



**Pratt** Orientation 2023

First Year Students

# ***Orientation Newsletter***

***Vol 1***

# ***Welcome!***

On behalf of the Student Involvement and Orientation office, we are excited to welcome you as the newest members of the Pratt community. We are working hard to organize programs and events that will share the resources and give you the chance to get to know other Pratt students and New York City.

It is important that you check your Pratt email on a regular basis because you'll be getting lots of important information from the Institute. Be on the lookout for important emails coming in the next couple of weeks.

We encourage you to bookmark the Orientation website at [www.pratt.edu/orientation](http://www.pratt.edu/orientation)



# ***Important Dates***

## Parent/Family Orientation

Parent/Family orientation will take place virtually on **Saturday, August 12.**

## Move-In

Move-in will take place on **Sunday, August 20.** You should have received information about your housing assignment around early July. Please make travel arrangements after receiving confirmation from Residential Life and Housing about your assignment and move-in.

## Orientation

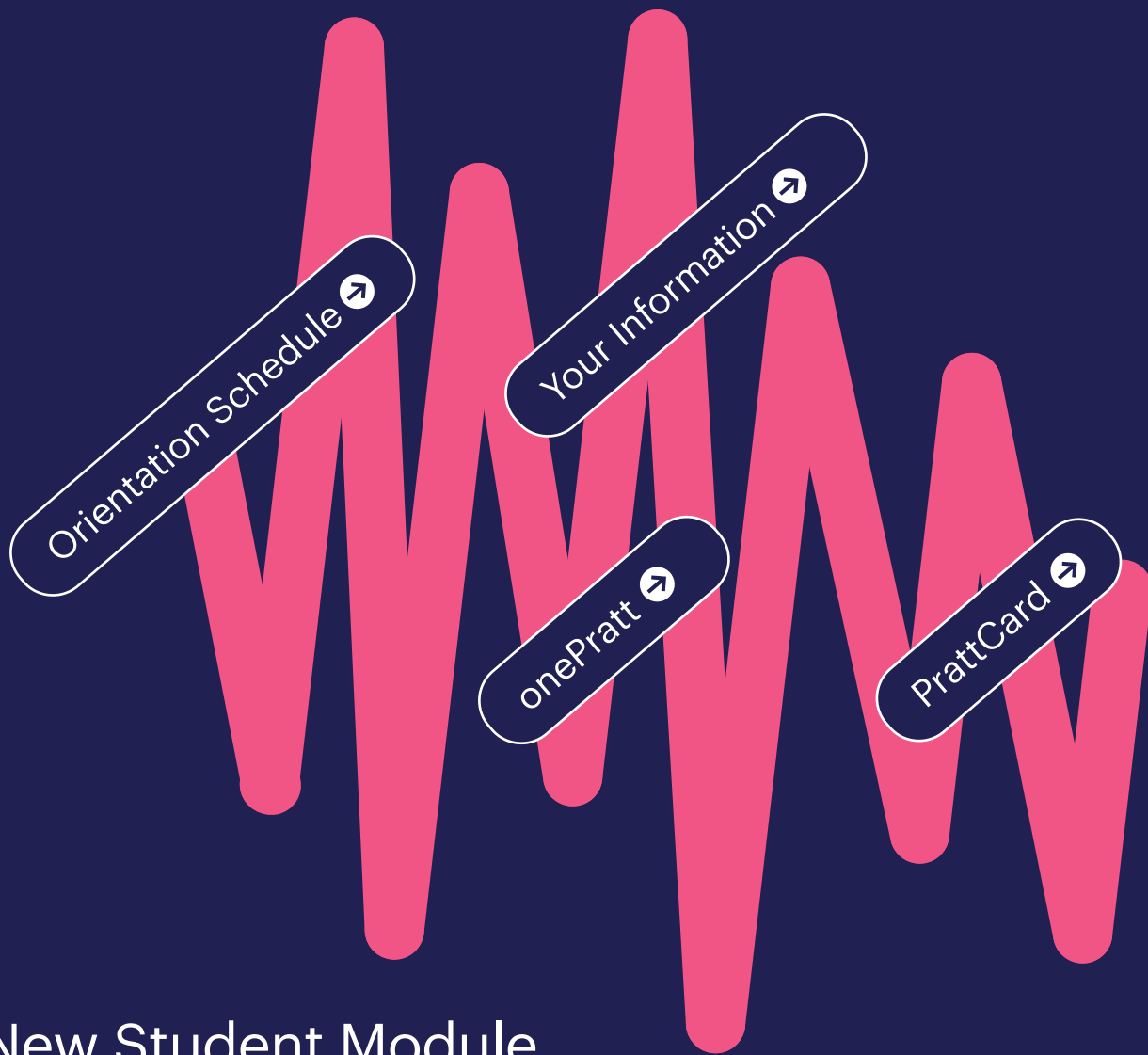
New Student Orientation will span over **Monday, August 21 through Friday, August 25.** There will be mandatory sessions to attend that week, so please plan to be in attendance all week. An overview of the schedule will be released later this summer.

## First Day of Classes

The first day of classes is **Monday, August 28th.**



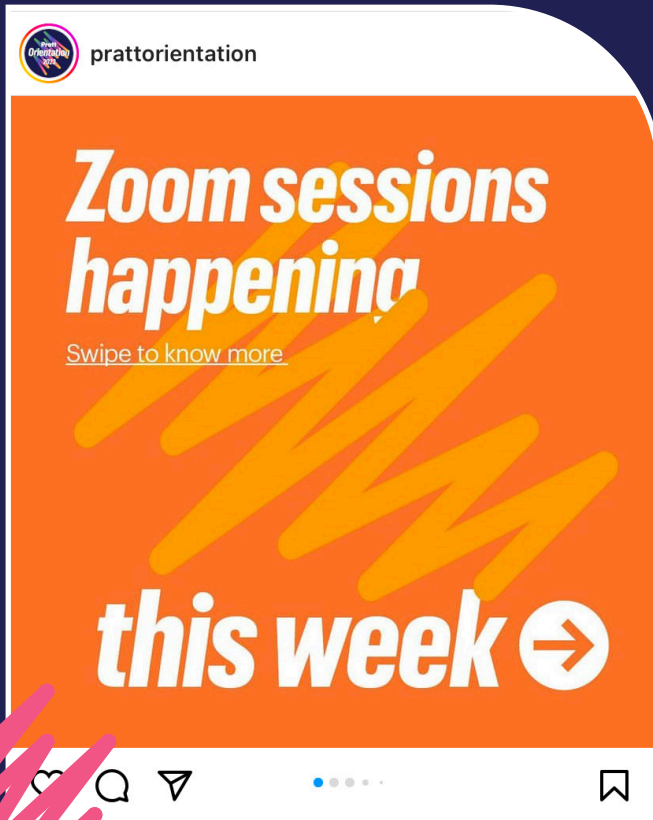
# *Things to do before school starts*



## New Student Module

The New Student Module is a comprehensive webpage created for all incoming students as a resource to familiarize you with Pratt's academic tools and resources. Once you sign in with your Onekey, this New Students website will help you prepare for orientation with an elaborate checklist to complete before the start of the school year. The module will be updated throughout the summer. Find it at [newstudents.pratt.edu](https://newstudents.pratt.edu)

# Social Media



Interact with each other, find out about the Orientation Staff, and stay connected via our social media accounts.

**Instagram: @prattorientation**

# *Steps to join the New Student Discord*

1

Go to [Discord.com](https://discord.com)

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Go to **"Explore Public Servers"** icon on the left side

3

Under **"Discover"** select **"Student Hubs"**

4

You will be asked to enter your Pratt email address

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Once you are in, you can search for **"Pratt Orientation Fall 2023"** or find us under **"Social & Study"**.


# ***Summer Reading***

All new first year students are required to complete a summer reading. Please get started so you are ready for New Student Orientation and your Common Experience Module.

## **Colson Whitehead's Colossus of New York: A City in Thirteen Parts**

Colossus is available through many local libraries, local bookstores, audiobook streaming services, and internet booksellers. If you're unable to find a copy during the summer, you'll find copies on reserve in the Pratt Library on the Brooklyn Campus once you arrive -- you won't be able to take a reserved copy out of the library, but you'll find comfortable chairs there for your reading in place. You'll be working with this text during your Common Experience module, so do read it beforehand.

**An email about signing up for a specific Common Experience module will be sent to you in the coming weeks.** These modules take place during orientation and are scheduled by the individual student. Stay tuned for that, but start reading the book now!



# *Zoom Sessions with Orientation team!*

As the orientation team begins to prepare for your arrival on campus we wanted to offer some opportunities to connect with the orientation leaders before orientation.

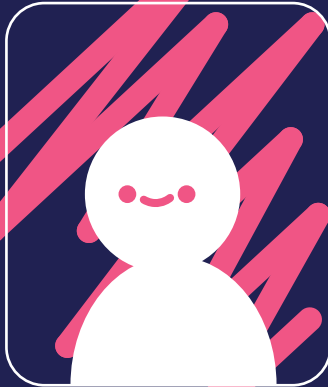
Below are a variety of zoom sessions hosted by current students that we encourage you to attend **CLICK HERE** to see the sessions offered!





# ***Submit a Photo for your Pratt ID***

To create your Pratt ID card, we ask that you submit a photo online prior to August 1.



You will then receive your student ID card during orientation. You will need a copy of your tuition receipt or a residence hall room key to receive your ID. Full instructions are outlined on the [\*\*ID card site\*\*](#).



# *Contact*

If you have any questions throughout the summer and are not sure who to contact, please email us at [orientation@pratt.edu](mailto:orientation@pratt.edu)