New Student Orientation Program
Welcome to Vanderbilt!

I am glad to welcome you to Vanderbilt’s diverse community of scholars, visionaries, and educators. I hope that your experience will prove challenging and rewarding as you find your place among your classmates and future colleagues to collaboratively enrich the intellectual vitality on campus. We also look forward to your exceptionally promising contributions to your respective fields.

This handbook contains supplemental information to help orient you to Vanderbilt, its opportunities, and its programs. More detailed information will be provided by your department regarding specific resources and requirements for your degree program. Vanderbilt’s campus provides a wide array of resources and opportunities, and I invite you to seek those that meet your own unique needs.

Warm regards,

Mark T. Wallace, PhD
Dean of Vanderbilt Graduate School
Louise B. McGavock Endowed Chair
Professor of Hearing & Speech Sciences, Psychology, and Psychiatry

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Upcoming Events of Interest

**Graduate Student Council (GSC) Welcome Back Social**
Friday, August 25, 8:00 PM to midnight
208 24th Ave House

**Reception for New Graduate School Students**
Thursday, September 7, 4:00 to 6:00 PM
Alumni Hall Lounge (Room 100)

**1st Fall GSC General Body Meeting**
Thursday, September 7, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
201 Alumni Hall

**The Dean’s Readings**
Tuesday, October 24, 4:00 to 6:00 PM
Alumni Hall Lounge (Room 100)
Join Dean Wallace for the first installation of the Dean’s Readings. This year’s book is *Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race* by Margot Lee Shetterly. New graduate students may pick up their copy at Alumni Hall on Orientation Day, during the lunch and eclipse viewing event.
# Orientation Schedule, Monday, August 21, 2017

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<td>9:45 AM</td>
<td>Check-in; Get wrist band (needed for lunch, eclipse glasses, book)</td>
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<td>Welcome &amp; Remarks</td>
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<td>• Vivian Finch, Assistant Director, Center for Teaching</td>
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<td>Walk to Alumni Hall, Graduate School Offices</td>
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## Lunch & Eclipse Viewing at Alumni Hall

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<td>12:15 PM</td>
<td>Areas available for eating lunch: 201, 202, 206, Terrace</td>
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<td>11:15 AM</td>
<td>Safety First! Get Eclipse Viewing Glasses, 1st floor (Bamboo Bistro area)</td>
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<td>11:58 AM</td>
<td>Solar Eclipse viewing (totality from 1:27 to 1:29 PM)</td>
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<td>2:54 PM</td>
<td>Alumni Hall Terrace/Alumni Lawn</td>
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<td>11:30 AM</td>
<td>Pick up Dean’s Reading book: Hidden Figures, Alumni Lounge (Room 100)</td>
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Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, and Disability Services

The Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, and Disability Services Department (EAD) coordinates services for people with disabilities; monitors accessibility of VU’s programs, activities, and buildings; investigates allegations of unlawful discrimination of race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, military status, genetic information, sexual orientation, and gender identity; coordinates and monitors VU’s compliance of equal opportunity laws and affirmative action guidelines; and provides training programs regarding state and federal equal opportunity laws.

For more information about the EAD, please visit vanderbilt.edu/ead

Contact information

✉️ disabilityservices @vanderbilt.edu

Location on campus

Baker Building, Suites 108 and 975
Parking Services provides and maintains parking lot and garages to facilitate the daily activities of the campus. The office provide permit registration, special event coordination, manages the Vandy Van safety program, and provides access to alternative transportation programs like: Zipcar, Enterprise CarShare, MTA ride to work, discounted bus and train tickets and carpooling link.

For more information about Parking Services, please visit vanderbilt.edu/parking

**Contact information**

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**Location on campus**

2800 Vanderbilt Place, Nashville, TN 37212
The Vanderbilt University Police Department comes under the charge of the Office of the Vice Chancellor for the Division of Administration. As one of Tennessee's larger law enforcement agencies, the Police Department provides comprehensive law enforcement and security services to all components of Vanderbilt University including the Vanderbilt University Campus, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Vanderbilt Health at One Hundred Oaks, and a variety of University-owned facilities throughout the Davidson County area.

For more information about the Vanderbilt University Police Department, please visit police.vanderbilt.edu

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**Location on campus**

111 28th Ave S, Nashville, TN 37212
As part of the Office of the Dean of Students, the Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center (BCC) provides educational and cultural programming designed to highlight the history and cultural experiences of African Americans. Initially referred to as “the Afro House,” in 1984, the Center was named in honor of the first African American student admitted to Vanderbilt University in 1953, Bishop Joseph Johnson (B.D. ‘54, Ph.D. ‘58). What happens at the BCC is a celebration of diversity—African and African American life, culture and contributions, by Vanderbilt students, faculty, staff, and the community.

For more information about the BCC, please visit vanderbilt.edu/bcc

Contact information

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Location on campus

The BCC is located right next to Rand Hall across from the post-office and is adjacent to Buttrick Hall.
Center for Science Outreach

A national leader in outreach efforts, the Vanderbilt Center for Science Outreach (CSO) is committed to elevating pre-collegiate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) expertise and literacy. Opportunities for graduate student volunteers are available in the Scientist-in-the-Classroom Partnership Program (SCP), the School for Science and Math at Vanderbilt (SSMV), and the CSO’s other programs. The SCP pairs graduate students with Metro Nashville Public School science teachers one day a week to co-teach hands-on science. In the SSMV program, high school students spend one day on Vanderbilt campus each week for four years, and benefit from grad students’ contributions both to in-classroom programs and as mentors in labs, where SSMV students do research.

For more information about the Center for Science Outreach, please visit vanderbilt.edu/cso

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- www.facebook.com/ScienceOutreach/

Location on campus

064 Wyatt Center on the Peabody Campus.

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The Center for Science Outreach is dedicated to enhancing scientific and technological literacy through the establishment of unique partnerships between University scientists, K-12 educators and students, and the local and global science community.
The Center for Student Wellbeing at Vanderbilt University serves to create a culture that supports the personal development and academic success of students using an integrative, holistic framework. Through inclusive and collaborative programming, support services, and campus initiatives, the Center cultivates engagement in lifelong wellbeing practices that enhance students’ ability to thrive within the Vanderbilt community and beyond.

The Center for Student Wellbeing is a new space dedicated to helping students cultivate lifelong wellbeing practices. The staff, which includes Student Wellbeing Coordinators and an Academic Skills Coach, is available for individual coaching appointments to help students develop and maintain skills that will contribute to personal and academic success. Students are invited to utilize the meditation room for yoga, meditation, and mindfulness classes, or for self-guided practice. Workshops are available on a variety of topics as well, including resiliency, time management, and healthy living. Vanderbilt Recovery support is a program of the CSW, providing support services to students recovering from substance use issues.

For more information about the Center for Student Wellbeing, please visit vanderbilt.edu/healthYdores

Contact information

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- @vandywellbeing
- www.facebook.com/vandy.wellbeing

Location on campus

1211 Stevenson Lane, across from the Student Health Center.
The Center for Teaching (CFT) offerings are available to all graduate students, including those teaching at Vanderbilt as teaching assistants (TAs) and instructors of record, as well as those who anticipate that teaching will be a part of their future careers. Programs for graduate students include the Teaching Assistant Orientation, the Certificate in College Teaching, the Blended and Online Learning Design (BOLD) Fellows program, and the Certificate in Humanities Teaching and Learning. The CFT also offers professional development workshops on a variety of topics and a range of confidential consultation services for instructors interested in reflecting on their teaching experiences.

For more information about the Center for Teaching, please visit cft.vanderbilt.edu

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Location on campus

1114 19th Avenue South

Graduate School Orientation 2017
Our role is to help you achieve the most from your Vanderbilt experience by providing quality, individualized English-language instruction.

The Vanderbilt University English Language Center (ELC) provides English-language support for individuals who have a first language other than English and who are enrolled or working at Vanderbilt University.

For more information about the English Language Center, please visit vanderbilt.edu/elc

Contact information

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🐦 @VUELC

Location on campus

1208 18th Ave South (near the corner of 18th & Edgehill)
Graduate School Career Development

Providing resources and events covering careers in academia, business, policy, government, and more. Check out our website for examples of CVs and resumes, and watch for our career emails that highlight career and professional development events throughout the school year.

For individual career advice, schedule an appointment with Assistant Dean Ruth Schemmer by calling 615-343-0844, or visit during walk-in hours, Monday, 4-6pm in Alumni Hall 010.

For more information about the Graduate School Career Development office, please visit my.vanderbilt.edu/gradcareer

Contact information

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Location on campus

Alumni Hall 010
International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) provides advice, counseling, and advocacy regarding immigration, cross-cultural, and personal matters. ISSS supports an environment conducive to international education and intercultural awareness via educational, social, and cross-cultural programs. ISSS centers its educational, social and immigration-related co-curricular programs around its four pillars: Immigration Support & Compliance; Student, Scholar & Family Engagement; Support Services; and Advocacy.

ISSS advising staff are available via email, telephone, in-person walk-in or advanced appointments, Monday through Friday.

For more information about ISSS, please visit vanderbilt.edu/isss

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/facebook www.facebook.com/International-Student-Scholar-Services-ISSS-Vanderbilt-University-7576795492/

Location on campus

Student Life Center, Suite 109
Fresh water and hot tea are available (for free) in the lobby, Monday through Friday during office hours!
The Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center is an affirming space for women and for all members of the Vanderbilt community that actively resists sexism and all forms of oppression by providing resources and educational programming.

The Women's Center works toward gender equity through its varied programming. The Women in the Academy series offers Ph.D. students a chance to reflect on the ways that gender affects their experience in their professional academic lives. The Work-Life workshops cover a blend of self-care and professional development topics such as navigating organizational politics, stress management, and mindfulness. Start Smart Salary Negotiation workshops teach students how to negotiate a salary and benefits package. Each spring as part of the celebration of Women's History Month, the Women’s Center hosts a national speaker for the Cuninggim Lecture on Women in Culture and Society.

For more information about the Women’s Center, please visit vanderbilt.edu/WomensCenter

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**Location on campus**

316 West Side Row, Franklin House
The Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex Life is a cultural center and a place of affirmation for individuals of all identities, and a resource for information and support about gender and sexuality.

The Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex (LGBTQI) Life serves all members of the Vanderbilt community—students, faculty, staff, and alumni—by creating educational, cultural, and social opportunities. The office also supports and advises LGBTQI-related campus groups and activities, including all of the school affiliated graduate student groups.

From affinity group leadership to event participation, there are endless ways for graduate students to be involved in LGBTQI Life at Vanderbilt. The best way to find out about all of our events and programming is to sign up for our newsletter (link on the main page of our website) or to check us out on social media. You can also come by the K.C. Potter Center on September 5th, 5pm-7pm for our Graduate Student Social. We hope to see you there!

For more information about the LGBTQI Life, please visit vanderbilt.edu/lgbtqi

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Location on campus

K.C. Potter Center, 312 West Side Row
The OUCRL is under the Office of the Dean of Students cluster of offices dedicated to Social Justice and Identity (SJI). We serve our campus community as advocates for justice, equity and inclusivity in both programmatic and pastoral ways.

Our four legacy programs that engage students regardless of any stated religious or spiritual preference are: The Holocaust Lecture Series; The Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Commemoration; Project Dialogue; The Chaplain’s Speakers Series. We also serve as the host site for Vanderbilt Interfaith Council, a student organization that offers programs every other Thursday at 5:30 as well as special events throughout the year. We also recruit students in the fall to accompany us on our annual Interfaith Spring Break in Washington, D.C.

The pastoral needs of our campus (counseling, leadership development and vocational discernment) are met through OUCRL staff and a range of affiliated chaplains located on our homepage.

For more information about the Office of the University Chaplain & Religious Life, visit vanderbilt.edu/religiouslife

Contact information

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www.facebook.com/oucrl/

Location on campus

401 24th Avenue South
The mission of The Vanderbilt Recreation and Wellness Center (VRWC) is to encourage lifelong learning, develop healthy lifestyles, foster leadership, instill an appreciation for diverse communities and enhance interpersonal relationships. This is accomplished by providing quality facilities, and by using intentional, educational, and enjoyable programming that focuses on Vanderbilt Students, Faculty/Staff and the greater community.

The Outdoor Recreation Program provides Vanderbilt Students, Graduate and Professional Students, Faculty, Staff, Medical Staff, VRWC Members and Alumni the opportunity to explore the outdoor world. This is accomplished through Adventure Trips, Outdoor Equipment Rentals, a Climbing/Bouldering Wall, Kayak Roll Workshops, and a Resource Center. The Climbing Wall and Kayak Workshops are located in the VRWC and the rest originates from the Outdoor Recreation Center, located at 2600 Children's Way. Our web is the place to go for current program info and specific info on gear rental.

For more information about the Outdoor Recreation Program, please visit vanderbilt.edu/outrec

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Location on campus

2600 Children’s Way
The Project Safe Center provides Green Dot bystander intervention training, warning signs education and risk reduction strategies, safety planning, effective consent workshops, and programs for friends and organizations who wish to better support survivors. Project Safe Center’s victim resource specialists are available to accompany and assist those impacted by violence as they seek medical treatment, consult with law enforcement, participate in University and/or criminal investigations and proceedings, and/or explore academic accommodations or other interim measures, as appropriate. Project Safe offers a 24-hour crisis hotline: 615-322-SAFE (7233).

For more information about the Project Safe Center, please visit vanderbilt.edu/projectsafe

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Location on campus

304 West Side Row, Cumberland House
The Psychological & Counseling Center supports the mental health needs of all Vanderbilt students to help them reach their educational goals. Our highly skilled and multidisciplinary staff collaborates with students, our campus partners, and community providers to provide evidence-based treatment plans tailored to each individual’s unique background and needs.

Academic success is integrally related to emotional well-being. Higher education occurs at Vanderbilt within a complex and vibrant educational and residential community designed to encourage emotional and academic growth and success. Our professional staff is dedicated to promoting the mental health of all Vanderbilt University students. Our goal is to provide services in a caring, compassionate, and culturally competent environment. Service options are integrated based upon unique clinical needs of the students. The following services are offered to students:

- Individual Therapy
- Psychological Consultation (tailored to graduate students)
- Psychiatric Medication Management
- Group Therapy and Workshops
- Alcohol and other Drug Services
- LD/ADHD Assessment
- Biofeedback
- Crisis Care

For more information about the Psychological & Counseling Center, please visit vumc.org/pcc

Location on campus

2015 Terrace Place, Nashville, TN 37203
The Warren Center is an interdisciplinary research center in the humanities and humanistic social sciences for faculty members and graduate students, and is designed to intensify and increase interdisciplinary discussion of academic, social, and cultural issues.

The Warren Center, housed in a beautifully restored building in the central part of campus, is a hub of intellectual activity. Its annual programming includes a theme-based faculty fellows program; a dissertation completion fellows program for advanced graduate students; the Harry C. Howard, Jr. Lecture; several conferences and public programs; dozens of visiting speakers; and twelve to fifteen regularly-meeting seminars and reading groups representing an extraordinary range of topics. The Warren Center’s great success is a reflection of the high caliber of humanistic inquiry underway at Vanderbilt University. The rich and varied programs supported by the Warren Center provide tremendous opportunities for our faculty members and graduate students to engage with each other across the disciplines, thus promoting excellence and creativity in humanistic scholarship on our campus and beyond.

For more information about the Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities, please visit vanderbilt.edu/rpw_center

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Location on campus

Vaughn Home on the Vanderbilt University Campus.
The Student Health Center's mission is to enhance the academic experience of students by providing quality primary healthcare services in a nurturing and cost-effective manner.

The Zerfoss Student Health Center is here to serve the primary care needs of the Vanderbilt student community. All of our physicians and nurse practitioners have chosen college health as their area of expertise and interest, and are dedicated to meeting the unique health care needs of the student population. Whether you are sick or injured, managing a chronic health problem, or working to develop a healthier lifestyle, the VU SHC is here to help. There are no office co-pays for routine visits, and all registered students are eligible for care, regardless of insurance coverage.

For more information about the Student Health Center, please visit medschool.vanderbilt.edu/student-health

Contact information

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Location on campus

We are located at 1210 Stevenson Center Lane, Nashville TN 37232-8710. The Student Health Center (SHC) is housed on the third (street level) floor and fourth floor of the Zerfoss Building, and is connected to the back of Medical Center North. We are adjacent to Stevenson Center and across the street from McTyeire Hall.
Vanderbilt Libraries stand at the crossroads of intellectual discovery and scholarship on our campus. Through scholarly resources, expert services, and inspirational spaces spread across nine campus libraries, we play a central role in the educational mission of the university. We are leaders and partners in teaching, learning, and research at Vanderbilt.

Vanderbilt University’s libraries are among the top research libraries in the nation, home to more than nine million items. The libraries provide electronic access to tens of thousands of full-text journals, more than 1.5 million e-books, data and information resources accessible via the campus network. The website provides a portal to premium and valuable content, information about library services, workshops, programs, exhibits, research guides and librarian subject specialists. Campus libraries are home to professional librarians with subject expertise, who provide help in their discipline. Students can connect with a librarian in person, or ask questions through the library website.

For more information about Vanderbilt Libraries, please visit library.vanderbilt.edu. If you have a question, ask a librarian by visiting library.vanderbilt.edu/ask-librarian.php

Contact information

@VandyLibraries

www.facebook.com/vulibrary/

Location on campus

There are nine campus libraries spread across Vanderbilt. To find yours, visit library.vanderbilt.edu/about/contact.php
The Writing Studio

The Writing Studio offers free and confidential writing consultations to undergraduate students, graduate students, and faculty at Vanderbilt University. The Studio also offers support for instructors of writing-intensive courses in the College of Arts and Science.

For more information about the Writing Studio, please visit vanderbilt.edu/writing

Contact information

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- www.facebook.com/Vanderbilt-University-Writing-Studio-43579777512/

Location on campus

You can find us in two places on campus. Our main office is on 1801 Edgehill Ave, Suite 122 and we also have an office at the Commons Center 217 on Peabody College’s campus.
The Goals of this Committee include (but are not limited to):

(1) Communicate information about diversity initiatives to graduate students; (2) collect information on graduate student experiences and perspectives related to issues of diversity and inclusion; (3) create alliances and collaborations with campus initiatives; (4) and, finally, represent student needs and concerns to the administration, faculty, and staff.

Some of the events we plan to sponsor include:

- Conversations about diminishing our reliance on the GRE as a reliable measure of ability due to high levels of racial and gender disparity in test scores

- Mini-symposia and workshops on diversity in Academia; Book Club Series on essential readings in Race, Gender, Power Structures, Academia, etc.

For more information about the Graduate Diversity and Inclusion Committee, please visit my.vanderbilt.edu/gdicommittee

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All Vanderbilt students and classes operate under the Honor Code. The Honor Council “seeks to protect the honor of all graduate students by vindicating those falsely suspected of dishonesty and penalizing those guilty of dishonest acts” by: (1) enforcing the Honor Code and informing students about the Honor System, (2) conducting investigations into any reported violations of the Honor Code, and (3) holding confidential hearings to determine innocence or penalties. Common examples of Honor Code violations include: inappropriate levels of collaboration on assignments, unauthorized usage of materials/sources, misunderstanding of course expectations, un-cited work (plagiarism), and turning in work prepared in a prior course/venture for a current one without express authorization.

Interested in getting involved with the Honor Council?

We are student-run and student-driven. Student volunteers help on a per case basis and may assist in gathering evidence and statements (~10 hours per case) or participate on panels to determine guilt and penalties (~2 hours per case).

For more information about the Graduate Honor Council, please visit studentorg.vanderbilt.edu/gsc/honor-council

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The Graduate Student Council is a representative body consisting of one representative from each graduate department of the University.

GSC has two primary goals: (1) We coordinate academic, social, and other activities significant to the graduate community. We strive to promote community amongst graduate students, as well as graduate student integration into the university community. All graduate students are welcome to attend and participate in GSC meetings, parties, and academic events. (2) We work to ascertain and represent graduate student opinions and concerns, facilitating communication between graduate students, administration, and faculty.

For more information about the Graduate Student Council, please visit studentorg.vanderbilt.edu/gsc

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The Organization of Black Graduate & Professional Students (OBGAPS) aims to facilitate a positive experience for students across the spectrum of the graduate and professional community by providing academic and professional support, as well as opportunities for social networking, community service and cultural exchanges. We also look to promote the interests of our members by working to bring the problems, concerns, and needs of the Black graduate and professional community to the attention of the university. Students of all cultures and disciplines are welcome to attend our monthly general body meetings as well as our social and community service events, retreats, and professional development workshops.

For more information about OBGAPS, please visit anchorlink.vanderbilt.edu/organization/obgaps

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The Vanderbilt University Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) Chapter aims to provide the resources and support system for students to advance in their career through professional development, insightful seminars through our Science Café, and hands-on science outreach activities. The mission of the VU SACNAS Chapter is to increase the number and success of minority and historically underrepresented students in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) higher education disciplines.

For more information about SACNAS, please visit anchorlink.vanderbilt.edu/organization/sacnas

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Turner Family Center for Social Ventures

The Turner Family Center for Social Ventures engages with graduate and professional students across the different graduate schools to provide an interdisciplinary opportunity to learn about poverty alleviation through business. The center hosts workshops, monthly events, social venture treks, case competitions, an Annual Social Venture Summit (November), Summer Fellowships, local Social Enterprise Consulting, and the spring-semester Project Pyramid course to provide graduate students hands-on experiences to develop as social impact leaders.

For more information about the Turner Family Center for Social Ventures, please visit turnerfamilycenter.com

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Location on campus

Owen Graduate School of Management
Our mission is to foster interdisciplinary awareness and understanding of global health within the Vanderbilt community by serving as a medium of communication between the Vanderbilt student body and Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health; promoting service, research, and educational opportunities; and actively facilitating collaboration and action.

The purpose of the Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health (VIGH) Student Advisory Council is to bring together diverse students interested in global health with the goal of fostering cross-disciplinary student networking and collaboration. The Student Advisory Council maintains an extensive collection of student resources, including an opportunities database, global health courses, career guidance, and a weekly global health events newsletter, in addition to facilitating collaboration among the many global health organizations across campus. We also host an annual Global Health Case Competition bringing together more than 100 students from all Vanderbilt schools to solve a global health problem. The winner of this competition goes on to represent Vanderbilt at a national competition in Atlanta. If you are interested in helping to plan these events, you can find an application for the Council on our website.

For more information about the VIGH Student Advisory Council, please visit vanderbilt.edu/vigh-sac

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- www.facebook.com/vuglobalhealth and www.facebook.com/groups/VIGHGHA/

Location on campus

2525 West End Avenue, Suite 750
Vanderbilt Student Volunteers for Science (VSVS) is a service organization in which 4-5 Vanderbilt students teach science lessons to middle school children in the metro Nashville area. We teach four, 1-hour lessons per semester. A volunteer can sign up individually or with others for any time slot between 8am and 3pm on the weekdays. For those that may be looking for more flexible hours, we also have day-long special events (usually on the weekend) for as many hours as you want to commit. VSVS is for anyone who may be interested and does not require previous experience with STEM. VSVS helps bolster confidence with public speaking, and teaching, which can help with fellowship applications, at your pace.

If you want to join, design your own program, or get more information, please contact Jessica Paredes, the 2017-18 liaison at Jessica.paredes@vanderbilt.edu.

For more information about VSVS, please visit studentorg.vanderbilt.edu/vsvs

Contact information

www.facebook.com/vanderbiltsvs/

Location on campus

Stevenson Center 5233
VU Advanced Degree Consulting Club

The Vanderbilt University Advanced Degree Consulting Club (VUADCC) has three primary goals:

1. Educate advanced degree candidates about careers in consulting through workshops and pro-bono consulting opportunities

2. Prepare advanced degree candidates for the unique and rigorous consulting interview process through fit and case interview practice

3. Connect club members with recruiters and consultants from local and global consulting firms.

For more information about VUADCC, please visit studentorg.vanderbilt.edu/vuadcc

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VU-WiSE is a community and support network for women in all STEM related fields at Vanderbilt University.

Vanderbilt University Women in Science and Engineering (VU-WiSE) aims to develop a community of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) at Vanderbilt University and their supporters. We work to support the personal and professional development of these women at all levels of their careers (student through faculty), through networking, mentorship, seminars, outreach, and other events focused on professional development. Membership is open to the entire Vanderbilt student body, staff, and faculty.

For more information about VU-WiSE, please visit medschool.vanderbilt.edu/vuwise

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Important Resources & Contacts

- **Graduate School**
  117 Alumni Hall
  gradschool.vanderbilt.edu
  615-343-2727

- **Graduate School Career Development**
  010 Alumni Hall
  my.vanderbilt.edu/gradcareer

- **Office of the University Registrar**
  registrar.vanderbilt.edu
  615-322-7701

- **Student Health Center**
  Appointments: 615-322-2427
  Insurance Representative: 615-343-4688

- **Psychological & Counseling Center**
  medschool.vanderbilt.edu/pcc

- **Vanderbilt University Police Department**
  Emergency: 911
  Non-emergency: 615-322-2745

- **Parking Services**
  2800 Vanderbilt Place
  615-322-2554

- **Card Services**
  184 Sarratt Student Center
  615-322-2273

- **Vanderbilt University Information Technology**
  it.vanderbilt.edu/new-to-vu

- **List of Department Contacts**
  gradschool.vanderbilt.edu/academics/department_contacts.php

Campus Map: Student Life Center to Alumni Hall
2017-18 Academic Calendar

August
23  Fall 2017 classes begin

September
6   Fall registration on YES ends at 11:59pm. Last day to add a class, drop a class with no entry on record, or register for pass/fail status
7   Deadline for international students to waive health insurance

October
9   Spring 2018 schedule available and registration windows posted in YES
12-13 No Classes (Undergraduate Fall Break)

November
1   Spring 2018 registration begins
18-26 No Classes (Undergraduate Thanksgiving Holiday)

December
7   Fall 2017 classes end

January
8   First day of Spring 2018 classes
15  No classes in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
22  Last day to add a class, drop a class with no entry on record, or register for pass/fail status

March
3-11 No Classes (Undergraduate Spring Break)

April
23  Spring classes end

May
11  Commencement