


# USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck


## School of Social Work

**Dear Students,**

Congratulations once again on your admission to the **USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work**! You are invited to attend our **Fall 2025 New Student Welcome and Orientation**, which will be held virtually on:

 **Tuesday, August 12, 2025**

 **9:00 AM – 12:00 PM (PT)**

 **Live via Zoom** (*link provided after RSVP*)

This event will introduce you to the USC community, your degree program, and the resources available to support your academic and professional journey. Whether you're entering the **MSW, DSW, MSN-FNP, or PhD** program, you'll hear from school leaders, meet key staff and faculty, and learn what to expect in your first semester.

 [\[Click here to RSVP\]](#)

*Once you RSVP, you will receive the Zoom link for the Welcome and All-School Information Sessions. Separate links will be sent for your Program Orientation.*

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### **Preliminary Agenda (Subject to Change)**

#### **Session 1 – All School New Student Welcome**

##### **Welcome to Your Professional Journey: Community, Purpose, and Possibility**

**9:00 – 10:00 AM PT | Live Webinar**

- Opening Doors: Welcome to USC
- Your School, Your Community
- Health at the Heart of What We Do
- Find Your People
- Fostering Connection and Care

- Wellness Matters: WE-CARE and Self-Care at USC
  - Getting Started: Enrollment, Advisement & Support
  - Bridging Campus and Community: Clinical and Practicum Engagement
  - Stepping Into Your Future
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## **Session 2 – Program Orientations**

### **Your Academic Pathway: Curriculum, Support, and Academic Readiness**

**10:30 – 12:00 PM PT | Separate Zoom Links by Program**

You'll meet your program leadership and learn about curriculum expectations, practicum or clinical requirements, and academic support.

- **MSW Orientation**
- **DSW Orientation**
- **MSN-FNP Orientation**

Each includes a live Q&A segment facilitated by an ACE Navigator.

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### **Academic & Career Enhancement (ACE) Hub: Empowering your Academic and Professional Journey On-Demand Videos and Resource Links:**

You'll hear from student leaders and resource specialists on how to make the most of your time at USC:


- **Finding Your Voice:** Student Leadership and Professional Involvement
- **Here for You:** Academic and Career Enhancement (ACE) Team Introduction
- **Funding Your Future:** Scholarships, Stipends, and Financial Support
- **Tech-Ready:** Learning Platforms, Tools, and Support
- **Tools for Success:** Academic Support and Learning Resources
- **Expand Your Expertise:** Certificate Opportunities
- **Collaborating Across Disciplines:** Inter-professional Development

- **Building Knowledge:** Research Opportunities and Engagement
  - **Continuing Your Journey:** Exploring PhD Opportunities
  - **Get Involved:** NASW-USC and AANP Professional Networks
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 **You're also invited to attend:**

**USConnect: Community Building and Resource Fair (In-Person)**

 **Thursday, August 21, 2025**

 USC Campus – Location and RSVP link coming soon

Come meet your classmates, connect with student groups, and explore university resources to support your academic and personal success.

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**We strongly encourage you to attend this virtual welcome and program orientation.** If you're unable to join the sessions that are offered live, a recording will be shared after the event. For any questions, contact: **Elizabeth Gutierrez**, Director of Special Events [elizabeth.g@usc.edu](mailto:elizabeth.g@usc.edu)

We look forward to welcoming you to USC and supporting your journey as a future leader in social work, nursing, and professional practice.

Warm regards,

**Elizabeth Gutierrez**

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