

# **Sidney-Pacific Graduate Community**



**2018 Welcome Guide**

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## Welcome!



Hello, and welcome to SP!

I'm Olivia, a fellow graduate student and Chair of the Halls at Sidney Pacific. Just two years ago, I was in the same place as you: moving away from home (for the first time!) and starting my studies at MIT. MIT is an exciting yet sometimes daunting place, and we at SP are here to support you as you begin your journey.

SP is a vibrant, diverse community with so much to offer. From weekly coffee hours, to lectures by leading experts in their fields, to a wide variety of interest groups and programming, there are so many ways to meet people from all over the world and have fun. None of this would be possible without our team of over 60 officers: graduate students who make the events and programs happen for residents. Supporting the officers are an amazing group of volunteers called helpers, of which you can be a valued part!

As Chair of the Halls, I lead the team of Hall Councilors and Interhall Coordinators. Your hall councilor is here to provide support and build community by holding monthly hall events, mediating conflicts, and guiding you to the resources that MIT has to offer. The Interhall Coordinators promote building-wide wellness and community initiatives through programs like Daily Snacks (providing grab-and-go breakfast in the lobby during the academic year), meditation events and wellness seminars, finals stress-busting activities, and interest groups events.

We're so excited to have you join our community, and we encourage you to get involved! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out. I wish you a fantastic 2018-2019 year!

Warmly,

Olivia Fiebig

**Chair of the Halls, 2018-2019**

**Our Heads of the House**  
**Julie Shah and Neel Shah**

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Welcome to SP!

We are professors who live in the building with you, share your ambitions, and also strive to live happy, full, and balanced lives. As your Heads of House, we're here to ensure that while you're out there doing awesome things you also have a supportive home on campus--a place where you eat and sleep, but also make great friends, attend enriching events, and find extra help if the going ever gets rough.

We live in apartment 568 with our son Luca, our dog Sidney, and our parrot Bolivar. We are expecting our second baby, a daughter, this September! Julie has been at MIT for nearly two decades, first as an undergraduate, then as a graduate student, and now as faculty in AeroAstro. Neel delivers babies as a practicing obstetrician and is also faculty in health policy at Harvard.

You'll see us around the building, strolling with Luca and Sidney, attending coffee hours and brunches, procrastinating before

writing the next grant proposal or paper. We're easy to find (sp-headsofhouse@mit.edu, or just knock on our door). Introduce yourself. Friend us on Facebook. We became Heads of House because we enjoy getting to know you :) And most importantly, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns, whether they are about life at SP or navigating the waters of graduate student life at MIT in general.

Sincerely,  
Julie and Neel Shah

**Our Associate Heads of the House  
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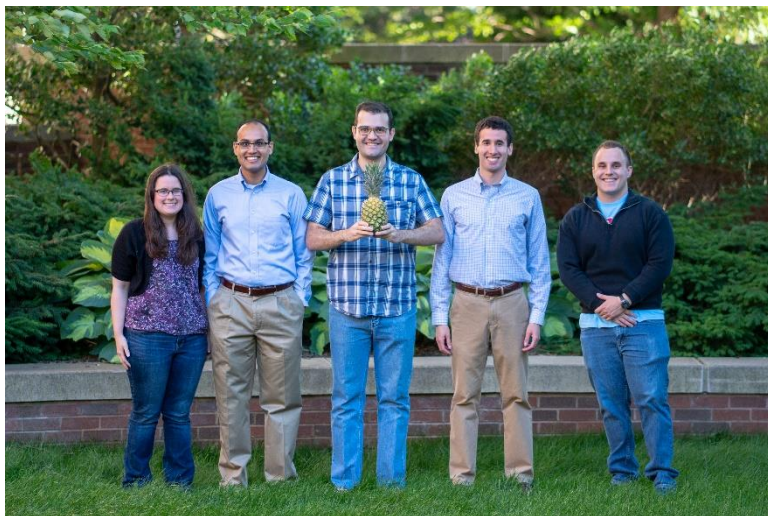
Hi there!

We are Alberto, Nuria, Zoe, and Leo, your Associate Heads of House. We have been living in SP for two years now, and let us tell you: SP is great! We are glad to be part of such an engaging and supporting community.

We are here to share your exciting journey as students at MIT. You can easily find us at home @268, playing in the courtyard with Zoe and Leo, or crashing one of the many and varied SP events. If you want to talk, just knock on the door. You shall always find food, arms, ears, and hearts to welcome you.

**SP Student Government**  
**SPEC — SP Executive Council**

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*From left to right: Olivia Fiebig (Chair of the Halls), Karthik Sastry (VP of Resources), Sami Yamani (President), Zachary Schiffer (VP of Information), AJ Fenton (VP of Residential Life)*

Welcome to your new home! As SPEC, we work to create and support the community feel and culture of Sidney-Pacific. We're all graduate students at MIT who love participating in SP's diverse and active community.

You can find us in the SP lobby every Tuesday evening from roughly 8:30-9:30 pm for SPEC office hours. We'll have candy and Legos, so come by to say hi, ask a question, or just to meet more people in the building.

Almost all of us got involved with SP community through one of the greatest cultures we have in the building called the "Helper Culture". There is always something going on in the building, and officers need volunteers called "helpers" to help them run the events smoothly. There are so many benefits for being a helper, including helper gifts and being the first to get food at events. We highly recommend you to subscribe to the SP helper email list on your My Account page on the SP website and enjoy being

involved in the amazing community of the largest grad dorm in the country!

Residents can also easily organize SPontaneous events, which are subsidized up to \$20. You can even take advantage of SP's interest groups, which provide funding for specific interests that residents might have. To get more information on either of these programs, email Rachel at [sp-interestgroups-chair@mit.edu](mailto:sp-interestgroups-chair@mit.edu).

This year, we are excited to introduce a Wellness officer in our house government. The wellness officer will be in charge of holding events that help residents stay healthy and fresh during the year, especially when things are becoming hectic at school. Look for the emails from our amazing Wellness Officer, Suzane!

We look forward to having a great year and seeing you at many events. Come out and get to know your fellow residents, and perhaps even lend a helping hand from time to time. We work hard to make sure Sidney-Pacific has a lot to offer, and we hope you'll take advantage of those opportunities. Again, welcome! We're glad to have you here!



## House Information and Phone Numbers

### Mailing Address

70 Pacific Street, Apt #  
Cambridge, MA 02139

Packages can be picked up from the front desk. Do not include MIT in your address. It will slow down your mail.

### Emergency Phone Numbers

Further information on emergency procedures is available at [emergency.mit.edu](http://emergency.mit.edu)

MIT Police (Using Campus Phone).....	100
MIT Police (Using Cell Phone) .....	(617) 253-1212
MIT Medical.....	(617) 253-4481
MIT Facilities (24-hr service for urgent repair) ....	(617) 253-4948
Off Campus Emergency.....	911

If you see anything suspicious or feel threatened, use the blue emergency phones to directly connect with MIT Police. Call MIT Police and not 911 for on-campus emergencies.

### Other MIT Numbers

S-P Front Desk.....	(617) 452-4753
SP House Manager.....	(617) 253-0553
	(sp-housemanager@mit.edu)
MIT Housing Repair Facilities.....	(617) 253-1500
MIT Mental Health and Counseling.....	(617) 253-2916
Student Support Services.....	(617) 253-4861

### Important non-MIT phone numbers

AIDS Action Committee (HIV Testing).....	(617) 437-6200
Alcoholics Anonymous.....	(617) 426-9444
Boston Area Rape Crisis Center.....	(617) 492-7273
Gay and Lesbian Helpline.....	(617) 267-9001
Samaritans Suicide Prevention.....	(617) 247-0220
Safelink 24hr Domestic Violence Hotline.....	(877) 785-2020
Massachusetts Eating Disorders Association.....	(617) 558-1881
Massachusetts Poison Control Center.....	(800) 222-1222

## Safety

You will be fined or evicted if you do not evacuate during a building-wide fire alarm—a voice message followed by a loud sound.

### Fire Safety

- Call MIT Police immediately at 617-253-1212 for any emergency. Call 617-253-1311 for urgent medical care.
- If evacuation is necessary, follow the evacuation procedures outlined on the back of your apartment door.
- Do **not** hang things from the sprinklers. Hanging things from sprinklers can cause a fire alarm and result in flooding.
- Keep your apartment door closed while cooking. Use the fan above your stove to keep the room well ventilated.
- Smoke detectors are very sensitive - spraying aerosols like air fresheners near the smoke detector will trigger the system.

Do not open the door if you accidentally set off a fire alarm in your apartment (please evacuate if there is an actual fire). Open your windows and inform the front desk 452-4753. If the hallway alarm goes off, everyone has to evacuate.

### Personal Safety

- MIT SafeRide shuttle operates at night and can drop you off straight at the SP doorstep from 6:00pm to 2:00-3:00am.
- After SafeRide hours, you can call MIT Police at (617) 253-1212 to request an MIT Police escort to your on-campus destination.
- Choose Albany Street to walk to Sidney Pacific. There are graduate dorms and blue emergency phones all along Albany street.
- Lock your door when you leave your room to avoid theft. It is not common but it does happen.

## SP Policies

### Smoking

- Sidney Pacific is a smoke-free building, including the courtyard. This includes marijuana and e-cigarettes. You must be at least 30 feet away from the building and courtyard to smoke.

### Alcohol

- Serving alcohol in SP common spaces is subject to MIT's alcohol policy. You can find the policy here: [web.mit.edu/eventguide/eventregulations/alcohol.html](http://web.mit.edu/eventguide/eventregulations/alcohol.html). For events in SP, see the SP alcohol policy and approval form: <https://sidpac.mit.edu/secure/alcohol>.

### Noise

- Quiet hours are from 12:00am-8:00am Sun-Thu, 1:00am-8:00am Fri-Sat. The walls are thin, so be considerate of your neighbors at all times.

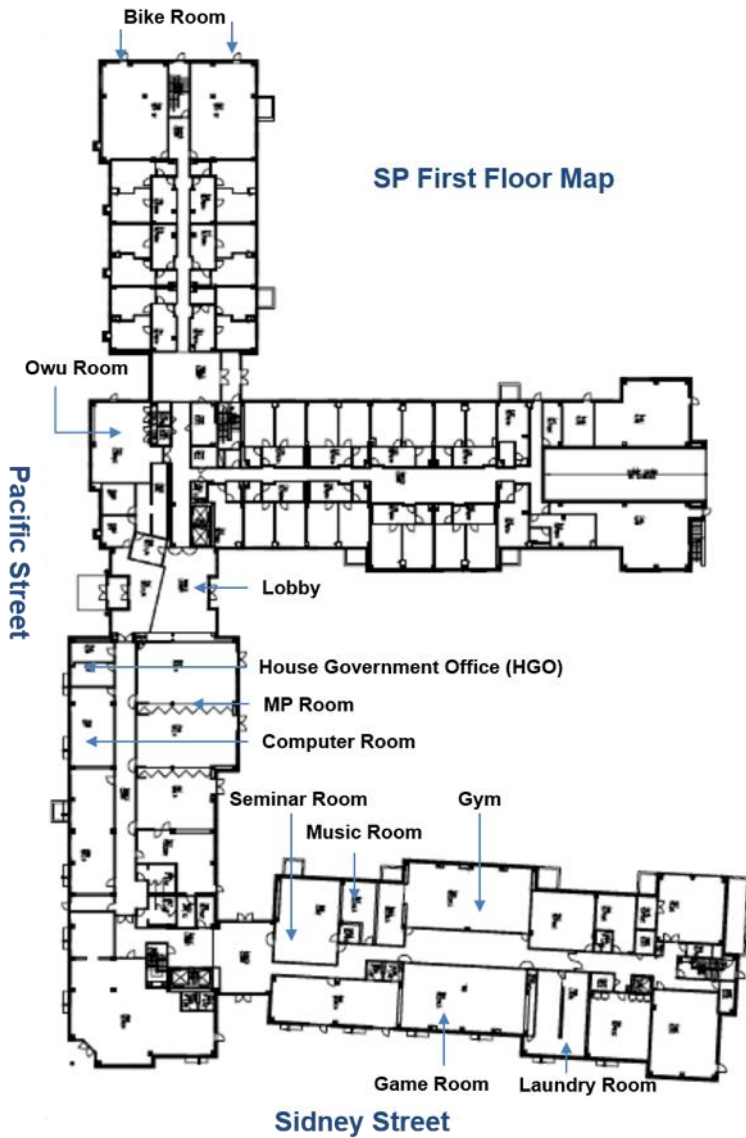
### Guests

- SP permits each resident to place up to five people on their guest list, allowing them unaccompanied access to SP between the hours of 8:00am to midnight.
- The host student is responsible for the conduct of their guests including damages they cause.
- Residents are allowed to have overnight guests for up to 3 consecutive nights in any given week and no more than 9 nights in any calendar month.
- Seek the permission of any suitemates in advance of your guest's arrival as a courtesy.

### Events

- For events in SP, please refer to MIT event planning to determine if your event needs to be registered at: [studentlife.mit.edu/sao/event-planning/registration](http://studentlife.mit.edu/sao/event-planning/registration)

## SP Map



## SP Services

### Front Desk

- The front desk is staffed 24 hours and can provide you with a spare key if you lock yourself out. From 8 am to midnight, you can also checkout or return items from SP's inventory, and receive packages.

### SP Inventory

- SP has an assortment of inventory items for use by residents, ranging from movies, music equipment, sports goods, board games, biking gear, carts, vacuum cleaners to tools. You can view a detailed list at [s-p.mit.edu/myacct/inventory.php](https://s-p.mit.edu/myacct/inventory.php)
- You are accountable for all items checked-out under your name. Do not leave items at the front desk without the desk worker being present, and having acknowledged your return.
- Set your SP account preferences to have an e-mail sent to you as a written record of any inventory check-in or check-out activity.

Enter your information and accept Terms of Service agreement on the SP website. Without activating, you cannot check out any items.

### Maintenance Services

- For non-urgent repair requests, fill out the request form online at [s-p.mit.edu/resources/repair.php](https://s-p.mit.edu/resources/repair.php). Call (617) 253-4948 for 24-hour service for urgent repair.

## Computing and Printing

- There are two ethernet jacks in each apartment room. Do not install any wireless network hardware including routers, as it can cause a SP-wide network disruption.
- The SP Computer Room (in room #158) is open to all residents, and includes two black and white printers. Use the guest account to login into the windows computers. The computers have a variety of useful software, most notably Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator.
- Any computer on an MIT network, including private computers can be connected via wireless or ethernet to the network. Visit [ist.mit.edu/printers](http://ist.mit.edu/printers) for printing instructions.

## Trash

- Trash can be left in a bag outside of your apartment before 9AM. Recycle and compost needs to be deposited in the designated bins on each floor.

## Recycling

SP has multiple recycling options. Details on sheet in every room and at [mit.edu/recycling](http://mit.edu/recycling).

- Single Stream Recycling: paper, plastics (#1-7), metal and glass can be recycled in the large bins located in each hallway.
- Non-Numbered Plastics: plastic bags, shrink wrap, bubble wrap can be deposited in the lobby only.
- Batteries, and small electronics like phones and keyboards can be deposited in the SP lobby in the appropriate bins.
- Do not leave recycling outside your door; please deposit all recycling in the blue bins on each hall.

## Composting Services

- There are compost bins in every common kitchen (floors 2-9).
- Compost bins are provided in each apartment, and biodegradable bags are available at the front desk. Please empty the compost bags in the larger compost bins in each kitchen.

## Television and Cable Services

- MIT provides access to XFINITY On Campus. For more details, see: <https://ist.mit.edu/xfinity-on-campus>.

## Gym

- Sidney-Pacific has an exercise room for its residents, located in room #189. Do not use the stereo during quiet hours as it is disruptive to residents who live above the gym.
- For the most comprehensive list of activities and facilities around campus please visit [web.mit.edu/athletics](http://web.mit.edu/athletics)

## Laundry Facilities

- Washing and drying machines are located in room #190 and available 24/7.
- You can load money into your MIT card for use of washers and dryers in the laundry. Visit [techcash.mit.edu/](http://techcash.mit.edu/) for details. The machines also take quarters.

## SP Bike Share

- SP owns bikes which can be checked out by SP residents. If you would like to do so, e-mail [sp-bikes-chair@mit.edu](mailto:sp-bikes-chair@mit.edu).

## SP Common Areas

Sidney Pacific has 8 common kitchens, 5 TV lounges, 4 study rooms, a computer lab, a laundry room, a gym, and a games room for common use. SP also has a music room and three large common rooms which can be reserved in advance.

Study rooms, TV lounges, common kitchens, games room, and courtyard are not for exclusive use. Residents can post event notices for a planned event but all residents are welcome at all times.

### TV Lounges – Room X51 for X = 2 to 6

- SP has TV lounges on floors 2-6. Each lounge has a large TV, DVD or Blue-ray player, and an HDMI cable for laptops.
- Movies can be checked-out at the front desk.
- No events with more than 20 people present are permitted.

### Common Kitchens – Room X19 for X = 2 to 9

- SP has common kitchens on floors 2-9. Each kitchen has a stove, refrigerator, freezer (only for residents in efficiencies), TV, DVD or Blue-ray player, and an HDMI cable for laptops.
- Clean the common kitchens after use. Do not leave food behind. Custodial staff do not clean the common kitchens.

- No events with more than 20 people present are permitted.

### **Study Lounges – Room X78 for X = 2 to 5**

- SP has study lounges on floor 2-5. Resources include white board, projector screens, and electrical outlets.

### **Game Room – Room 184**

- Games room includes an arcade machine, ping-pong table, foosball table, TV and gaming consoles.
- Equipment (balls, ping-pong paddles, PS2 and Wii controllers, etc.) can be checked out at the front desk.

### **Courtyard**

- SP courtyard includes two gas grills, seating areas, and hammocks. The gas grills can be reserved through the house manager.
- When the grill is not in use, residents may use the grill without reservation for 3 hours. Grilling tools may be checked out from the front desk.

The Music Room, MP Room and MP Room Kitchen, Owu Room, Seminar Room, and gas grills in the courtyard may be reserved for exclusive use by SP residents or MIT student groups. Full policies and related fees available at:

[s-p.mit.edu/resources/common\\_space\\_policy.php](https://s-p.mit.edu/resources/common_space_policy.php)



**Music Room – Room 187**

- The SP music room has an upright piano, a drum set, and an upright bass.
- The music room key can be checked out from the front desk for free for two hours, and can be reserved up to one month in advance at [s-p.mit.edu/reserve](https://s-p.mit.edu/reserve).
- Additional equipment includes a grand piano in the MP room, an upright piano in the seminar room, and electronic keyboards in the fourth floor TV lounge and sixth floor TV lounge.
- Steel string acoustic guitar and various other instruments and music books can be checked out at the front desk.
- Do not play music during S-P quiet hours (12am-8am on Sun-Thurs, 1am-8am Fri-Sat).

**Multipurpose (MP) Room – Rooms 157, 159, 161**

- Reservations can be made up to one month in advance by emailing [sp-housemanager@mit.edu](mailto:sp-housemanager@mit.edu). All events must comply with MIT event policies.

**Multipurpose Room Kitchen – Room 163**

- Reservations can be made up to one month in advance by emailing [sp-housemanager@mit.edu](mailto:sp-housemanager@mit.edu).
- Reservations do not include access to the pantry or access to utensils and food, which must be provided by the user.
- Rental requires a deposit, which is returned after the kitchen has been left in similar (or better) condition.

**Michael Owu House Common Room (Room 122) and Seminar Room (Room 185)**

- These rooms can be up to one month in advance at [s-p.mit.edu/reserve](https://s-p.mit.edu/reserve).
- No events with more than 30 people present are permitted. All events must comply with MIT alcohol and event policies.

## Transportation

### Around campus (daytime): EZRide

- EZRide (big blue bus) is your gateway to campus; it operates Mon–Fri, 6AM–8PM. You need to show your MIT ID.
- Buses stop in front of S-P every 10 minutes in the morning and evening, and every 20 minutes between 11AM and 3PM.
- TechShuttle is run by MIT, but does not stop near S-P. It runs from Westgate and Tang Hall to Kendall Square. You can also find it at [shuttletrack.mit.edu](http://shuttletrack.mit.edu).

### Around campus (night): SafeRide

- SafeRide (white bus with MIT logo) is run by MIT and provides a free and safe means of transportation at night around MIT and in parts of Boston. Routes start at the MIT bus stop on Mass Ave. and run every 30 minutes between 6PM and 11PM.
- From 11PM–2:30AM, the shuttle operates in OnDemand mode, and riders can request pickups and drop-offs via the TransLoc Rider mobile app. For more information, see [http://web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/shuttles/safe\\_ride.html](http://web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/shuttles/safe_ride.html)

### Around Boston: MBTA

- The public transportation system is commonly known as the “T”. This includes both the subway and buses.
- All of the rail lines use downtown as a reference point, where INBOUND is any direction going towards the four major connection stations (Park Street, Downtown Crossing, Government Center and State Stations) and OUTBOUND is the opposite direction, towards the end of the lines.
- The closest T station to Sidney-Pacific is Central Sq. Another close station is Kendall/MIT, on the east side of campus. Both are on the Red Line.
- The nearest, and most convenient, bus is the #1 (and CT1) route. It goes along Mass Ave. all the way from Harvard Square and across the bridge. The closest stop to SP is at the intersection of Sidney St and Mass Ave, a 6 minute walk. It also stops at W20-Student Center
- MIT ID cards can be used to pay for public transit. You can also sign up for significantly subsidized T passes on [atlas.mit.edu](http://atlas.mit.edu)

## Biking

- There are two bike storage rooms in S-P located on the ground floor in the southeast end of the building.
- Bikes get stolen frequently. Therefore, a strong lock is a must; we recommend a D-lock and a long cable that allows you to lock both wheels.
- Register your bike with MIT police online at [police.mit.edu/bike-registration](https://police.mit.edu/bike-registration)

It is forbidden by the City of Cambridge regulations to ride a bicycle on the sidewalks in Central Square and Harvard Square. It is also illegal to ride on the sidewalk anywhere in Boston.

## Blue Bikes

- Blue Bikes (<https://www.bluebikes.com>) is a bike rental company that has bike stations conveniently located outside Sidney Pacific, MIT Campus and also throughout Cambridge and Boston.
- MIT offers a discounted annual membership. When signing up, under “Membership Type” click “Corporate/University” and select “MIT” from the pull-down menu.

## Zipcar

- There are two Zipcars in the S-P parking lot behind the building that are available for use by S-P residents.
- Other Zipcars can be found at parking locations throughout the city and are available for use by members for any length of time.
- To apply for membership online, just follow the links and then select “I am affiliated with an existing organization.” Enter “MIT” and choose the MIT—Staff and Grads account.
- For more information about Zipcars, check out [www.zipcar.com](https://www.zipcar.com).

## Private Vehicles

- If you have a car, a regular MIT parking sticker or temporary pass is needed to park. Parking spaces are assigned through a lottery. Visit MIT Parking & Transportation Office (W20-022, x8-6510) or [web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/](https://web.mit.edu/facilities/transportation/) for additional information.

## Dining and Convenience Stores

For advice about food around SP, email [sp-igroups-foods@mit.edu](mailto:sp-igroups-foods@mit.edu) – let your new neighbors help you find delicious things!

### Convenience and Grocery stores near SP

- CVS
- Walgreen's
- Target
- Whole Foods
- Trader Joe's
- H-Mart (+ food court)
- LaVerde's Market (W20-105 Stratton Student Center, First Floor)

### Full Meals near SP: This is a tiny selection of myriad restaurants

- Clover: 24-hour, vegetarian
- Saloniki: Greek
- Oath: Gourmet pizza
- Pacific Street Café: Attached to the building
- Flour: Quality sandwiches, salads, and pastries
- Life Alive: Quality vegetarian fast food. Excellent smoothies.
- Happy Lamb: Hot pot. No vegetarian options; the broth is meat.
- Asmara: Ethiopian food
- Mary Chung: Small, efficient Chinese restaurant

### MIT buildings that offer food:

- W20 (Student Center):
- Refresher Course (E52 Sloan Building, First Floor)
- Steam Cafe (7 Rogers Building, Fourth Floor)
- Forbes Family Cafe (32 Stata Center, First Floor)
- BioCafe (68 Biology Building, First Floor)
- Bosworth Coffee Shop (7, Lobby)
- Cafe 4 (Building 4, 1st Floor of the Infinite Corridor)

For more food options on campus visit: <http://studentlife.mit.edu/dining/retail-dining>

### Almost Off-East Campus

- Chipotle
- Kendall Food Court

- Area Four
- Au Bon Pain

## SP Government and Staff



*"Why does a graduate residence need a government?"*

The following story gets at the answer. Whether or not you've heard it before, it's worth a laugh – and a moment's thought:

*This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.*

*There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.*

*It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.*

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## SP and GSC Orientation Events

Orientation events at MIT are a great way to meet other students, learn about the community, and get (lots!) of free food. Below, you'll find a list of SP-recommended events coming up in the next few weeks. Highly recommended events are blue.

For a more comprehensive list of events, visit the GSC's orientation website (<https://gsc.mit.edu/orientation/2018/home>) or SP's event calendar ([http://s-p.mit.edu/publicity/gcal\\_view.php](http://s-p.mit.edu/publicity/gcal_view.php)).

Green indicates an event needs a ticket.

Blue indicates an SP event.

\*Event times and locations are subject to change

### Sunday, August 26

- 10:00am - 11:30am Presidential Welcome, Kresge Auditorium
- 12:00pm - 2:00pm Graduate Welcome Picnic, Johnson Athletic Center Ice Rink
- 1:00pm - 3:00pm Graduate Family Carnival, Kresge Oval

### Monday, August 27

- 1:30pm - 3:30pm GSC Coffee Break, 34-101
- 7:30pm - 10:30pm OneMIT Eat and Meet, Morss Hall

### Tuesday, August 28

- 5:00pm - 7:00pm ISO Welcome Reception, Morss Hall
- 6:00pm, MIT SP Graduate Student Dinner Seminar Series, SP Seminar Room
- 7:30pm - 9:00pm MIT Spouses & Partners Connect Career Panel

### Wednesday, August 29

- 6:30pm - 10:00pm Boat Cruise, Off Campus

### Thursday, August 30

- 12:45pm - 3:00pm MIT Spouses & Partners Connect Campus Tour, 56-114
- 4:00pm - 6:00pm Cultural Awareness: Communicating More Effectively in a Global Community, 6-120

- 7:00pm - 9:00pm Graduate Student of Color Welcome Reception
- 7:00pm - 8:00pm Meditation at SP, Courtyard (Rain location: Owu Room)
- 8:00pm - 11:00pm Cambridge Pub Crawl, La Sala, Student Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

### **Friday, August 31**

- 5:00pm - 7:00pm MIT Libraries Reception, Hayden Library
- 9:00pm - 1:00am SP Orientation Dance Party, SP Courtyard (Dance Party Prep is 6PM to 9PM in SP Multipurpose Room)

### **Saturday, September 1**

- 6:45am - 7:00pm Outdoor Trip- New Hampshire, Off Campus
- 9:00pm - 11:00pm SP Welcome Music Meetup, SP Music Room

### **Sunday, September 2**

- 12:00pm - 2:00pm SP Orientation Brunch, SP Multipurpose Room  
(Brunch prep is Saturday, Sept 1 10:00am - 4:00pm, Sunday Sept 2 7:00am-12:00pm, SP Multipurpose Room Kitchen)
- 6:30pm - 10:00pm Prudential Skywalk, Off Campus
- 8:00pm - 11:59pm Pride Welcome, Thirsty Ear Pub

### **Monday, September 3**

- 9:00am - 2:00pm Apple Picking, Off Campus

### **Tuesday, September 4**

- 1:00pm - 3:00pm Grad Activity and Resource Fair, Johnson Athletic Center Ice Rink
- 6:00pm - 7:00pm Open Gym, SP Gym (sign up required)

### **Wednesday, September 5**

- 11:00am - 12:30pm First Day of Class Brunch for MIT Spouses & Partners, W20-306
- 9:00pm - 10:00pm SP Orientation Coffee Hour, SP Multipurpose Room  
(Coffee Hour prep starts at 7:00pm, SP Multipurpose Room Kitchen)

- 6:00pm - 7:00pm Open Gym, SP Gym (sign up required)

### **Thursday, September 6**

- 5:30pm - 7:00pm, SP Frisbee, SP Courtyard
- 8:00pm - 12:00am, SP Games Night, SP Game Room

### **Friday, September 7**

- 11:00am - 2:00pm GWAMIT Welcome Lunch, La Sala, Student Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
- 5:00pm - 7:00pm GradRat New Design Unveiling Event, Morss Hall

### **Saturday, September 8**

- 5:00pm - 9:00pm SP Orientation Barbecue, SP Courtyard (BBQ Prep is 1:30PM - 5:00PM in SP Multipurpose Room Kitchen)

### **Monday, September 10**

- 7:00pm - 8:30pm SP Head of House Welcome Dinner I, SP Multipurpose Room  
(Residents should refer to email invitation for which of the two dinners to attend)

### **Tuesday, September 11**

- 6:00pm - 8:00pm GSC Open House

### **Thursday, September 13**

- 7:00pm - 8:30pm SP Head of House Welcome Dinner II, SP Multipurpose Room
- (Residents should refer to email invitation for which of the two dinners to attend)

### **Friday, September 14**

- 8:00pm - 12:00am, Queer Movie Night, SP Multipurpose Room

### **Saturday, September 15**

- 2:30pm Cook for CASPAR, CASPAR Shelter (meet in SP lobby at 2:15pm)

- 4:00pm - 7:00pm Muddy Welcome Event, The Muddy Charles Pub

**Sunday, September 16**

- 12:00pm - 3:00pm, SP Cultural Festival, SP Courtyard and Multipurpose Room (Prep is 10am, Multipurpose Room)

**Saturday, September 22**

- 7:00pm - 9:00pm SP Laser Tag, SP Lobby

**Sunday, September 23**
















- 7:00pm - 9:30pm SP Musical Movie Series, *Annie*, 5<sup>th</sup> floor TV Lounge

**Saturday, September 29**

- 6:00pm - 9:00pm SP Open Doors Night, SP apartments

# Information Sheet



-  Enter your profile information and accept the Terms of Service agreement on the SP website ([s-p.mit.edu](https://s-p.mit.edu) > My Account).
-  Call MIT Police immediately at 617-253-1212 for any emergency. You can call 617-253-1311 if you need urgent medical care.
-  For repair requests, fill out a request form online at [s-p.mit.edu/resources/repair.php](https://s-p.mit.edu/resources/repair.php), or call 253-4948 for urgent requests.
-  You will be fined or evicted if you do not evacuate during a building-wide fire alarm (a voice message followed by a really loud sound).
-  Do not open the door if a fire alarm accidentally activates in your apartment. If the hallway alarm goes off, everyone has to evacuate.
-  Do not hang anything from the sprinklers or touch the sprinklers at all. Disturbing the sprinklers can cause significant flooding and a fire alarm.
-  Sidney Pacific is a smoke-free building, including the courtyard. You must be at least 30 feet away from the building to smoke.
-  The front desk is staffed 24/7, and has spare keys if you are locked out. You can check out / return inventory items from 8:00 AM until midnight.
-  Leave your trash in a bag outside of your apartment before 9:00 AM. Deposit recycle and compost in the designated bins on each floor.
-  EZRide and Saferide shuttles go to and from campus. EZride operates weekdays 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Saferide everyday 6:00 PM - 2:30 AM.
-  SP has floor lounges, floor kitchens, study rooms, bike rooms, computer lab, laundry room, fitness center, music room, and games room.
-  You can load TechCash money onto your MIT card for use with washers and dryers in the laundry room. The machines also takes quarters.
-  You can use common spaces to hold private events. Notices can help others plan, but all residents are welcome at all times in common areas.
-  Quiet hours are 12:00 AM - 8:00 AM Sun-Thurs, and 1:00 AM - 8:00 AM Fri-Sat . The walls are thin, so be considerate of your neighbors.
-  Your mailing address is 70 Pacific Street / Room (Apt Number) / Cambridge, MA 02139. Packages can be picked up from the front desk.