Orientation at USF
International Student Agreement

By registering for Orientation on USF’s Tampa Campus, you indicate that you have read and agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. Orientation is mandatory for all new students, as required by the University of South Florida System. In order to register for classes and subsequently attend classes at the University of South Florida students are required to be participate and be present for the entire duration of their Orientation session – defined as the time between check-in and check-out. Parents, family members, or friends may not attend in place of a student.

2. All physical activities offered as part of the Orientation program are on a voluntary participation basis and carry various degrees of risk and injury. Participants assume sole responsibility for any and all such risk or injury that may result due to voluntary participation. It is each individual’s responsibility to be knowledgeable of his/her own physical condition when participating in any activity. Students seeking accommodation requests should call the Office of Orientation before attending their Orientation session.

3. The University of South Florida assumes no responsibility and shall not be liable for any loss of or damage to your personal property while you are attending Orientation, including items kept in the Embassy Suites Hotel.

4. All USF students beginning classes in the fall term will be required to stay overnight in the Embassy Suites Hotel or in their assigned residence hall room as part of the Orientation experience. Students not living on campus in summer or fall terms are not exempt from the Orientation overnight requirement. There is no overnight stay requirement for students admitted for the spring term.

5. Students must abide and comply with all Orientation policies, by the USF Student Code of Conduct, residence hall policies, state and federal laws as applicable, and conduct themselves in a professional manner. Violations may result in the student being removed from the session and/or referral to USF Student Rights and Responsibilities office for disciplinary action. At the discretion of the Office of Orientation (or designee), the student may be eligible to attend another Orientation session in order to meet the requirement and be eligible to register for classes.

6. Student fees are generally non-refundable; however, refunds are considered in limited circumstances. Refund information is available at this link. Refunds require approval from the Director of Orientation.

7. The family program is an optional, added experience for family members only available through the First-Year Traditional program. The fee for family members to attend is separate and additional from the student fee. This fee is also non-refundable; however, refunds are considered in limited circumstances. Overnight accommodations are not provided for family members. Family members must be registered with a completed payment in order to participate in Orientation programming or have access to any rooms/locations/facilities being used for Orientation, including meals served as part of the Orientation session.

8. Reservations are confirmed only once payment in full is received. A confirmation email will be sent at this time. Travel arrangements should not be made until the reservation is confirmed.

9. A $25 fee is placed on the reservation of students who change their date within 3 business days of their scheduled session or miss their scheduled session and reschedule to a later date as certain costs are incurred by Orientation regardless of the student’s attendance.
10. Orientation provides courtesy golf cart transportation during the Orientation session to individuals requiring special accommodations. This service is offered as a courtesy and not required. Golf cart transportation is governed by the policies available at this link.

11. USF’s Tampa campus is a tobacco and smoke-free campus. Smoking and use of tobacco products are not allowed in any indoor or outdoor area, including parking garages, grounds, sidewalks or recreational areas. This includes the use of e-cigarettes. More information on this policy is available at this link.

12. I do hereby grant to Photographer, USF Office of Orientation, and to his/her employees or assigns, permission to photograph and/or capture video of me during Orientation and use such images in any manner consistent with the promotion of the University of South Florida and its affiliated agencies. Such use may include, but is not limited to publication, display, advertising, editorial illustration, web use, broadcast, etc. I hereby swear that I am of sound mind and body and agree to all terms stated above.

13. Orientation reserves the right to update this agreement at any time. Updates will be posted on the policy page linked here.

Policies Regarding International Students Attending Glo-Bull Beginnings (Fall Admits Only)

1. All students attending Glo-Bull Beginnings will be required to stay overnight in the Embassy Suites Tampa/USF or in their assigned residence hall room as part of the Orientation experience. No students are exempt from this requirement.

2. The following items are prohibited in both the Embassy Suites and USF residence hall rooms:
   a. Weapons
   b. Illegal Drugs
   c. Alcohol
   d. Open Flames

3. Visitors (family and friends not participating in Glo-Bull Beginnings) are not permitted in student’s hotel rooms, except for assistance in moving in or out.

4. In order to be respectful of others, you are asked to keep noise and distractions to a minimum at all times.

5. Students will be issued a key card upon check-in. Students are responsible for this key until you check-out. Any fees associated with replacing the key card are students’ responsibility.

6. Students are responsible for any damages that occur to the assigned room – whether accidental or malicious.

7. Students are responsible for any charges to the assigned room above the base cost of the room. This includes, but is not limited to, premium movie rentals and international calls.