

# 2016 SIM Orientation Schedule of Events

## WEEK 1

	What	Who	Synopsis	Time	Where	Mandatory
<b>Tuesday, 06Sep</b>	SIMSA Pit Stop & Rowe Tour	SIMSA (J. Ericson)	Stop by the SIM Common Room to meet some of your fellow classmates and grab some coffee before starting orientation. We will be providing tours of the Rowe Building your new academic "home".	10:00 - 11:15	Rowe 4034	
	SIM Welcome	SIM, SIMAA, SIMSA	Good opportunity to put faces to names: very brief introductions of SIM staff and faculty.	11:30 - 12:00	Rowe 3089	√
	SIMSA Luncheon	SIMSA (J. Ericson)	Enjoy a light lunch while mingling with your new SIM colleagues.	12:15 - 1:15	Rowe 3087	√
	Tips 'n Tricks	SIMSA (Katie Gallant)	This student-led session will provide incoming students with helpful tips and advice to help them get started at SIM. These 'tips'n tricks' all come from the first hand experiences of previous years' incoming classes.	1:30 - 2:30	Rowe 3089	√
<b>Wednesday, 07Sep</b>	Academic Support Series Intro	Lindsay McNiff, IM Subject Specialist, Dal Libraries	This session will introduce MLIS students to resources and services available through the Dal Libraries; it will also provide some important hints on becoming oriented to the Libraries. Lindsay will also discuss this year's offerings in the SIM Academic Support Series, a set of workshops designed to supplement students' academic study in practical ways and provide a space outside the classroom for students to collect research advice and real-world tips about libraries.	11:35 - 12:35	Rowe 2068	√
<b>Thursday, 08Sep</b>	MLIS Orientation Series #1: Tips for Graduate Student Success	Sandra Toze, SIM Director	The transition to graduate school, and in particular a professional program, provides many new opportunities. This session will provide some useful tips on how to thrive in graduate school, and will outline expectations around workload and assignments, working collaboratively with Faculty, customizing your program and getting involved in professional organizations. The session is designed to be interactive, and will include a panel discussion with 2nd year students and time for Q&A.	1:00 - 2:30	Rowe 4034 (SIM Common Room)	√

## WEEK 2

<b>Monday, 12Sep</b>	MLIS Orientation Series #2: Effective Teamwork	Sandra Toze, SIM Director	Working collaboratively on teams is a critical skill required in the workplace. Many SIM courses emphasize groupwork and group projects as a core part of the curriculum. This session will provide an overview of the practices of effective teams, and give you some tools and frameworks to help you build your capacity, and thrive in group assignments.	12:00 - 1:30	Rowe 5001	√
	MCS Career Intelligence: Intro to Personal & Professional Development (PPD)	Robert Wooden, Management Career Services	This session will introduce incoming MLIS students to "career intelligence". Students will be encouraged think about their career development in the context of their MLIS education. MCS services provided to MLIS students will be outlined.	1:30 - 2:30	Rowe 5001	√
<b>Wednesday, 14Sep</b>	Academic Support Series: APA Citation	Lindsay McNiff	This quick interactive session will cover general principles of what, when, and how to cite using SIM's standard, the American Psychological Association (APA) style.  This session is mandatory for first-year students; there is limited space for interested returning students.	12:30 - 1:30	Rowe 5001	√
<b>Thursday, 15Sep</b>	Dalhousie Libraries' MLIS Student Welcome Reception; Summer Shine	Dalhousie Libraries	Join future colleagues and the experts who will support you as you become information professionals, at the Dal Libraries' MLIS Student Welcome Reception. At the Reception you will hear about the projects your fellow MLIS students have undertaken during their internships at the Dal Libraries as part of the Summer Shine presentations.	11:45 - 1:30	Grad Pad, 4th Fl, Killam Library, 6225 University Avenue	√

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Thursday, 15Sep	Associations Display	SIMSA	The School of Information Management includes many student led academic professional associations. Each association will present a quick lightning talk style description of what they do, then you can approach them at booths for more information and access to mailing lists.	2:00 - 3:30	Rowe 3087	√
	SIMSA AGM	SIMSA	The SIMSA Annual General Meeting is a great time to meet the chairs of SIMSA and learn what your student association has planned for the year. SIMSA will also explain the two positions open to incoming students and free pizza will be provided!	3:30 - 4:25	Rowe 3089	√

### WEEK 3

Monday, 19Sep	Academic Integrity in the Faculty of Management: Not Worth the Risk	Bob Mann, Manager of Discipline & Appeals	<b>Choose one: session: 19Sep OR 21Sep</b> <b>Students must bring their DalCard to session</b> Bob Mann, Manager of Discipline and Appeals for the Dalhousie Senate, will talk about the culture of academic integrity at Dalhousie University so you will know what to expect during your time as a student. He'll also let you in on some of the unfortunate consequences that students in the past have suffered when they broke the rules in order to gain an academic advantage over their classmates.	1:00 - 2:00	Rowe 5001	√
Wednesday, 21Sep	Academic Integrity in the Faculty of Management: Not Worth the Risk	Bob Mann, Manager of Discipline & Appeals	<b>Choose one: session: 19Sep OR 21Sep</b> <b>Students must bring their DalCard to session</b> Bob Mann, Manager of Discipline and Appeals for the Dalhousie Senate, will talk about the culture of academic integrity at Dalhousie University so you will know what to expect during your time as a student. He'll also let you in on some of the unfortunate consequences that students in the past have suffered when they broke the rules in order to gain an academic advantage over their classmates.	1:00 - 2:00	Rowe 5001	√

### WEEK 4

Wednesday, 28Sep	SIMAA Welcome Reception & Outstanding Alumni Presentation	SIM Associated Alumni	At this reception, the SIM Associated Alumni welcomes MLIS students and invites them congratulate the 2016 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient. <b>RSVP's required: <a href="http://bit.ly/2beJ6NI">http://bit.ly/2beJ6NI</a></b>	5:30-7:30	Great Hall, University Club	√
Thursday, 29Sep	SIM Luncheon	SIM	Another opportunity to get to know your classmates and SIM faculty and staff better. <b>RSVP (sim@dal.ca) by Sept 22nd.</b>	1:00 - 2:00	Rowe 3087	√
	Beyond the Classroom	SIM	A graduate degree presents many opportunities to move beyond the current status quo and advance the field you are studying. This happens inside the classroom and also beyond the classroom, as you engage in research and scholarly work in collaboration with SIM faculty and students. This session will give a quick introduction to research in SIM, including where we've shared our work nationally and internationally, ways in which students have taken leadership roles in research, and potential opportunities for your own participation!	2:00 - 3:30	Rowe 3089	√