



Fall 2010
Prelude Calendar

NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC
ORIENTATION 2010 - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, August 28th

- 9:00 - 5:00 **Residence Hall Open for New Students**
Keys available in the lobby of the Residence Hall.
- 9:00 - 1:00 **Student ID Pictures for Resident Students Only**
St. Botolph Security Office
- 5:30 - 7:30 **Cook-Out for New Residence Hall Students**
St. Botolph Gardens (Parking Lot)
- 7:00 - 9:00 **Parents' Reception / Hosted by Institutional Advancement**
Pierce Hall (St. Botolph Building – 1st Floor)

Sunday, August 29th

- 9:00 - 5:00 **Residence Hall Check-In for New Students**
Keys available in the lobby of the Residence Hall.
- 9:00 - 4:00 **Orientation Check-In for New Students**
Beginning at 9:00. Orientation packets available for new students.
Check-in any time between 9:00 and 4:00
Beethoven
- 4:00 - 5:30 **Student Recital**
Continuing NEC students perform for new students and parents.
Jordan Hall
- 5:30 - 6:00 **Reception for Parents, Students and Performers**
Brown Hall
- 7:00 - 9:00 **Mandatory Residence Hall/Security Meetings**
(Meetings will be held on each floor of Residence Hall to discuss Residence Hall policies and security issues.)

Monday, August 30th

- 9:00 - 10:00 **President's Welcome for New Students and Families**
Remarks by President Tony Woodcock, Dean of the College Tom Novak, Dean of Students Thomas Handel, Assistant Dean of Students Suzanne Hegland and Health Services Coordinator Leah McKinnon-Howe
Jordan Hall
- 9:00 - 11:00 **Student ID Pictures for All Students**
St. Botolph Security Office
- 10:00 - 11:00 **Information Session for Families**
NEC staff members respond to questions from parents.
Jordan Hall
- 10:00 - 4:00 **Orientation Check-In (Continued)**
Orientation packets available for new students.
Beethoven
- 10:00 - 12:00 **Peer Advisor Leader (PAL) session**
All undergraduate students and interested graduate students meet with their Peer Advisor Leaders.
Williams Hall
- 11:00 - 1:00 **Locker Sign-out for Off-Campus Students Only**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)
- 11:30 - 1:00 **Light Luncheon for New Students and Families**
Hosted by the Dean of the College
Brown Hall
- 1:00 - 2:00 **Immigration Information Session**
(Mandatory for International Students)
Suzanne Hegland, Mary Weber and Rebecca Teeters discuss naturalization service regulations, visas, and student status.
Pierce Hall
- 2:00 - 3:00 **Incoming Student Meeting (Mandatory for all students)**
Welcome from President Woodcock; information on the Entrepreneurial Musicianship Department and other opportunities for student involvement at NEC.
Jordan Hall
- 3:00 - 4:00 **Ensemble Meeting (Mandatory for all students with ensemble requirements)**
The Dean of the College, directors of ensembles, and administrative staff discuss NEC's large ensembles.
Jordan Hall

- 11:00 - 12:00 **Time Management for Busy Musicians Seminar**
(Recommended for ALL Undergraduates)
 How can you best organize your day? How can you maximize your practice and rehearsal time? Explore the best-kept secrets of time management in this interactive session. Start the year on the right track.
 Presented by Angela Beeching, Director of the Career Services Center and Patrick Keppel, Chair, Liberal Arts Department and Director of the NEC Writing & Learning Center
Williams Hall
- 10:00 - 12:15 **Undergraduate Transfer Credit Evaluations**
 Transfer students should consult orientation folders for assigned appointment times with the Academic Advisors.
Office of Student Services (SB 224)
- 1:00 - 2:00 **Undergraduate Class Meeting (Mandatory)**
 Required for all undergraduate students.
 Discussion of undergraduate curriculum, theory placement exams, academic honesty and registration procedures.
Williams Hall
- 1:00 – 2:00 **Life Management for Graduate Student Musicians**
 Tips for how to get the most out of NEC and out of Boston, plus tips on how to manage your projects, scheduling, and finances. Get informed and clarify your priorities. Start the year on track. Presented by Angela Beeching, Director of the Career Services Center
SB 113
- 2:30 - 3:30 **Graduate Class Meeting (Mandatory)**
 Required for all graduate students.
 Discussion of graduate curriculum, theory placement exams, academic honesty and registration procedures.
Williams Hall
- 3:30 - 4:30 **String Department Meeting**
Williams Hall
- 6:00 - 9:00 **Opera Program Auditions for Returning Graduate Students**
 (Only available for returning students who have passed the MM Theory Exam. Sign up on Opera Board. Opera placement posted on Friday, September 3.)
St. Botolph G14

6:00p - 7:30p Placement Examination in the Fundamentals of Music Theory Required of all undergraduate students. St. Botolph third floor

7:30p - 9:30p **Tonal Practice Placement Examination**
St. Botolph third floor

7:00p - 10:00p **Master of Music Theory Competency Examination**
Required for all MM Students and those wishing to enroll in graduate theory courses. Students must be prepared to present photo ID's; no electronic dictionaries may be used. **Brown Hall**

Wednesday, September 1st

9:00 - 12:00 **New Student Orchestral Auditions – Strings**
1:00 - 4:00 (See orchestra board for assigned times or see www.necorchestras.info/)
Jordan Hall

9:00 - 5:00 **Choral Auditions**
(Check your Orientation Folder for assigned times.)
Jordan Hall Building 1M

9:00 -10:00 **Library and Audio/Visual Department Tour**
10:00-11:00 Tour of Spaulding and Firestone libraries, as well as the Audio
11:00-12:00 Department and its facilities.
Spaulding Library

9:00 - 3:00 **Academic Advising (Mandatory for All Students)**
Information on registration and degree requirements. Bring Orientation Packet.

St. Botolph 315

9:30 Undergraduate Woodwinds, Guitar and Harp
10:00 Graduate Woodwind, Guitar and Harp
10:30 Undergraduate Piano
11:00 Graduate Piano and Collaborative Piano
11:30 Graduate Composition, Theory and Musicology
1:00 Undergraduate Voice - UGOS
2:00 Graduate Voice and Vocal Pedagogy
2:30 Undergraduate Composition

St. Botolph 320

9:00 Undergraduate Contemporary Improvisation and Jazz
9:30 Graduate Contemporary Improvisation and Jazz
10:00 Undergraduate Brass and Percussion
10:30 Graduate Brass and Percussion
11:00 Undergraduate Strings
11:30 Graduate Strings
2:30 Wind Ensemble/Choral/Orchestral Conducting
3:00 TUFTS/NEC Double Degree Students

9:00 - 11:00 **Student ID Pictures for All Students**
St. Botolph Security Office

9:30 - 11:00 **Voice and Vocal Pedagogy Departmental Meeting**
Williams Hall
Required for all voice performance and pedagogy majors.

10:00 - 1:00	Jazz and CI Theory and Ear Training Exams Required of Jazz and Contemporary Improvisation majors and any Classical majors interested in taking jazz theory courses. St. Botolph 113
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11:00 - 1:00 **Locker Sign-out for Off-Campus Students Only**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)

12:00 - 1:00 **Woodwind Departmental Meeting**
St. Botolph G01

1:00 - 9:00 **Opera Program Auditions for New and Returning Graduate Students**
(Sign up on Opera Board. Opera placement posted on Friday, September 3.)
St. Botolph G14

3:00 - 6:00 **Undergraduate Transfer Credit Evaluations**
Transfer students should consult orientation folders for assigned appointment
times with the Academic Advisors.
Office of Student Services (SB 224)

3:00 - 9:30	Undergraduate Solfege Examinations (Check Office of Student Services Board for assigned times) Individual exams required of each undergraduate student. St. Botolph 313, 317, 318, 319, 320
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4:00 - 9:00 **Undergraduate Keyboard Harmony Examinations**
(Students who pass the fundamentals examination on Tuesday evening will be required to take a keyboard harmony exam. Check the Office of Student Services Board on Wednesday afternoon for exam results and sign-up sheet.)
St. Botolph 3rd Floor

6:00 - 7:00 **TOEFL Placement Session**
Panagiota Kambouris will meet individually with students to discuss the results of the TOEFL.
St. Botolph 300

7:00 – 8:00 **Evening Stroll**
Explore the Fenway. Take a stroll through the Fenway neighborhood and see Fenway Park.
Led by Residence Life Staff.
Meet in front of 33G

8:00 - 11:00 **Jazz Jam Session (Mandatory for All New Jazz Majors)**
A jam session for all new students majoring in jazz performance. Bring your instrument. Guitar and bass amplifiers and a vocal P.A. will be provided. Everyone is invited to come and listen.
Brown Hall

Thursday, September 2nd

9:00 - 12:00 **New Student Orchestral Auditions**
1:00 - 4:00 (See orchestra board for assigned times or see www.necorchestras.info/.)
Jordan Hall

9:00 - 5:00 **Choral Auditions**
(Check your Orientation Folder for assigned times.)
Jordan Hall Building 1M

9:00 - 5:00 **Voice Department Orientation Hearings**
(See the Voice Department Board for assigned times.)
Williams Hall

9:00 - 12:00 **Opera Program Auditions for New and Returning Graduate Students**
(Sign up on Opera Board. Opera placement posted on Friday, September 3.)
St. Botolph G14

9:00 - 1:00 **Jazz Ensemble Auditions**
(See Jazz Board or Orientation Folders for assigned times.)
St. Botolph G01

- 9:00 - 11:00 **Student ID Pictures for All Students**
St. Botolph Security Office
- 10:00 - 10:30 **Wellness Seminar**
Required for all undergraduates – attendance taken.
Brown Hall
- 10:30 - 12:00 **Health Fair for all NEC students**
Representatives from the NEC Health and Counseling Center; YMCA and Northeastern University's Marino Fitness Center; Alexander Technique Practitioner; Yoga and Pilates Instructors; Performance Health Screenings, Weight-Watchers, Free Chair Massage, Healthy Snacks and Raffle.
Brown Hall
- 11:00 - 1:00 **Locker Sign-out for Off-Campus Students Only**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)
- 1:00 - 3:00 **DMA Students Meeting (Mandatory)**
Tony Woodcock, Chair and Thomas Handel, Academic Chair of the DMA program, discuss the curriculum, register students and answers individual questions. Lunch provided.
St. Botolph Conference Room (SB 231)
- 2:00 - 5:00 **Registration for Undergraduate Transfer Students**
See Office of Student Services Board for assigned times.
Office of Student Services (SB 224)
- 2:30 - 4:00 **Performance and Work Opportunities in Boston**
For US and International Students
Angela Beeching, Director of Career Services will lead a discussion on opportunities for students, including local concert series, establishing teaching studios, competitions and festivals, and finding freelance work. With additional colleagues, we'll cover work issues for international students, as well as using the Music Referral Service, Community Performances and Partnerships programs, and the Bridge database.
Brown Hall
- 3:00 - 3:30 **Collaborative Piano Department Meeting**
Jordan Hall Building 210
- 4:00 - 5:30 **Jazz Studies Department Meeting**
St. Botolph 113
- 6:30 - 8:00 **Yoga for Musicians**
Join us for our first class of the semester. Weekly classes taught by Ryan Cunningham, certified yoga instructor and MM '11.
Sponsored by Student Activities.
St. Botolph G13

Friday, September 3rd

9:00 - 12:00 **New Student Orchestral Auditions**
1:00 - 4:00 (See orchestra board for assigned times or see www.necorchestras.info/.)
Jordan Hall

9:00 - 5:00 **Voice Department Orientation Hearings**
(See the Voice Department Board for assigned times.)
Williams Hall

9:00 - 4:00 **Choral Auditions**
(Check your Orientation Folder for assigned time.)
Jordan Hall Building 1M

8:45 - 3:30 **Master of Music Sight Singing Exams**

Master of Music students may be required to take a sight singing exam, depending on the results of their written theory exam. Students who are required to take the sight-singing exam will receive e-mail notification, sent to their NEC e-mail address by 5:00 PM on Thursday, September 2. (Graduate Diploma students do not take a sight-singing exam.)

St. Botolph 3rd Floor

9:30 - 4:00 **Registration for Master of Music and Graduate Diploma Students**

See your Orientation Packet for appointment time. Do not schedule any other activities during this time-period as appointments may not be changed.

(Students who miss their registration appointments will be charged a late registration fee of \$210.)

Pierce Hall (SB 1st floor)

9:30 - 5:00 **Registration for Undergraduate Students (Non – Transfer)**

9:30	Last Names Beginning with A-C	2:30	Last Names Beginning with M-O
10:00	Last Names Beginning with D-F	3:00	Last Names Beginning with P-R
10:30	Last Names Beginning with G-I	3:30	Last Names Beginning with S-U
11:00	Last Names Beginning with J-L	4:00	Last Names Beginning with V-Z

(Students who miss their registration appointments will be charged a late registration fee of \$210.)

Pierce Hall (SB 1st floor)

- 11:00 - 12:00 **Composition Department Meeting**
St. Botolph G01
- 12:00 - 1:30 **Opera Movement Class Placement**
Required for all new students who are participating in the opera program.
St. Botolph G14
- 1:30 - 2:30 **Piano Department Meeting**
Brown Hall
- 6:30 - 9:30 **Movie at AMC Boston Common**
Sign up in advance in the Student Activities Center. Ticket cost is \$7.50. Bring money for the T or shoes for walking.
Sponsored by Student Activities & Residence Life.
Meet in front of 33G
- 9:00 - 1:00 **Graduate Student Club Crawl**
Start your first weekend in Boston with a night out on the town! Pub to Dance Club – do it all! Dress to impress. *Must be 21+*
Sponsored by Student Activities.
Meet in front of 33G.

Saturday, September 4th

- 10:30 - 1:00 **Walking Tour: Quincy Market & Faneuil Hall**
Take the T to Haymarket Stop and explore (1 mile)
Sponsored by Student Activities
Wear walking shoes; bring Charlie Card (T pass) & money for lunch
Meet in front of 33G

Sunday, September 5th

- 1:00 - 3:30 **Walking Tour: Shopping in the Back Bay**
Walk from NEC to the Prudential Center through Copley Square, and along Newbury Street (2.5 miles)
Sponsored by Student Activities
Wear walking shoes; bring money for refreshments
Meet in front of 33G
- 1:00 – 3:30 **Walking Tour: Sunset on the Charles**
Walk from NEC along the Esplanade to Charles Street/Beacon Hill (3 miles)
Sponsored by Student Activities
Wear walking shoes; bring money for refreshments
Meet in front of 33G

7:00 - 8:30 **Walking Tour: Sunset on the Charles**
Walk from NEC along the Esplanade to Charles Street/Beacon Hill (3 miles).
Sponsored by Student Activities
Wear walking shoes; bring money for refreshments.
Meet in front of 33G

Monday, September 6th

9:45 – 11:30 **Duck Tour**
See Boston by land and sea on the popular Duck Tour.
Sign-up in advance in the Student Activities Center. Ticket cost is \$10
There are a limited number of tickets available so be sure to sign-up early.
Meet in front of 33G at 9:45 AM – SHARP!

Tuesday, September 7th

9:00 - 11:00 **Student ID Pictures for All Students**
St. Botolph Security Office

9:00 - 4:00 **Piano Department Placement Auditions**
Required for all incoming piano majors.
See piano board for assigned times.
Jordan Hall Building 321

9:00 - 11:00 **Contemporary Improvisation Ensemble Auditions**
(See CI board for assigned times.)
Keller Room

11:00 - 1:00 **Locker Sign-out for Off-Campus Students Only**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)

12:00 - 4:00 **Jazz Ensemble Auditions**
(See Jazz Board or Orientation Packets for assigned times.)
Keller Room

1:00 - 3:00 **Practice Room/Studio Key Sign-out**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)

2:00 - 3:00 **Contemporary Improvisation Department Meeting**
St. Botolph 315

11:30 - 5:00 **Choral Auditions for Graduate Students**
(See Orientation Folder for information and sign up on the Chorus Board.)
Jordan Hall Building 1M

- 3:30 – 5:30 **The American Classroom** – Seminar required for all International students who have not previously studied at an English speaking college or university. Followed by buffet dinner.
Williams Hall
- 5:00 - 5:30 **Brass Departmental Meeting**
St. Botolph 315
- 6:00 **Chamber Music Reading Party for Strings**
Jordan Hall Building 258
- 7:00 **Chamber Music Meeting (Mandatory for Students Registered for Chamber Music)**
Williams Hall
- 8:00 **Contemporary Improvisation Concert**
See CI board for details
Brown Hall

Wednesday, September 8th

- 9:00 - 11:00 **Student ID Pictures for All Students**
St. Botolph Security Office
- 9:30 - 11:00 **President’s Convocation**
Required for new and returning students, faculty, and staff. President Tony Woodcock and Dean of the College Tom Novak introduce new faculty and staff, welcome returning students and commemorate the opening of the school year.
Jordan Hall
- 11:00 - 12:00 **Reception**
Williams Hall
- 11:00 - 1:00 **Locker Sign-out for Off-Campus Students Only**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)
- 12:00 **CLASSES BEGIN – ADD/DROP BEGINS (<https://my.necmusic.edu>)**
- 1:00 - 3:00 **Practice Room/Studio Key Sign-out**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)

Thursday, September 9th

- 9:00 - 11:00 **Student ID Pictures for All Students**
St. Botolph Security Office
- 9:00 - 12:00 **Jazz Ensemble Auditions for Non Majors and Returning Students**
(Sign up on Jazz Board. Non-majors welcome to audition.)
Keller Room
- 11:00 - 1:00 **Locker Sign-out for Off-Campus Students Only**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)
- 1:00 - 3:00 **Practice Room/Studio Key Sign-out**
Building Operations (295 Huntington Ave, Room 206)
- 6:00 - 8:00 **Pizza Party Hosted by Music in Education Department**
Williams Hall

Friday, September 10th

- 9:00 - 12:00 **Jazz Ensemble Auditions for Non Majors and Returning Students**
(Sign up on Jazz Board. Non-majors welcome to audition.)
Keller Room
- 5:30 - 7:00 **Welcome Back Cook-Out**
Food & entertainment sponsored by Student Activities.
Ice cream sponsored & served up by the Alumni Association.
St. Botolph Gardens (aka Parking Lot)

Saturday, September 11th

- 10:30 – 1:00 **Walking Tour: Freedom Trail & North End (2 miles)**
Sponsored by Student Activities
Wear walking shoes; bring money for the T and refreshments
Meet in front of 33G
- 1:00 – 3:30 **Museum of Fine Arts Tour**
A local gem; always free with NEC ID.
Meet in front of 33G