

Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary of California Lutheran University

Fall 2024 Orientation + Life and Learning Together Week

(includes Orientation Videos, Zoom Sessions, In-Person Gatherings, and Classes)

Preparation

Prior to Life and Learning Together Week:

- email your advisor to introduce yourself and make an appointment to discuss your program, candidacy/licensure, and registration;
- view the orientation videos on the Google Drive (available mid-August); and,
- submit the feedback form with questions to Dr. Veen (lveen@plts.edu) to be addressed on Friday, 30 August 2024 during the orientation sessions on Zoom

Move In is available beginning 19 August 2024. Contact housing@plts.edu to schedule a move in time. Please mark the dates below on your calendar. All times are listed in the Pacific Time Zone (PT).

Thursday, 29 August 2024 – In Person Relationship Building

Optional for all incoming and continuing students and partners/families residing in the Bay Area

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| 2:00 – 3:30 pm | Downtown Berkeley, UC-Berkeley Tour, and GTU: Civic Life, Art, Green Spaces, Food, etc. Meet in the lobby of the Overture. |
| 5:30 – 7:00 pm | Overture Rooftop Social Time (light dinner) with Admissions + Student Services |

Friday, 30 August 2024 – On Zoom Program + Relationship Building

Required for all incoming students via [Zoom](#)

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| 9:00 am | Welcome and Introduction to People you need to know at PLTS of CLU, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Ray Pickett, PLTS Rector• Dr. Alicia Vargas, Academic Dean• Ms. Maria Freeberg + Ms. Allison Tabor, Financial Aid at Cal Lu• Mr. Aaron Greig, Business Office + Academic Services• Dr. Leslie Veen, Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs• Introduction to the Student Association at PLTS |
| 10:30 am | Break |

10:45 am Community Worship – *the whole PLTS community is welcome to join*

11:30 am Virtual Lunch with faculty and staff of PLTS of CLU

1:00 pm Learning Resources

- Pearson Library of the CLU presentation
- Dr. Leslie Veen, Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs

Monday, 2 September 2024 – Campus Relationship Building

Optional for all incoming and continuing students and partners/families

5:00 pm Evening Prayer in Ubuntu

5:30 pm Dinner

6:30 pm Movie Sing-A-Long

Tuesday, 3 September 2024 – Campus Orientation + Classes

Required for all incoming students

8:30 – 10:00 am Welcome to PLTS in Ubuntu
Review of Degree Programs and Concentrations
Registration Walk-through + Troubleshooting

10:00 – 10:30 am Break

10:30 am – Noon Title IX at PLTS
Using Moodle

Afternoon Meeting with Faculty Advisors or Pr. Katy Grindberg (make appointments in advance)

1:30 – 2:30 pm RSFT-8103 Methods + Hermeneutics in La Lucha (*for enrolled DL students*)

3:00 – 3:30 pm CE-8125 Christian Ethics: RLE in La Lucha (*for enrolled DL students*)

5:30 – 7:30 pm Picnic in the Park
(*All Community – partners and families welcome*)

Wednesday, 4 September 2024 – Campus Community Day

Required for all incoming students

8:30 – 9:30 am	Introduction to the Center for Climate Justice and Faith PLTS + the Candidacy Process
9:30 -10:30 am	Spiritual Care Team - Self-Care & Wellness Resources and Spiritual Care Groups
11:00 am - noon	Chapel followed by Community Lunch (<i>All Community – partners and families welcome</i>)
12:30 – 1:00 pm	Introduction to our anti-racism work for the year led by Dr. Ray Pickett
1:00 – 2:00 pm	“How to Make the Most of Your Time in Seminary” with members of the faculty
Afternoon	Meeting with Faculty Advisors or Pr. Katy Grindberg (make appointments in advance)
5:00 – 6:30 pm	Berkeley Walking Tour

Thursday, 5 September 2024 – Campus Orientation + Classes

Required for all incoming students who are enrolled in these courses

Morning	Meeting with Faculty Advisors or Pr. Katy Grindberg (make appointments in advance)
9:30 – 10:30 am	Introduction to Contextual Education with Pr. Katy Grindberg in Ubuntu Invitation to Join in Worship Planning
10:30 – 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am – noon	OT-8175 Introduction to the OT in La Lucha (<i>for all enrolled students</i>)
Noon – 2:30 pm	Meeting with Faculty Advisors or Pr. Katy Grindberg (make appointments in advance)
3:00 – 4:00 pm	GTU Library Use & Search Orientation (meet at 2000 Center at 2:30 pm to walk together)
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Gallery Opening at the GTU Library

Friday, 6 September 2024 – Campus

Classes + Community Building

Required for all incoming students who are enrolled in this course

9:00 am – 1:00 pm SP-8100 Foundations in Christian Spirituality in 208 Liberación (*for those enrolled*)

1:30pm Afternoon Prayer (*All Community – partners and families welcome*)

2 pm Dismissal

Saturday, 7 September 2024 – San Damiano Retreat Center

Open to all students. Required for those who are enrolled in the concentration. Optional for those who are interested in learning more. DL students should book travel and accommodations to allow participation in the full day retreat. Scholarship funds are available to help with the extra night of housing for DL students.

10:00 am – 5:00 pm Climate Justice & Faith Concentration Retreat

Location Key

The Overture Apartments: 1812 University Avenue, Berkeley

PLTS Campus: 2000 Center Street, Suite 200, Berkeley

GTU Library: 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley

San Damiano Retreat Center: 710 Highland Drive, Danville

* This schedule is tentative and is subject to change.