3:00 - 4:00 P.M.
Student Sign-In
Students will check-in for the residency, receive their keys if staying on-campus, and obtain their student ID cards.
Location: Withey Lobby

4:00 - 5:00 P.M.
Introduction to Classmates
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

5:00 - 6:00 P.M.
Introductions and Conversations with Faculty
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
Reception with Faculty
Location: The East Room, Withey Hall

6:30 P.M.
Welcoming Remarks by Program Director, President, and Provost
Location: The East Room, Withey Hall

6:45 P.M.
Dinner
Location: The East Room, Withey Hall
Thursday, September 10, 2015

8:30 - 9:15 A.M.
- Returning Students:
  Breakfast with Program Director
  Meet with Program Director Laird Christensen to discuss the past and upcoming year.
  Location: The Gorge Atrium, Withey Hall

- New Students:
  Breakfast with Student Services
  Meet with staff from across campus to answer any questions you might have regarding their departments - this includes the Graduate Office, Registrar’s Office, and Student Financial Services.
  Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

9:15 - 10:45 A.M.
Overview of the Thesis Process
Presented by Meriel Brooks, Lori Curtis, and Ron Steffens
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

10:45 - 11:00 A.M.
Break and Beverage
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

11:00 - 12:15 P.M.
- New Students:
  Information Resources & Technology Training
  Presented by Paul Millette, Rachel Pusateri, and Brenton Dupee
  Location: PC Lab, Griswold Library (Second Floor)

- Returning Students:
  Meet with Program Director
  Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

12:15 - 1:00 P.M.
Lunch
Location: The Dining Hall, Withey Hall

1:00 - 1:30 P.M.
Student Photos
Location: Meet Between Waldron Gymnasium and Withey Hall

1:30 - 3:30 P.M.
- New Students:
  First Class Meeting, RSC 5010
  Location: PC Lab, Griswold Library (Second Floor)
- Returning Students:
  Strategies for Success and a Preview of Several Courses
  Location: TBD

3:30 - 4:30 P.M.
Break and Beverage
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

4:30 - 5:30 P.M.
Campus and Sustainability Tour
Location: Leave from The Gorge, Withey Hall

5:30 - 6:30 P.M.
Dinner
Location: The Dining Hall, Withey Hall

7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Public Talk by Visiting Scholar, Sandra Postel
Title: “The Global Freshwater Challenge: New Solutions for a Thirsty World”
Location: Ackley Auditorium

8:30 P.M.
Social Time/Pub Night
Location: Taps Tavern, Main Street, Poultney

Friday, September 11, 2015

8:30 - 9:00 A.M.
Breakfast
Location: The Dining Hall, Withey Hall

9:30 - 10:45 A.M.
Visiting Scholar Presentation by Sandra Postel
Title: “Water: Adapting to a New Normal”
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

10:45 - 11:00 A.M.
Break and Beverage
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

11:00 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.
Dialogue with Sandra Postel, Visiting Scholar
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall
12:15 - 1:00 P.M.
Lunch
Location: The Dining Hall, Withey Hall

1:00 - 2:15 P.M.
Guided Research Session
Location: PC Lab, Griswold Library (Second Floor)

2:15 - 2:30 P.M.
Break and Beverage
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

2:30 - 3:30 P.M.
Working with Audubon International
Presented by Joanna Nadeau, Director of Community Programs, Audubon International
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

3:30 - 4:30 P.M.
Careers in Sustainability
Presented by Aaron Witham and Steve Letendre
Location: The Gorge, Withey Hall

4:30 - 5:00 P.M.
Free Time or Optional Moodle Training/Practice
Location: PC Lab, Griswold Library (Second Floor)

Optional Review of Completed MSES Theses
Location: Special Collections Room, Griswold Library (Second Floor)

5:00 - 9:00 P.M.
Dinner and Campfire with Faculty
Vans will leave from Ames Circle beginning at 5 P.M.
Location: Christensen home, 320 Thrall Road, East Poultney

__________Saturday, September 12, 2015__________

8:30 - 9:00 A.M.
Continental Breakfast
Location: The Gorge Atrium, Withey Hall

9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Field Trip and Hike up Haystack Mountain (with Picnic Lunch)
Led by Laird Christensen
Location: Departing from The Gorge

3:00 P.M.
Adjourn

4:00 P.M.
Shuttle to Albany Airport