Columbia Science Scholars Experience 2015

Tentative Schedule

Days on Campus programming begins on Sunday, April 12, at 1:00 p.m. and concludes on Monday, April 13, at 4:00 p.m., at which time the Science Scholars Experience will begin. More information about Days on Campus, including a tentative schedule of events, can be found on the “Columbia College Days on Campus” page of the “Visit” section on the Columbia Blue website. Please note that by registering for the Science Scholars Experience, you are automatically registered for both the Science Scholars Experience and Days on Campus.

All events are for both students and family members unless otherwise indicated.

Monday, April 13

Check-In
4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.
The Columbia Science Scholars Experience begins immediately following the conclusion of Days on Campus.

Scholar Program Overview
4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Rabi Scholars
Szabolcs Marka, Associate Professor of Physics
Hazel May, Senior Associate Dean of Academic Affairs
John Parsons, Professor of Physics
Science Research Fellows
Vesna Gasperov, Program Manager for Undergraduate Studies and Lecturer in Chemistry
Dan Rabinowitz, Professor of Statistics
Faculty Committee Chairs, administrators and current Science Scholars will discuss the tremendous programmatic opportunities available to Science Scholars at Columbia.

Science Scholars Welcome Reception and Dinner
5:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Jessica Marinaccio, Dean of Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, mentors, administrators and current science scholars join you for dinner. Don Melnick, Thomas Hunt Morgan Professor of Conservation Biology, Department of Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology, will give the keynote address.

Family Goodbye
7:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Guests will adjourn so Science Scholars can depart for the evening’s events.

An Evening in New York City (students only)
7:15 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Science Scholars will travel from the Faculty House to Chelsea Piers to embark on a scenic cruise around Manhattan.

Tuesday, April 14

Breakfast with Advisers and Science Student Groups
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Representatives from various science student groups will be on hand to discuss cocurricular opportunities in the sciences and their own academic experiences.

Science Department Meetings (students only)
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Meet with Columbia faculty to discuss their current research and learn how Columbia will support your own research interests.

Science Tour (guests only)
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Current science undergraduates will take parents and guests on a guided tour to highlight faculty, facilities, research and the student experience in the sciences. The tour will include a visit to a research lab. This event will be the final parent/guest program of the day.

Core Curriculum Luncheon (students only)
11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Learn what makes the Columbia experience and education unique from a panel of current students.

New York City Is for Scientists: Site Visits (students only)
12:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Get an inside look at one of the many major science organizations in and around New York City.

Goodbye
4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Grab a snack, collect your luggage and depart campus.