

**Fall 2023 Exploratory Semester Guide Pt I**

Review this semester guide for student expectations and engage with opportunities and resources that support you in reaching your academic and personal goals. Each student's journey is unique, so the academic and exploratory planning activities and recommendations may overlap, but do not depend solely on each other.

Weeks	Academic Planning	Exploratory Planning & Special Events
<b>Before Fall 2023 Semester Begins</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Establish <a href="#">goals</a> for the semester.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Go to <a href="http://my.usc.edu">my.usc.edu</a> to see your Prevention Education Module assignments, which can be accessed through <a href="#">Trojan Learn</a>. PEMS should be completed by the start of fall 2023 classes, August 21, 2023.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Gather your syllabi and enter dates for all assignments (papers, projects, tests, finals, etc.) on a <a href="#">monthly calendar</a> and <a href="#">map out a plan</a> for completing the assignments.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Add the AEA (<a href="mailto:expladv@usc.edu">expladv@usc.edu</a>) email address to your "safe list" and be sure to review all messages sent from AEA and your advisor.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Review the <a href="#">AEA Frequently Asked Questions</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Check out the <a href="#">USC Events calendar</a> and the <a href="#">USC Student Engagement Portal</a> for updated calendars and event listings.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Attend the August 18<sup>th</sup> USC Career Center <a href="#">On-Campus Student Job Fair</a>.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Explore <a href="#">Campus Resources</a> and the <a href="#">Undergraduate Education Learning Support &amp; Resources website</a> for campus partners' contact information</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bookmark the <a href="#">Health &amp; Wellness resources</a> page for quick access to information and resources. For the latest campus updates, bookmark the <a href="#">Safety website</a> and save contact information for the Department of Public Safety.</li> </ul>
<b>Week 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Regularly attend your courses. Instructors may drop you from a course if you do not attend sessions in the first week and registration in a class does not by itself guarantee a space in that class. Please review the <a href="#">Schedule of Classes &gt; Enrollment/Registration page</a> registration policies.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Attend <a href="#">AEA drop-ins</a> from August 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> to discuss your current course schedule, if needed.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Schedule an appointment with your AEA Advisor between August 28<sup>th</sup>-September 6<sup>th</sup> for fall 2023 course-related topics, if needed.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have your schedule mostly solidified by the end of week 1; some departments or instructors discourage adding classes after week 2.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Save the Dates: Attend September 7<sup>th</sup> and September 8<sup>th</sup> <a href="#">AEA drop-ins</a> if you are considering adding/dropping a course.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Remember: <a href="#">September 8, 2023 is the last day</a> for students to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Register and add classes for Session 001</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Drop a class without a mark of "W," except for Monday-only classes, and receive a refund for Session 001</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Select the Pass/No Pass or Audit grading option instead of Letter Grade for a course (consult with your advisor) for Session 001</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Purchase or waive tuition refund insurance for the fall semester</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Purchase or show proof of health insurance</li> </ul> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> For all other important deadlines, as well as deadlines for classes that do not meet the full length of the semester, check the <a href="#">Schedule of Classes</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Review the <a href="#">AEA Calendar of Events</a> for upcoming major application deadlines and additional special events.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Checkout the AEA Instagram account @uscaea (<a href="https://www.instagram.com/uscaea/">https://www.instagram.com/uscaea/</a>) for weekly updates and information on key AEA and University dates, deadlines, and resources</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Utilize the Kortschak Center <a href="#">Back to School guide, Tools &amp; Resources</a>.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Connect with <a href="#">Student Equity &amp; Inclusion Programs</a></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Attend the <a href="#">Involvement Fair</a> on August 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Save the Dates for Exploratory events:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> September 6<sup>th</sup>: 3-4:30pm Exploratory Student Panel and Mixer</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> September 27<sup>th</sup>: 3-4pm USC Career Center Career Exploration event</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Stay tuned for more information!</li> </ul> </li> </ul>