New Faculty Orientation (NFO)
September 12-14, 2023

Pre-NFO - Tuesday, September 12, 2023

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  Campus Tour

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.  Stanford Libraries New Faculty Lunch
Green Library (East)
Stanford Libraries provides research and teaching support for faculty through a wide array of resources including specialized staff, flexible instruction spaces, and infrastructure for supporting research. The New Faculty Lunch will provide you with the opportunity to learn more about our people and services as you start your Stanford career. Come meet your subject specialist in Hohbach Hall followed by lunch.

Day 1 - Wednesday, September 13
Orientation 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Reception 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Blount Hall, David and Joan Traitel Building

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.  Welcome and Office of Faculty Development, Diversity and Engagement (OFDDE) Overview; Today’s Agenda
Matt Snipp, Vice Provost for Faculty Development, Diversity and Engagement, Burnet C. and Mildred Finley Wohlford Professor of Humanities and Sciences (Sociology)
Lourdes Andrade, Executive Director, Office of Faculty Development, Diversity and Engagement.

9:45 - 10:15 a.m.  The Stanford Student Community
Student demographics, campus climate, and the Stanford community
Brian Cook, Director of Assessment and Program Evaluation, Institutional Research & Decision Support
Jessica Sharkness, Director of Institutional Research & Decision Support

10:15 - 10:45 a.m.  Student wellbeing and support systems
Susie Brubaker-Cole, Vice Provost for Student Affairs
10:45 – 11:45 a.m.  Undergraduate and Graduate Education and Advising
Sarah Church, Freeman-Thornton Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Professor of Physics
Stacey Bent, Vice Provost for Graduate Education and Postdoctoral Affairs and Jagdeep & Roshni Singh Professor in the School of Engineering (Chemical Engineering)

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Introduction Campus Resources Fair
Meet experts and staff from a number of key offices and programs focused on student and faculty worklife services, mental health and wellness initiatives and other resources designed to support the needs of various Stanford communities.
Offices: Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), Faculty and Staff Help Center, Graduate Life Office (GLO), Office of Accessibility in Education (OAE), Office of Postdoctoral Affairs,

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.  Lunch & visits with campus resource offices

1:30 – 2:00 p.m.  Provostial welcome to Stanford
Persis Drell, Provost, James and Anna Marie Spilker Professor and Professor in the School of Engineering, Professor of Materials Science and Engineering and Professor of Physics

2:00 – 2:45 p.m.  30-Second Self-Introductions by new faculty
New Faculty Self Introductions to Provost and NFO Colleagues

2:50 – 3:50 p.m.  Vice Provost and Dean of Research Presentation of Priorities
Join the Office of the Vice Provost and Dean of Research for an overview and discussion on the priorities of the VPDOR. You will learn more about Stanford’s research infrastructure, the independent academic units, and their scholarship, our investments in research collaborations, and our support for research integrity.
Office of the Vice Provost and Dean of Research
Jennifer Dionne, Senior Associate Vice Provost of Research Platforms/Shared Facilities, Associate Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, and of Radiology (by courtesy Serena Rao, Senior Associate Dean for Finance and Administration
Cindy Kiel, Associate Vice Provost for Research Policy and Integrity

3:50 – 4:00 p.m.  Preview Day 2 of New Faculty Orientation and resources
Lourdes Andrade, Executive Director, Office of Faculty Development, Diversity and Engagement

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.  Reception, Inside Blount Hall
Day 2 – Thursday, September 14
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
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9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Learning and Teaching at Stanford
The Center for Teaching and Learning welcomes you to a series of panels and demonstrations that will provide significant insight into the experiences of Stanford students and faculty as well as the resources available to faculty for supporting teaching.

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  What’s it like to Teach at Stanford? Faculty lunch Panel
Preparing to teach can be filled with many “unknowns,” particularly at a new-to-you institution. Learning from other faculty who have had similar experiences can provide answers, as well as thoughtful, candid guidance. Learn what faculty have done to incorporate effective teaching strategies into their classrooms and what has made these experiences rewarding. Are you curious about something specific related to teaching? Have those questions ready for this session and we’ll provide time for the audience to ask questions of the panelists.

Moderator: Cassandra Volpe Horii - Director, Center for Teaching and Learning, and Associate Vice Provost for Education

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.  Mentorship: How to give and receive feedback
Throughout their careers, faculty will be expected to mentor students, postdocs, trainees, and research groups and labs. This interactive workshop will provide best practices and strategies for establishing effective mentorship practices. Equally important, faculty need to receive mentorship and support throughout their career. Come learn how to give and receive useful feedback and support.

Magali Fassiotto, Associate Dean, Faculty Development and Diversity, School of Medicine
Kritika Yegnasankara, Associate Director, Faculty and Lecturer Programs, Center for Teaching and Learning

2:30 p.m.  Campus tour, optional, (TBD)