Spring 2009 New International Student Orientation
Loyola University New Orleans
Center for International Education

Thursday, January 8, 2009
Mercy Hall, Room 301

9:00 – 9:30  Breakfast, CIE Welcome, Introductions and Overview of Orientation

9:30 – 10:00  SEVIS & Immigration: How do I stay in status?

10:00 – 10:15  Break

10:15 – 10:45  Important Topics & Practical Information
   • Health Insurance
     o Mandatory requirement
     o Insurance Waiver Petition Form—Deadline is Monday, January 19th.
   • Getting Settled
     o Bank Accounts
     o Cell Phones
     o Social Security Number
     o Driver’s Licenses
   • Out and About in New Orleans
     o On-campus activities
       • CIE – Reception, Mercy 301, Thursday, January 15, 4 – 6 p.m.
       • ISA
       • inBUS
       • CIE – Dinner – Friday, January 23, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
     o French Quarter & Downtown—Streetcar
     o Stay Local maps
     o Lagniappe, Gambit and Offbeat
     o Safety
     o Mardi Gras
   • U.S. Classroom Culture
     o Learner-centered environment
     o Interacting with Faculty
     o Resources: WAC Lab
   • Getting Started at Loyola
     o Student ID – gives access to the dorms, meals and the library
     o Meal plan
     o Registering for classes
     o LORA
     o Email Access
     o School Breaks
       • Martin Luther King (Monday, January 19th)
       • Mardi Gras Holidays (Monday, February 3rd – Tuesday, February 4th)
       • Easter Holidays (Monday, April 6th – Monday, April 13th)
     o Last Day of Class—Wednesday, April 29th
     o Final Exams—(Saturday, May 1st – Friday, May 7th)

10:45 – 11:15  Question & Answer Session
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11:15 – 11:30  Break (*F-1 students leave to go to Loyola NSO*)
11:30 – 12:15 Lunch
12:15 – 1:15  Scavenger Hunt
1:15 – 1:30  Break
1:30 – 2:30  Inside Scoop: What I Wish Someone Had Told Me My First Year at Loyola
Mercy Hall, Room 311
2:30 – 3:00  Break
3:00 – 3:15 Personal tour of the Loyola Bookstore (optional)
3:30 – 4:30 Campus Tour (optional)
5:00 – 7:30  Streetcar & French Quarter (optional)

Saturday, January 10, 2009 (optional)
Mercy Hall Parking Lot

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  Tour of 9th Ward and Prospect.1 art sites throughout the city.

(Prospect.1 New Orleans [P.1] is the largest biennial of international contemporary art ever organized in the United States. P.1 opened to the public on November 1, 2008 in museums, historic buildings, and found sites throughout New Orleans and will run through January 18, 2009).