2023 UIS Winter Orientation
First-year and Freshmen Transfer Students

Thursday, January 12

Taking Care of Business: Things You Can Do If You Arrive Early
9 – 10 a.m.   Orientation Help Desk, Public Affairs Center, 1st Floor, Teardrop Entrance
The Orientation Team can help direct you to offices and will have campus maps available.

Campus Tours: Public Affairs Center, 1st Floor
Approximately 50 minutes departing at 9, 9:15, 9:30 a.m.

9 – 10:15 a.m.   Office of Financial Assistance, 1st Floor, University Hall Building
Staff members are available for short consultations with students and parents/guardians this morning.

9 – 10:15 a.m.   Immunization Drop-Off/Health Insurance Questions, Business Services Building, room
Students & Parents can drop off student immunization records. Staff members will be available to answer questions about immunizations, student insurance.

9 – 10:15 a.m.   i-Card Office Open, 30 Student Affairs Building, East Campus
Commuter students pick up your UIS identification card. If you had trouble uploading your picture to the i-Card site, you can have your picture taken and pick up your card within 15 minutes. You must bring proof of ID to pick up your card (driver’s license, State or Federal ID, passport). Students living on campus should pick their card up on Wednesday before checking into your spring housing.

9 – 10:15 a.m.   Campus Opportunity Fair, Public Affairs Center, 1st Floor
Looking to learn more about campus services and meet UIS staff members and current students, representatives from offices including Campus Recreation, Parking Services, and Student Life will be available.

Orientation Check-in
10 – 10:25 a.m.   Orientation Check-in, Public Affairs Center, 1st Floor, Teardrop Entrance

Prairie Star Welcome & Orientation Schedule Overview
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.   Prairie Star Welcome! Public Affairs Center, Conference Rooms C/D
[Student/Parent/Family/Guest Session]
Academic Expectations at UIS: An Overview
University Bursar
Making Financial Aid Work for Student Success

11:35 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.   Student Track [Student Sessions]
Students will meet current classmates and orientation leaders to get questions answered; learn more about what it means to be a member of the university community, academic requirements, meet with an advisor and register for classes. Lunch is included in the student schedule.

11:35 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.   Parent Track [Parent/Family/Guest Sessions]
Parents will attend sessions by faculty on topics about differences between college and high school/faculty and classroom expectations, and the college student transition. Presentations on topics such as UIS Technology, Campus Safety, Health & Counseling Services, Career Services, and Student Academic Support Services. Lunch is included in the parent schedule.

4:30 p.m.   Students meet up with Parents. Public Affairs Center, Conference Room C/D

4:35 – 5 p.m.   Closing: What’s Next. Public Affairs Center, Conference Room C/D.