2:00 – 3:00      **Panel: Grad Student Question & Answer**  
*Doron Grossman-Naples, Hanna Kim, Jason Liu, Mina Nahvi, Sambit Senapati*

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00-5:00      **TA Training** (Required for First Time TAs) (314 Altgeld Hall)

The schedule for the TA training will be sent to you via your Illinois email account once it is set.  
Please make sure to show up at the designated time.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00-3:00      **TA Training** (Required for all TAs) (314 Altgeld Hall)

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

**AWM sponsored picnic, 5-8pm**  
**More information to follow**

Additional Resources:

**Orientation videos and documents:**

The Graduate College also has a collection of helpful links for new graduate students. See <https://grad.illinois.edu/gradmap/welcome> .

International graduate students can register for an optional online orientation Aug. 16, 10am-1pm. See [Graduate Orientation | International Student and Scholar Services \(illinois.edu\)](#) to register. They also have a list of fairs, open houses, and social events for new international students.

**Take a virtual tour of the Math Library:**  
<https://www.library.illinois.edu/mtx/about/>