

UCI CTSA DRAMA WELCOME WEEK 2025 SCHEDULE +

PRE-WELCOME WEEK

Asynchronous	UCI New Graduate Student Welcome and Orientation (New Grads) Online (https://grad.uci.edu/current-students/new-graduate-student-welcome-and-orientation/)
Wednesday, September 17	
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	MFA Costume Orientation (MFA Costume only) Drama Building (DRA) 148/ Studio (STU) Four, Rm. 101
Thursday, September 18	
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM	UCI TEACH DAY 2025! (Optional/Open to Faculty, Staff, Grads) (RSVP) Anteater Learning Pavilion (ALP) (https://dtei.uci.edu/uci-teach-day/)
4:30 - 6:30 PM	UCI TEACH DAY: 33rd Annual Celebration of Teaching (RSVP) University Club (https://dtei.uci.edu/uci-teach-day/celebration-of-teaching/)

Friday, September 19 (No events)

Saturday, September 20	
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	MFA Stage Management Potluck & Orientation (MFA SM Grads only, SM Faculty) CAC 3100B (3rd Floor)
1:00 - 3:00 PM	Mobile Elevated Work Platform (MEWP) In-Person Training (Design Grads) Robert Cohen Theatre (RCT) (Please complete the online EH&S MEWP Training portion in Advance)

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Sunday, September 21	
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Demystifying Welcome Week (All New Grads invited) (Orientation Meeting and Q&A about all things happening this week in Drama) STU Four, Rm. 209
Monday, September 22	
10:00 - 11:00 AM	Graduate Student Welcome & Introductions (MFA & PhD Grads, Faculty) Winifred Smith Hall (WSH)
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Anteater Involvement Fair (AIF) (Details link) Aldrich Park
12:15 PM - 12:50 PM	CTSA Arts Graduate Student Orientation (in-person) (New Grads) MAB 129 (lower floor)
12:30 - 1:30 PM	PhD Faculty Meeting (Ph.D. Faculty) Contemporary Arts Center (CAC) Conference Room 1021 (1st Floor)
1:30 - 3:30 PM	Department of Drama Town Hall (Mandatory: All Undergrads, Grads, Faculty, Staff) CTT
3:30 - 4:30 PM	PhD Faculty Meeting with Ph.D. Students (PhD Grads & Faculty). CAC Conference Room 1021 (1st Floor)
5:00 - 7:00 PM	Mega Auditions OPEN CALL for all Drama 25-26 Shows (Undergrads, MFA SM Grads, Casting Teams) (Set-up: 4 PM; Dinner Break: 7-8 PM) (Details: https://drama.arts.uci.edu/auditions) STU Four, Rm. 209
8:00 - 9:30 PM	Mega Auditions for GRAD ACTORS (MFA Acting & MFA SM Grads, Casting Teams) STU Four, Rm. 209 (8:00 PM - 2 nd year MFA Grad Actors, then Costume Measurements; 8:30-9:30 pm - Undergrads)
Tuesday, September 23	
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Audition: Music Theatre Dance Technique (MFA Acting Grads, MT Faculty) STU Five aka PSTU 1110
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Design/Stage Management Faculty Meeting (Design/SM Faculty) DRA 148 (1st Floor)
12:00 - 1:00 PM	Second Year Grad Actor Meeting (Grad Actors, Acting Faculty) STU Four, Rm. 209
1:00 - 3:00 PM	Academic Student Employees (ASE)/Graduate Student Researchers (GSR)/Staff Training (as assigned) ... for Sound Claire Trevor Theatre (CTT) Stage (accessible from the CTT Stage Door) ... for Electrics / Lighting CTT Stage (accessible from the CTT Stage Door) ... for Costumes Costume Shop (basement of the CTT) ... for Production Studio / Scenic Production Studio
1:30 - 3:00 PM	... for Drama 101 Coordinators (assigned Stage Managers ASEs only) Drama Office
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Production Business Meeting – how to handle Pal Card Mesa Arts Building (MAB) 125 (lower floor) (<i>Pal Card Meeting is Mandatory for all graduate costume designers and scenic designers</i>)
4:30 - 10:00 PM	Mega Auditions OPEN CALL for all Drama 25-26 Shows (Undergrads, MFA SM Grads, Casting Teams)

(Set-up: 3:30 PM; Dinner Break: 7-8 PM) (Info: <https://drama.arts.uci.edu/auditions>) [STU Four, Rm. 209](#)**Wednesday, September 24**

9:00 - 9:30 AM	NS25 Planning Meeting (Dance MFA, Dance Faculty, SM MFA, PM) CAC Conference Room 1021 (1st Floor)
9:00 - 11:30 AM	Audition: Music Theatre Workshop – Level I & II (Open to Undergrads, MT Faculty STU Five, PSTU 1110 (All Students enrolled at UCI are welcome to audition for these MT courses.)
9:30 - 10:00 AM	DV26 Planning Meeting (Dance MFA, Dance Faculty, SM MFA, PM) CAC Conference Room 1021 (1st Floor)
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Theatre Production and Safety Meeting for Dance and Drama Faculty (Production Staff, Dance ADs & Drama Directors & Faculty, All Shows' MFA Grads, Designers, Stage Managers, MFA Choreographers) WSH
11:30 – 12:45 PM	Dean's Treat (Lunch) / Arts Involvement Fair (All CTSA Students, staff, faculty) CAC Plaza (outside CAC)
1:00 - 3:00 PM	Drama Welcome & Introductions for <i>All NEW Drama Undergrads (including Transfers & Faculty)</i> WSH
3:00 - 3:30 PM	Mandatory Drama 101 (D101) Q&A for <i>ALL NEW Drama/Dance Undergraduates (& SMs)</i> WSH (Full Details: https://sites.uci.edu/callboard/)
3:00 - 4:30 PM	Design Graduate Students Meeting (Design Grads & Faculty) DesignLand (CAC G005 – Lower Floor)
4:30 - 10:00 PM	Mega Auditions OPEN CALL for all Drama 25-26 Shows (Undergrads, MFA SM Grads, Casting Teams) (Set-up: 3:30 PM; Dinner Break: 7-8 PM) (Info: https://drama.arts.uci.edu/auditions) STU Four, Rm. 209

Thursday, September 25

7:00 - 9:00 PM	First Day of Classes Audition: New York Satellite Program 2026 (NYSP 26) (Open to Undergrads who have completed the 30 series, MT Faculty) (The dates for NYSP 2026 are March 21 - April 18) STU Five, PSTU 1110
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Friday, September 26**Saturday, September 27**

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Callbacks for <i>The Green Knight (TGK)</i> (Invited Actors, Casting Team & SMs) STU Five, PSTU 1110
1:30 - 5:30 PM	Callbacks for <i>at the very bottom of a body of water (BOW)</i> (Invited Actors, Casting Team & SMs) STU Four, Rm. 209
6:00 - 10:00 PM	Callbacks for <i>Noises Off (NOF)</i> (Invited Actors, Casting Team & SMs) STU Five, PSTU 1110

POST-WELCOME WEEK – WEEK 1**Sunday, September 28**

1:00 - 6:00 PM	Callbacks for <i>Little Women (LTW)</i> (Invited Actors, Casting Team & SMs) STU Five, PSTU 1110
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Monday, September 29

5:30 - 7:00 PM	Classes Casting Coordinator Meeting Time (if needed) (Invited Actors, Casting Team & SMs) Drama Office (DRA) (2 nd Floor)
7:30 - 9:00 PM 11:59 PM	Casting Meeting (All Directors/Casting Teams, Grad SMs, Casting Coordinator) 2025-2026 Season Cast Lists Posted CAC 3100B (3rd Floor) Drama Callboard (DRA)

Tuesday, September 30**Wednesday, October 1**

5:00 PM	Classes Roll Acceptance Agreements DUE Stage Management Office (DRA) (2nd Floor)
5:00 PM	D101 Survey DUE (Details: https://sites.uci.edu/callboard/) Online
6:30 - 10:00 PM	LTW 1 st Rehearsal (LTW Cast & Creative Team) CAC 3100B (3rd Floor)

Thursday, October 2

5:00 PM	D101 Assignments Distributed & Priority Sign-ups (until October 9 – then open call) D101 Office
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To be continued throughout the quarter, check your uci.edu email daily for updates and information.

**Additional Drama & 25-26 Season information
at the UCI CTSA Digital Callboard: <https://sites.uci.edu/callboard/>**