

# Community Building and Orientation Week September 8 -10, 2010

## Day 1: Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

**8:30** – Meet your new classmates or get reacquainted over a cup of coffee and a pastry. Student hosts and VST faculty and staff will be ready to greet and visit with new students

**8:45** – Morning Devotions (Rotunda)

### Especially for New Students:

**9:00 – 10:15** – VST Walking Tour (meet in Rotunda)

**10:30 – 11:45** – Introduction to VST Staff and Faculty (Rm 300)

**12:00** – Lunch provided in Third Floor Lounge

**1:00 – 2:15** – Introduction to Policies and Procedures at VST (Rm 300)

**2:30 – 3:00** – Financial Aid and Bursaries at VST (Rm 309)

**3:00 and following:**

**Now is your opportunity to register for courses if you haven't already, or to meet with any faculty member or administrator you need to see before classes begin.**

**In addition, Student hosts will be available to help you do the following:**

- Take a walk to the **UBC Bookstore** to buy books, get your UBC Card/UPASS... (Student Hosts will be available to show you the way...)
- Opt out, in, or change your **Health and Dental plan Coverage** (at Health and Dental Plan office – first floor of UBC's Student Union Building).

**5:30** – New Student Dinner at the Principal's Home

### Especially for Returning Students: A flexible day to get things done

#### *Scheduled Activities:*

**12:00** – Lunch provided in 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Lounge

**1 – 2:30** - Returning from an Internship or Summer Placement? (Rm 333)  
Join Joyce Davis and Valerie Taylor for a Re-integration Meeting

**Day 2: Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup>: Full Community Day** (*attendance required for all students*)

**8:30** – Gathering – Rotunda (Coffee/tea/muffins provided)

**9:00 – 10:15** – What’s on at VST? New Policies, New activities, New Structures.... (Rm 527)

**10:20 – 11:10** – Program Group connections and updates: What’s new? What’s changed? Deadlines and Guidelines

- Diplomas in Theological and Denominational Studies (Rm 333)
- M.Div (Rm 300)
- MATS/Th.M (Rm 309)

**11:20 – 11:50** –What you need to know about living in community at VST (Epiphany Chapel)

**12:00 – 1:00** – Community Worship (Epiphany Chapel)

**1:00 – 2:30** – Principal’s Lunch (Third Floor Lounge)

*Including: ‘Getting to Know Each Other’ activities  
VSTSA introduction  
Spiritual Direction Introduction*

**2:45 – 3:30** – Research at VST & UBC (Room 300)

**3:45 – 4:30** –Denominational groups

- Anglican/Episcopal/Lutheran (Rm 309)
- Presbyterian (Rm 333)
- United Church of Canada (Rm 433)
- Other denominations or faith traditions (Rm 423)

**4:45** – Family Picnic (Lawn behind Iona Building –weather permitting)

**Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>: New Students Only**

**“Learning in Community at VST” Retreat Day**

**8:30** – Gathering – Rotunda (Coffee & muffins provided)

**9:15 – 4:00** Retreat Day (Rm 627)

Getting to Know One Another

Transitions into Community

12:30-1:30 – Lunch: Provided by the VST Student’s Association (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Lounge)

Sharing our Spiritual Autobiographies