

**NEW GRADUATE STUDENTS' ORIENTATION SCHEDULE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY**  
August 15 through September 2, 2022

*Welcome to the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department at UWM!*

All incoming graduate students are required to participate in all activities, including teaching orientation and practice laboratory/discussion. Placement exams also must be taken at the scheduled time.

<b>August 15, Monday</b> 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.	Review of Orientation Schedule Professor Aldstadt Location: CHM 197
9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Description and Introduction to the Graduate Program Professor Silvaggi Location: CHM 197
10:00 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.	Research Talks by Faculty Professor Silvaggi
10:20 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Ms. Elise D. Nicks, Graduate Program Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Questions/Answers</li></ul> Location: CHM 197
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Mr. Kevin Blackburn, Dept Administrator and Building Chair Introduce office staff - Ms. Shelley Hagen for ordering, and Ms. Kate Jiannacopoulos to discuss schedules and absences. Location: CHM 197
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.	Kevin Blackburn, Dept Administrator and Building Chair Location: CHM 197
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Ms. Elise D. Nicks, Graduate Program Coordinator Desk location and keys. Location: 164
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b> (w/Graduate Student Council) - provided by Dept.

**NOTE:** Placement exams are absolute requirements for all incoming graduate student.

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1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.	Kevin Blackburn, Dept Administrator and Building Chair Building tour
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	<b>Analytical Chemistry Placement Examination</b> Proctor: Ms. Nicks Location: CHM 197
<b>August 16, Tuesday</b> 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	<b>Inorganic Chemistry Placement Examination</b> Proctor: Ms. Nicks Location: CHM 197
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Ms. Wendy Grober, Assistant to the Department Chair to discuss payroll, payroll periods and payroll deduction options. Location: CHM 197
12:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<b>Organic Chemistry Placement Examination</b> Proctor: Ms. Nicks Location: CHM 197
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	<b>Physical Chemistry Placement Examination</b> Proctor: Ms. Nicks Location: CHM 197
<b>August 17, Wednesday</b> 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 a.m.	<b>Biochemistry Placement Examination</b> Proctor: Ms. Nicks Location: CHM 197
	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. 1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Professor Jarett Wilcoxon Professor Frick
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2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Instructional Lab Tour and Information</b> Dr. Katryna Williams, (Lab Mgr.) Location: CHM 286

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2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.      **Tour of the Milwaukee Institute of Drug Discovery Lab**  
Dr. Anna M. Benko (Lab Mgr.)  
Location: CHM 197

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.      **Glassblower Shop**  
Neal Korfhage  
(Scientific Glassblower)  
Location: CHM B11

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.      **NMR Laboratory**  
Dr. Frank-Holger Foersterling  
(Supervisor of the NMR Lab)  
Location: CHM B10

**August 18, Thursday**      **Advising Committee**  
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.      Professors Peng and Woehl  
Student Advising. A team of faculty advisors will assist you  
In determining your fall course schedule. (Please check your  
email to see your meeting time with the Advising Committee)  
Location: 197

1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.      **Research Talks by Faculty (CHM 197)**  
1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.      Professor Woehl  
Professor Cook

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2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.      Professor Peng

**August 19, Friday**      **FALL 2022 Information:**  
10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.      **International F-1/J-1 Student Orientation**

The Fall 2022 International F-1/J-1 Student Orientation will be held in two parts, both as an **online course and an in-person meeting**. This orientation is for F-1 and J-1 Students who will be joining UWM in-person for the Fall 2022 semester.

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### Online Course Information:

- The course is being held through Canvas, which is UWM's online course system.
- The online course is self-paced and must be completed by September 19, 2022.
- **You will be automatically enrolled in the online course after you have completed your [Arrival Check-In](#).**

### In-Person Meeting Information:

- **REGISTRATION Required**
  - Register by logging into your ISSS Connect portal, going to the DOCUMENTS & REQUESTS tab, complete and submit the **F-1/J-1 Student Orientation Meeting Registration** request.
- Graduate Students with an Assistantship: The in-person meeting event will be held on **August 19, 2022**.
  - **REGISTRATION OPEN 8/1/2022 through 8/12/2022**
  - Location: Library 4th Floor Conference Room
  - Time: 10:30am-2:30pm

**Note for students admitted as Dual Students:** For more information on your Dual status requirements and the English Language Academy (ELA) Class Information for Dual Students, visit the ELA Programs Office.

**Note for students with Conditional Admission:** Students with Conditional Admission must Attend the orientation in the UWM Intensive English Program. Students will attend an orientation at the Center for International Education when their status changes to dual admission or regular admission.

**August 22, Monday**    **CETL's New TA orientation will be held virtually Monday,**  
9:00 a.m. - 4:40 p.m.    Dear New Teaching Assistants,

I strongly encourage you to complete the 2022 New TA Orientation, hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning and available entirely online.

1. The first portion of the 2022 virtual TA orientation will kick off at **9:00am on August 22nd and continue (with breaks) through 4:40pm**. This packed day will consist of a series of synchronous and interactive presentations, workshops, and trainings; and will provide you with the information you need to begin teaching at UWM.

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2. The synchronous live orientation will be supplemented by an online course that offers asynchronous access to additional content and will introduce you to HR, campus policies, resources, and additional services available to you at UWM.

If you complete all components of this year's TA training by the end of September, you will earn the CETL TA Professional Development Digital Badge.

Finally, given the ongoing disruption to education and travel caused by the COVID19 pandemic, we realize not all international students will be able to attend the training live. Therefore, all components of the TA orientation will be recorded, and special accommodations will be made for those international students who were unable to attend the live components but still wish to complete the digital badge.

**To register for the New TA Orientation, simply follow this link: <https://uwm.edu/cetl/programs/orientations/2022-graduate-teaching-assistant-orientation/>**

For further information or questions, contact the TA Orientation coordinator Lane Sunwall ([sunwall@uwm.edu](mailto:sunwall@uwm.edu)).

<b>August 23, Tuesday</b>	<b>Research Talks by Faculty (CHM 197)</b>
10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Professor Arjun Saha
10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Professor Joseph Aldstadt

<b>August 24, Wednesday</b>	<b>FALL 2022 Milwaukee International Teaching Assistant (MITAA)</b> – only for students notified by the Center for International Education
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<b>August 25, Thursday</b>	<b>Research Talks by Faculty (CHM 197)</b>
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Professor Dietz
9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Professor Chen

### **New Graduate Student Orientation Agenda**

The event will be hosted virtually from 1:00 p.m. to approximately 4:30 p.m.  
[Register before 1:00pm \(CDT\) on Thursday, August 25 to receive your link to the event.](#)

#### **1:00pm – 2:00pm: Main Presentation – Welcome to Graduate School**

- **Welcome** – Scott Gronert, Interim Provost

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- **Welcome** – Mark Harris, Dean of the Graduate School
- **Welcome & Keys to Success** – Associate Dean of the Graduate School

### **Campus Resources**

- Lori Bokowy, M.Ed., CHES, Emotional Health Promotion Coordinator
- Chia Youyee Vang, Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Adam Jussel, Dean of Students
- Michael Doyle, Associate Vice Provost, and Library Director

**2:00pm – 2:45pm: Alumni/current grad student panel** – Shane Haensgen, Doctoral Retention Advisor (moderator)

**2:45pm – 3:15pm: Technology Q&As** – Therese Bohn, IT Training & Outreach Manager (presenter) & Cassie McMurphy, IT Communications Coordinator (Moderator)

**3:15pm – 3:30pm: What are Assistantships and Fellowships?** – Erin C. Fox, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School (presenter)

**3:30pm – 4:00pm: Financial aid Q&As** – Cynthia Reindl, Senior Financial Aid Advisor (presenter)

Please check out our Graduate Resource page for all resources on campus that are here to support you during your graduate education experience! [Graduate School and Campus Resources](#)

### **August 26, Friday**

10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

12:45 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### **Research Talks by Faculty**

Professor Murphy

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(Working lunch and TA orientation)

### **General Exam (Dr. Murphy)**

More information to follow

### **August 29, Monday**

8:15 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

### **Milwaukee Analytical Chemistry Conference (MACC) (Day 1)**

Location: Kenwood IRC

### **August 30, Tuesday**

### **Milwaukee Analytical Chemistry Conference (MACC) (Day 2)**

Location: Kenwood IRC

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### Research Talks by Faculty (CHM 197)

2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Professor Arnold
2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Professor Pacheco
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Professor Hossain
3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Professor Rodriguez

### HR Benefits Reviews

<b>10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.</b>	New Graduate Students Engelmann Hall: Room 105
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Welcome to the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee! We are pleased you have chosen to join a dynamic and innovative group of employees whose contributions are vital to the success of public higher education in Wisconsin.

As an employee at UW-Milwaukee, your benefits are an important part of your total compensation package. UW offers a variety of benefits plans which have a **30-day enrollment window**. Your attendance at the benefits review is critical to ensure you understand the comprehensive benefits package. The session includes:

- An Overview of Your Extensive UW Benefits Package
- Understanding Your Payroll
- Tutorial on how to Enroll in Benefits
- Questions & Answers Opportunity with a Benefits Expert
- Campus Safety Overview

<b>August 31, Wednesday</b> 8:00a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	<b>Professor Kristen Murphy</b> <b>Mentor Training</b>
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11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	<b>Chemistry Picnic to Welcome New Graduate Students</b> Location: Lake Park (Lake Park, Area # 5) (Photos of new graduate students will be taken)
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<b>September 1, Thursday</b>	<i>You should expect to meet with your TA instructor for instructions.</i>
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<b>September 2, Friday</b>	<i>You should expect to meet with your TA instructor for</i>
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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 ---- FIRST DAY OF INSTRUCTION**

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