Carnegie Mellon University

2018 Ph.D. in Biological Sciences Orientation

Date and Time	Event	Place
Monday, August 20		
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Breakfast at Pamela's Diner with Ph.D Graduate Students Fiona Fitzgerald, Alexander Hodge, Amber Lucas, Daniel Wilson	Pamela's Diner, 1711 Murray Avenue, Pittsburgh (Squirrel Hill), PA 15217 (412-422-9457)
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Welcome New Graduate Students Aaron Mitchell, Department Head	Mellon Institute (MI) Library
10:45 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Graduate Student Affairs Ena Miceli, Director of Graduate Operations	Mellon Institute (MI) Library
11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m	Business Office Session Carol Lee, Assistant Business Manager and David Casillas, Business Manager	Mellon Institute (MI) Library
1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Faculty Talk 1 Alison Barth, Professor	MI Social Room 328
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Faculty Talk 2 C. Joel McManus, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Departmental Welcome New Graduate Students Sugar and Spice Ice Cream Truck	MI Front Steps
3:00 p.m 3:30 p.m.	Faculty Talk 3 (computationally-relevant Bio Sci faculty) Russell Schwartz, Professor	MI Social Room 328
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Faculty Talk 4 (computationally-relevant Bio Sci faculty) Dannie Durand, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328

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9:00 a.m 10:00 a.m.	MI Library Tour Melanie Gainey, Library Liaison to Biological Sciences, Huajin Wang, Biomedical Data Science Liaison, University Libraries	MI Library, Fourth Floor
10:30 a.m 11:30 a.m.	Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens with Ph.D. Graduate Students Christina Akirtava, Max Cravener, Teresa Spix, Daniel Wilson	Meet inside the main entrance of Phipps Conservatory, 1 Schenle Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15213
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Lunch at The Porch with Ph.D. Graduate Students Max Cravener, Amber Lucas, Stephanie Myal, Ian Rosner	Meet at The Porch
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Environmental Health and Safety Training, Part 1/3 Jeff Harris, Senior Chemical Safety Specialist	MI Social Room 328
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Faculty Talk 1 Charles Ettensohn, Professor	MI Social Room 328
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Faculty Talk 2 Aaron Mitchell, Professor and Department Head	MI Social Room 328
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Faculty Talk 3 Tina Lee, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328
4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Faculty Talk 4 John Woolford, Professor	MI Social Room 328

Wednesday, August 22

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Photo Session (dress professionally)	MI 4th floor foyer
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Faculty Talk 1 Adam Linstedt, Professor	MI Social Room 328
10:00 a.m 10:30 a.m.	Faculty Talk 2 Brooke McCartney, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328
10:30 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Faculty Talk 3 Yongxin (Leon) Zhao, Assistant Professor	MI Social Room 328
11:00 a.m 11:30 a.m.	Faculty Talk 4 Jonathan Minden, Professor	MI Social Room 328
11:30 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Faculty Talk 5 Eric Yttri, Assistant Professor	MI Social Room 328
12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Environmental Health and Safety Training, Part 2/3 Paul Minor, EH & S Specialist	MI Social Room 328
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	MCS Active Learning Seminar Katie Walsh, Teaching Consultant, Eberly Center	Doherty Hall 2302
3:30 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Statistics Workshop (bring your laptop) Sandra Kuhlman, Associate Professor Ryan Parrotte, IT Support Consultant	MI Social Room 328

Thursday, August 23

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Faculty Talk 1 Sandra Kuhlman, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Faculty Talk 2 Huaiying Zhang, Assistant Professor	MI Social Room 328
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Faculty Talk 3 Veronica Hinman, Professor	MI Social Room 328
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Faculty Talk 4 Nick Giannoukakis, Adjunct Associate Professor, Institute of Cellular Therapeutics – Allegheny Health Network	MI Social Room 328
11:00 a.m. – Noon	Environmental Health and Safety Training, Part 3/3 Andrew Lawson, Biological & Radiation Safety Officer	MI Social Room 328
1:00 p.m 1:30 p.m.	Journal Club Requirements Luisa Hiller, Associate Professor and Sandra Kuhlman, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Course, Rotation, and Lab Selections Aaron Mitchell, Department Head and Veronica Hinman, Associate Professor	MI Social Room 328
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Graduate Student Assembly and Mellon Fit Katie Lagree and Surya Aggarwal Ph.D. Candidates	MI Social Room 328
5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Welcome Happy Hour Biological Sciences Graduate Students (MSCB & PHD)	The Yard 736 Bellefonte Street Pittsburgh (Shadyside), PA 15232 412-709-6351

Friday, August 24		
8:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Ph.D. Advisory Committee – Individual Advising Andrade (8:45 a.m.), Boothman (9:00 a.m.), Cheng (9:15 a.m.), Cundiff (9:30 a.m.), Frey (9:45 a.m.), Fu (10:00 a.m.), Gallagher (10:15 a.m.), Hsu (10:30 a.m.), McCormick (10:45 a.m.), Meyer (11:00 a.m.), Park (11:15 a.m.), Smith (11:30 a.m.), Wilkens (11:45 p.m.), Zhu (12:00 p.m.)	MI Social Room 328
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Food Truck Lunch Coop Chicken & Waffles, Tango Food Truck, Pgh Smokehouse, and PGH Halal Food	MI 5 th Avenue Entrance