

New Faculty Orientation



Tuesday, August 18, 2026 | ISEC Auditorium

8:15 – 9:00	Check-in & Breakfast <i>ISEC Ground Floor, Lobby Area</i>
9:00 – 9:45	Welcome from the Provost's Office <i>Northeastern University Mission, Academic Plan, and Organization</i> Tom Sheahan – Interim Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Jackie Isaacs – Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs
9:45 – 10:00	Welcome from the Chancellor's Office Ken Henderson – Chancellor and Senior Vice President for Learning
10:00 – 10:15	Faculty Governance at Northeastern University Dee Spencer – Chair, Faculty Senate and Faculty Senate Agenda Committee; Principal Lecturer, Supply Chain & Information Management, D'Amore-McKim School of Business
10:15 – 10:30	Belonging at Northeastern Richard O'Bryant – Chief Belonging Officer
10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 11:40	NU Library Dan Cohen – Dean of the Library and Vice Provost for Information Collaboration Evan Simpson – Associate Dean for Experiential Learning and Academic Engagement, NU Library
11:40 – 11:55	Greetings from the Office of the Ombuds Diane Levin – University Ombuds
11:55 – 1:15	Lunch <i>ISEC Ground Floor, Lobby Area – Buffet lunch with open seating</i>
1:15 – 2:00	ITS: Software, Services and Activities Related to Research and Teaching Jen Brant-Gargan – Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer Marcus Robinson – Deputy CIO and Associate VP of Engagement & Experience Ryan Bender – Senior Director, Digital Enablement and Global Client Experience Jason Jones – Director, Educational Technology Strategy
2:00 – 2:30	The ADVANCE Office of Faculty Development Sarah Banning – Assistant Director, ADVANCE Office of Faculty Development
2:30 – 3:00	Break
3:00 – 3:15	NU Police Department Lieutenant Allison Piantedosi – Northeastern University Police Department
3:15 – 3:45	Human Resources Luluah Safri – Associate VP of Total Rewards, Compliance & Global Mobility
3:45 – 4:00	Wrap-up and Preview of Next Day

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8:30 – 10:00	Professional Photos, Check-in & Breakfast <i>ISEC Ground Floor</i>
8:50 – 9:20	Campus Tour 1 <i>Departing from ISEC Ground Floor</i>
9:20 – 9:50	Campus Tour 2 <i>Departing from ISEC Ground Floor</i>
10:00 – 10:05	Welcome and Overview of the Day Ahead Jackie Isaacs – Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs
10:05 – 10:30	Division of Student Life / WeCare Chong Kim-Wong – Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students
10:30 – 11:15	Title IX and Equal Opportunity Training Mark Jannoni – Assistant Vice President for University Equity and Compliance and Title IX Coordinator
11:15 – 12:00	Networking Session
12:00 – 1:15	Lunch <i>ISEC Ground Floor, Lobby Area – Buffet and box lunch with open seating</i>
1:15 – 2:00	Resources for Responsible Use of Artificial Intelligence <i>Jay Aslam – Chief of Artificial Intelligence</i>
2:00 – 2:15	Break <i>Transition to new locations</i>
Tenure-stream and Research Faculty **	
<i>138 ISEC Ground Floor Classroom 2:15 – 4:15</i>	
Jackie Isaacs – Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs	
2:15 – 3:15	Overview of Research Support ** <i>Erin Hale – Director, Research Development & Operations</i> <i>Amanda Humphrey – Chief Research Operations Officer, NU-RES Compliance</i> <i>Eva Pasadas – Executive Director, Global Research Operations & Administration</i> <i>Nancy Wetherbee – Director of Commercialization, Center for Research Innovation</i>
3:15 – 4:15	Tenure Preparation and Faculty Panel <i>Jackie Isaacs – Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, & Invited Faculty Panelists</i>
Full-time Non Tenure-Track Faculty and Research Faculty**	
<i>140/142 ISEC Ground Floor Classroom 2:15 – 4:15</i>	
Margarita DiVall – Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Belonging	
2:15 – 3:15	Evidence-based Teaching in Your First Semester & Beyond <i>Klaudja Caushi – NU CATLR Associate Director</i> <i>Gail Matthews-DeNatale – NU CATLR Deputy Director</i>
3:15 – 4:15	Promotion Preparation and Faculty Panel ** <i>Margarita DiVall – Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Belonging, & Invited Faculty Panelists</i>

****Research Faculty to location 138 from 2:15-3:15pm and 140/142 from 3:15-4:15pm**