

VIP WELCOME

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2026

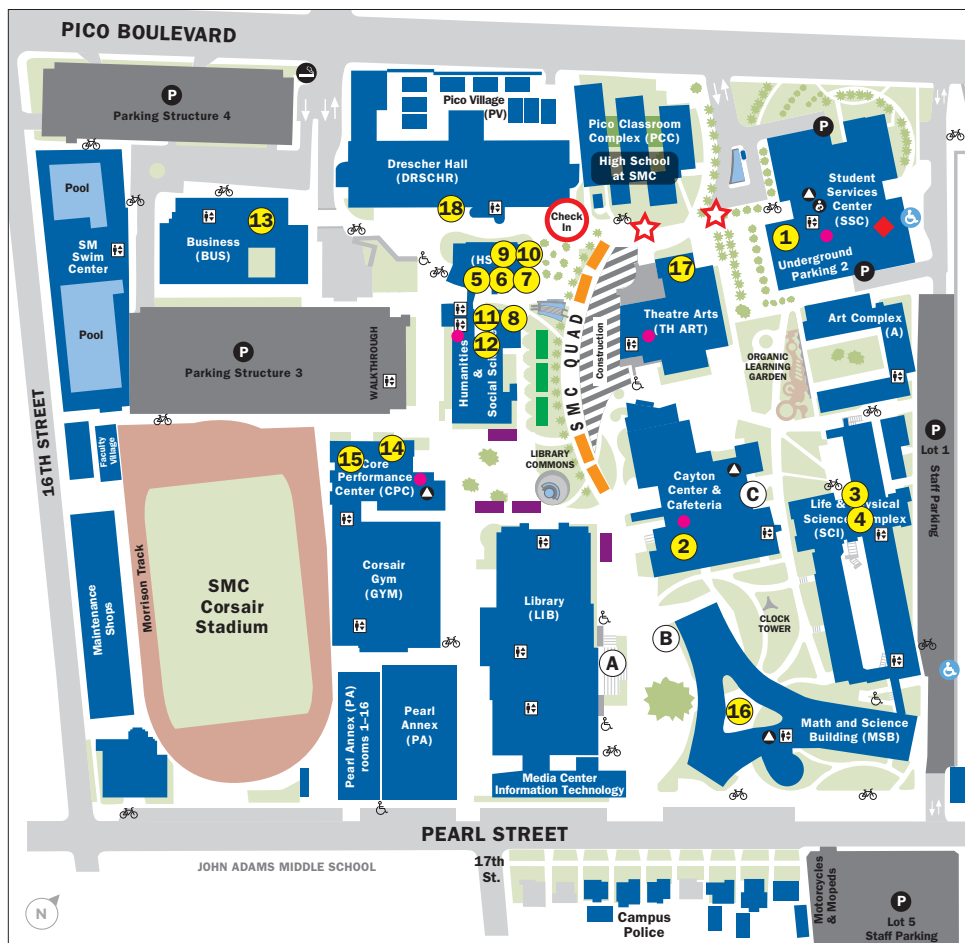
Welcome to SMC!

Schedule of Events

8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Resource Fair	Quad
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Enrollment Lab	Student Services Center
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Areas of Interest (AOI) Fair Come explore and connect with our academic departments and faculty.	Quad
9 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Welcome/Overview of the Day	Quad
10 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Session 1: Workshops	Various Locations
11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Session 2: Workshops	Various Locations
12 p.m. – 2 p.m.	Lunch and Entertainment Join us for lunch from In-N-Out Burger or Vurger Guyz (vegetarian/vegan option) <i>*while supplies last!</i>	Quad
  		
12 p.m., 12:30 p.m., 1 p.m., and 1:30 p.m.	Campus Tours Guided by SMC Student Ambassadors.	Library Front Steps
1 p.m. – 2 p.m.	Academic Showcases	Various Locations



Santa Monica College Main Campus



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| Check In | Campus Tours (Library) | Orientation Hall |
| Information | Free Tote & T-Shirt Zone | Student Equity Center |
| Resource Fair | Bodega & Basic Needs Info | SCI 140 |
| Areas of Interest Fair | Restroom (Student Services Center, Theatre Arts, HSS, CPC, Cayton Center second floor) | SCI 145 |
| Enrollment Lab (Success and Engagement Center) | | HSS 103 |
| Food Trucks | | HSS 104 |
| | | HSS 105 |
| | | HSS 165 |
| | | HSS 204 |
| | | HSS 205 |
| | | HSS 263 |
| | | HSS 363 |
| | | BUS 111 |
| | | CPC 104 |
| | | CPC 314 |
| | | MSB breezeway |
| Bicycle Parking | Paratransit Stop | Main Stage |
| Elevators | Smoking Permitted Area | Photo Lab |
| All-gender Bathroom: On the 3rd floor of SSC, ground floor of CPC, and in the Health Services Center | Parking | |
| Accessible Entrances: Entrances in buildings not marked are accessible. Accessible parking available in every lot. | | |

Workshops for Students

Session 1: 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Workshop	Location
Non-Resident Student Orientation	BUS 111 13
Transfer 101: Navigating the Path to University	SSC, Orientation Hall 1
Student Success: Campus Life and Getting Involved	CPC 104 14
SMC Promise Program: Free Money for Students	HSS 165 8
Undecided & On Track: Your College-to-Career Roadmap	HSS 103 5
How to Get an A in College	SCI 140 3
Financial Aid: Show Me the Money	SCI 145 4
First-to-Go! Thriving at SMC as a First-Generation College Student	Student Equity Center 2 (Cayton Center Basement)
DSPS and Your Success	HSS 105 7
Find Your Support at SMC: Discover the EOPS Suite of Programs	HSS 204 9

Session 2: 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.

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Be You at SMC: Affirmed Names, Pronouns & the Pride Center	Student Equity Center 2 (Cayton Center Basement)
Find Your Support at SMC: Discover the EOPS Suite of Programs	HSS 204 9

Academic Showcases: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Event	Location
Philosophy and Social Sciences Department	HSS 263 11
Dance Department	CPC 314 15
Photography Department	Outside of DRSCHR 110 E 18
Theater Arts Department	Theater Arts Main Stage 17
Math Department	MSB breezeway 16
Psychology Department	HSS 363 12
CSU Transfer Success Pathway (TSP): Your Guaranteed Path to a Cal State	BUS 111 13

For workshop details: smc.edu/vip

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CHECKLIST

Please check off each item that has been completed.

GET READY FOR FALL (Recommended but not required)

- ☐ **Check Your Financial Aid Status**
smc.edu/financialaid
- ☐ **Get Your Textbooks with Slingshot**
smc.edu/store
- ☐ **Get Your Parking Pass**
smc.edu/parking
- ☐ **Order Your Student ID Card Online**
smc.edu/cashier
- ☐ **Sign-up for Bankmobile**
smc.edu/bankmobile

GET CONNECTED

- ☐ **Meet with a Counselor**
smc.edu/counseling
- ☐ **Join a Special Program**
smc.edu/studentprograms
- ☐ **Explore Areas of Interest**
smc.edu/aoi
- ☐ **Main Campus Tour**
smc.edu/tour
- ☐ **Meet other students, grab handouts, eat lunch, and have fun!**

Have questions? Contact the Welcome Center
at welcomecenter@smc.edu, call 310-434-8101, or go to smc.edu/faq

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