INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
PRE-ARRIVAL PACKET
2019-20
Portland State University
Congratulations on your admission to Portland State University! All of us in the Office of International Admissions and in the broader PSU community are excited that you have chosen to study in Portland, one of nation’s safest, most livable and vibrant cities. The faculty and staff at PSU are dedicated to your academic and personal success, as well as ensuring that you have a rich and diverse cultural experience during your time here. As soon as you step off of the plane at Portland International Airport (PDX) you will see why Portland is one of the top U.S. destinations for students, tourists, entrepreneurs and foodies alike.

You are about to embark on an amazing journey and we’ve put together this welcome packet to help make that journey as smooth as possible. There are important details you need to be aware of as you make your travel plans to the U.S., and also as you settle into your new home here in Portland.

Please take the time to read this packet and contact us if you have any questions. You will receive additional information and reminders via email, and will learn even more during New Student Orientation shortly after you arrive.

Once again, congratulations on becoming a Portland State Viking! We can’t wait to meet you in person! Safe travels!

Sincerely,

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NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST

go.pdx.edu/checklist-intl

There are a few steps you need to take before you begin school at PSU. Review and complete the items below as soon as you can!

*Required for enrollment at PSU

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

☐ Set up your PSU student account and PSU email* oam.pdx.edu/AccountPickup

☐ Confirm your spot at PSU by completing your Enrollment Confirmation* go.pdx.edu/confirm

☐ Make sure your passport is valid for 6 months past your visa date*

☐ Pay the $200 SEVIS online fee and apply for your student visa*

☐ Make an appointment for your visa interview* go.pdx.edu/apply-student-visa

☐ Attend your visa interview and get your visa*

☐ Submit any missing documents*

☐ Confirm your temporary or permanent housing in Portland*

☐ Review and accept any scholarship awards

☐ Plan and finalize your travel to the United States and to PSU and arrive at least one week before International Student Orientation

☐ Pack important documents in your carry-on bag: passport, I-20 or DS-2019, official copies of academic records, proof of finances, SEVIS fee receipt and some U.S. dollars in cash

AFTER YOU ARRIVE

☐ Attend On-Campus International Student Orientation*

☐ Take part in Viking Days, PSU’s Welcome Week events

☐ Complete Online Orientation*

☐ Register for classes*

☐ Sign up for International Student Orientation* go.pdx.edu/orientation

☐ Submit MMR vaccine requirement form* pdx.edu/shac/measles

☐ Get in touch with your International Student Mentor

☐ Review and accept any scholarship awards
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Source: [pdx.edu/registration/calendar](http://pdx.edu/registration/calendar)
ESTIMATED COSTS

ESTIMATED TUITION, FEES AND LIVING EXPENSES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Tuition, fees and living expenses increase each year. Rates in this packet are based on the 2018-2019 academic year.

[go.pdx.edu/intl-finance-docs](go.pdx.edu/intl-finance-docs)

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BREAKDOWN OF ESTIMATED LIVING EXPENSES FOR ONE ACADEMIC YEAR

Rent $697 per month X 9 months = $6,273
Food $489 per month X 9 months = $4,401
Misc/Personal $1,500 per quarter X 3 quarters = $4,500
Books $421 per quarter X 3 quarters = $1,263
Total estimated living expenses for 9 months = $16,437

U.S. immigration regulations require undergraduate international students to complete a minimum of 12 credits per quarter. Many undergraduate students take more credits than are required. The cost for each additional credit ranges from $550 to $596 depending on the academic program. Students are responsible for checking with departments about full-time enrollment requirements and departmental tuition and fee charges which may exceed these estimates.

Academic departments may charge different levels of tuition. Please check with the academic department for your major before you arrive to be sure you are aware of what your actual expenses may be. While immigration regulations ask you to prove that you have $41,736 available for each year of study at Portland State, your actual expenses may be more than our estimates depending on what you study and the number of credits in which you enroll. The above expenses are estimated for the academic year only. Students who plan to remain in the United States during summer term should plan to have an additional $5,058 available for living expenses. Students whose spouses accompany them should plan to have an additional $1,320/month. For each child accompanying the student, an additional $649/month should be available.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Health insurance is $875/quarter. Students are required to pay for health insurance in fall, winter and spring when registered for 1 or more credits. While continuing students don’t pay in summer, health insurance is
valid in summer quarter. Students whose first term of enrollment is summer must pay for health insurance in summer. Some students may be eligible to waive health insurance charges. Visit the International Student and Scholar Services website: [pdx.edu/international-students](http://pdx.edu/international-students) for more information.

Sponsored students are charged an additional $150/quarter for the additional services sponsoring organizations require.

**PAYMENT**

Portland State University policies require payment of tuition and fees by the designated due date. Payment of tuition, fees, and housing are due by the 6th of every month. If payment is not received, interest charges and billing fees will be added to the billing statement on the 15th of the month. Billing statements are sent to students via email (to students’ PSU email account). Students are financially responsible for all costs related to the classes they are registered for on or after the first day of the quarter.

Students have two options for paying their tuition and fees:

- **Payment Plan:** Pay your tuition in three installments online through PSU ePay using your VISA, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, Diners Card, or E-Check. For more details visit: [go.pdx.edu/PSU-payment-plan](http://go.pdx.edu/PSU-payment-plan)

- **In Person:** Pay by check or cash in person at the Cashier’s window in Western Hemlock trailer pods. For more information related to payment methods, visit: [pdx.edu/student-financial/payments](http://pdx.edu/student-financial/payments)
It is your responsibility to apply for a Non-immigrant F-1 Student Visa before you travel to the United States.

**STEPS FOR GETTING AN F-1 VISA**

1. Apply to Portland State University and await your decision.
2. Submit financial documents and receive an I-20 from Portland State University.
3. Have a valid passport.
4. Pay the SEVIS fee (I-901) online at [fmjfee.com](http://fmjfee.com). SEVIS transfer students and F-2 dependents generally do not need to pay the SEVIS fee.
5. Make a visa appointment. Visit the website of your nearest U.S. Consulate or Embassy for more information: [usembassy.state.gov](http://usembassy.state.gov).

Canadian students do not need to go to the Embassy for an interview. Students can take their documents to the port of entry/border crossing.

It is up to the discretion of the consular officer to approve or deny a visa application. For more information, see the U.S. Department of State website: [travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/study-exchange/student.html](http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/study-exchange/student.html). June, July and August are the busiest months for many embassies and consulates, so be sure to arrange an interview well in advance. U.S. embassies and consulates can issue a student visa up to 120 days before a program begins.

**WHAT TO BRING TO YOUR VISA INTERVIEW**

In general, you will need the documents listed below for your visa interview. However, read the consulate’s website for specific document requirements. Be sure to answer all visa interview questions confidently, openly and honestly.

Transfer students renewing their F-1 visa may have additional document requirements, such as transcripts from past institutions.

- The visa application (Form DS-160) confirmation page
- Your original I-20
- Proof of finances (showing enough funding to cover the costs shown on your I-20)
- Your SEVIS fee receipt of $200 (I-901 Receipt)
- Your letter of admission from Portland State
- Your valid passport
- A passport photo
**VISAS FOR DEPENDENTS**

If dependents will accompany you to the U.S. (spouse or children), you should also take proof of relationship to the dependent (for example: marriage and birth certificate) with you to your interview appointment. It is preferred that families apply for F-1 and F-2 visas at the same time. If your spouse and children must apply at a different time, they should take with them a copy of your passport and F-1 visa in addition to other required documents.

If you have a visa delay that prevents you from starting classes at PSU on time, contact the Admissions Office as soon as possible.

**WHEN CAN I ENTER THE UNITED STATES?**

Once you have a valid F-1 visa and passport, you may enter the U.S. up to 30 days before the program start date shown on your I-20.

**Please bring the following documents to the airport in your carry-on luggage:**
- Valid passport
- Valid F-1 Visa
- Original I-20 issued by Portland State
- Proof of finances
- I-901 SEVIS fee receipt
- U.S. Customs Declaration Form (given to you on the plane)

**HOW LONG MAY I STAY IN THE UNITED STATES?**

When you enter the United States on an F-1 student visa, you will be admitted for “Duration of Status (D/S)”. This means that you may stay in the United States as long as you are maintaining your student status, even if your F-1 visa expires while you are here. However, your I-20 and passport must remain valid for the duration of your stay in the United States. Once you complete your program, you will have a 60-day grace period to prepare for departure or transfer to another school.

Detailed information regarding the “Duration of Status” and the completion of a program will be given to you by Portland State’s Immigration Advisor during International Student Orientation.

**IMMIGRATION CHECK-IN**

Once you arrive in Oregon, you are required to report to Portland State University and show your immigration documents. During International Student Orientation, you will go through the immigration check-in process.

**Bring the following items with you to International Student Orientation:**
- Your passport (and dependents’ passports if applicable)
- Your local address in Oregon
- Emergency contact information

Canadian citizens do not need visas to study or participate in an exchange program in the U.S. However, Canadian students do need to obtain an I-20 (or DS-2019) Certificate of Eligibility from the university, school or exchange program they plan to attend. Upon receipt of the I-20 (or DS-2019), the student will be registered with SEVIS (the student tracking system), will be assigned a SEVIS number, and will be required to pay a registration fee.

**CANADIAN CITIZENS**

When crossing the border to begin a study or exchange program in the United States, provide the officer at the port of entry:
- A Canadian passport
- The original I-20 (or DS-2019) certificate
- Proof that the SEVIS fee has been paid
- Proof of ability to pay school fees and living expenses in the United States
- Proof of ties to Canada
Your final destination in the United States is Portland International Airport (PDX). The Portland airport is located within the Portland city limits, about 10 miles northeast of downtown and the Portland State University campus. Over a dozen airlines serve PDX with flights to and from major airport hubs throughout the world.

**GETTING FROM THE AIRPORT TO PSU**
To get from PDX to downtown Portland, you can take public transportation (MAX light rail), a shuttle, taxi, or ride sharing service. Go to flypdx.com/GroundTransportation for more information.

**LIGHT RAIL**
Taking MAX light rail from PDX to downtown Portland (where PSU is located) is easy and inexpensive. Trains depart from PDX every 15 minutes and the trip to downtown takes about one hour. The ticket cost is $2.50 and can be purchased from ticket machines adjacent to the MAX stop at the airport. You can take your luggage on the train. To get to PSU, first take the Red Line to the Rose Quarter Transit Center. Then, get off and transfer to the Green Line or Yellow Line. Either one will take you right to PSU. For more information and arrival and departure times, visit the TriMet website: trimet.org.

**SHUTTLES**
Blue Star Downtown Express (bluestarbus.com/downtown_express) departs from PDX every 30 minutes for hotels in the Lloyd Center and downtown Portland neighborhoods. The trip by shuttle takes about 30 minutes. It costs $14 one-way per person. Other shuttle services are also available, and some hotels offer free shuttles to and from the airport. SuperShuttle (supershuttle.com) also offers shuttle service to locations in the Portland metro. Prices, availability and departure times may vary.

**TAXIS AND RIDE SHARING**
Taking a taxi from PDX to downtown Portland is fast but expensive. The trip by taxi normally takes less than 30 minutes and costs around $35, not including tip ($5 tip is recommended). Taxis are always available at the airport. Ride sharing services like Uber and Lyft are also available at the airport.

There are also numerous ridesharing companies that service Portland International Airport including Curb, Flywheel, Lyft and Uber. Follow the signs to Ground Transportation and Baggage Claim. When ready, walk outside and look for “Passenger Pickups” or a designated area labeled “TNC/Rideshares”.
LIVING IN PORTLAND

CLIMATE AND CLOTHING
Portland changes throughout the year, so plan ahead and bring clothing that is appropriate for the weather, including a raincoat or umbrella. You can purchase items in Portland after you arrive. Most students dress informally for class. On campus, slacks, jackets, blouses, jeans and shirts are acceptable.

SUMMER (JUNE–AUGUST): High temperatures are usually between 75–80°F (24–27°C). Bring clothing for hot weather and a light jacket for cooler evenings.

FALL (SEPTEMBER–NOVEMBER): High temperatures are usually between 53–63°F (12–17°C). In October, days tend to be mild and partly sunny. As the weather starts to cool, rain becomes more common. Fall clothing is usually layers and a rain jacket.

WINTER (DECEMBER–FEBRUARY): High temperatures are usually between 45–51°F (7–11°C). By December, temperatures may drop to freezing. We may get snow for a few days. Bring warm clothing and a winter coat. A heavy winter coat in the U.S. will cost approximately $100 to $200, depending on the brand and quality.

SPRING (MARCH–MAY): High temperatures are usually between 56–67°F (13–20°C). Spring days often start rainy and end up with blue skies and sun. Many flowers bloom in early March. Spring clothing is usually layers and a rain jacket.

TELEPHONES AND CALLING HOME
You have many options for keeping in touch with friends and family and accessing the internet. You can have a landline telephone installed in your home with local and long distance service. However, you will probably find it more convenient to sign up for cell (mobile) phone or wireless service. You may also choose to arrange for home internet access, as well as cable TV or satellite. You can save money by going through one company and combining services (usually requires a contract for a year or more). PSU offers free internet access and Wi-Fi to students on campus, as do many cafes in Portland.

MONEY MATTERS
You will need to open an account at a local bank or financial institution to keep your money safe and pay your bills while you are here. Portland has a variety of conventional banks and credit unions from which to choose. Both offer savings accounts, checking accounts and credit card services. You can open a bank account with two forms of photo identification. Financial institutions located near the PSU campus:

• Bank of the West
• Chase Bank
• Key Bank
• Trailhead Credit Union
• Umpqua Bank
• Unitus Community Credit Union
• US Bank
• Wells Fargo Bank
PSU’s Transportation and Parking is here to help make your commute to campus as easy as possible. The Transportation office is here to help you figure out the most convenient and cost effective way for you to get to campus.

Before you decide on one mode, explore your options and maybe try a few things out. PSU offers parking permit options and discounted transit passes to students, to accommodate the needs of students. Contact the transportation office once you’re here to help you plan your route to campus using public transit. The transportation office also operates the PSU Bike Hub, which offers help to new and expert bike commuters.

PSU offers discounted TriMet (light rail) transit passes through Transportation and Parking Services which can save you money each term. **You can also use the Portland Streetcar at no cost—your PSU ID card is valid fare.**

Transportation and Parking Services sells parking permits for the parking garages on campus, and bike parking permits for the bike garages.

PSU students can also use **Biketown bikes for FREE!** Get 90 minutes of ride time per day and unlimited trips.
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION IS MANDATORY

pdx.edu/undergraduate-admissions/international-student-orientation

All new international students are required to attend International Student Orientation on campus, this session is just before the start of the term.

• Before you leave for the United States, sign up for International Student Orientation. Once you sign up for International Student Orientation you will be automatically registered for Online Orientation.

• Complete Online Orientation and register for classes before arriving in the United States. International students are required to complete online orientation and register for classes before arriving in Portland.

If you have questions regarding International Student Orientation, please contact the International Student Life Team at intl-life@pdx.edu or 503-725-8569.

WHAT TO BRING TO ORIENTATION

• Passport
• Local address
• Emergency contact information including telephone number

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MENTORING PROGRAM

You will be assigned a mentor from the International Student Mentor Program when you sign up for Orientation. Mentors are current students who know the campus and will act as a resource for you. Your international student mentor will contact you before the term and you will meet your mentor at International Student Orientation.

IMMIGRATION CHECK-IN

As part of the orientation process, your immigration documents will be reviewed by Portland State staff to make sure everything is in order.
All international students in F-1 visa status and their dependents in F-2 visa status are REQUIRED to be covered by medical insurance. Healthcare in the U.S. is very expensive and health insurance coverage is for your benefit and protection.

pdx.edu/shac/insurance

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN
All PSU F-1 and J-1 students and their dependents are required to be covered by the health insurance plan offered by Portland State University, unless sponsored by a government or other agency which provides a comparable health insurance plan (see Scholarship Sponsored Students section). Do not purchase private medical insurance. It is not necessary and is an added cost to you.

STUDENT HEALTH AND COUNSELING CENTER (SHAC)
Medical visits to SHAC are free for eligible students. You can make appointments with campus doctors, counselors and nurses to get help for a variety of illnesses, including mental health issues such as stress, depression or eating disorders. Campus dentist visits are not free, but are less expensive than the same services off campus. For more information about SHAC visit: pdx.edu/shac.

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENTS
The spouse and children of an F-1 visa holder will have F-2 dependent status. Health insurance coverage is required for all dependents in F-2 visa status. You must enroll your family members in a health insurance program, dependents are not enrolled automatically. For information about enrolling your dependents and payment for this coverage, contact the PSU Insurance Team at 503-725-2495 or insurancehelp@pdx.edu.

COST AND PAYMENT
The cost for PSU health insurance is $875 per term for students for the 2019-20 term. Fee amount is subject to change. You will be automatically enrolled in the PSU Student Health Insurance Plan and billed when you register for classes. Your health insurance bill will be included in your tuition and fees bill.
**SCHOLARSHIP SPONSORED STUDENTS**

Students and their dependents who are sponsored by a government or government agency will not be required to purchase the PSU Health Insurance Plan. Proof of adequate coverage must be submitted through the online waiver system by the end of the second week of classes in the student’s first term of study: [pdx.edu/shac/insurance](http://pdx.edu/shac/insurance)

Do you have government sponsorship and health insurance?

**No:** You will be automatically signed up for PSU Health Insurance and your student account will be charged when you begin classes.

**Yes:** Submit the insurance waiver demonstrating proof of adequate insurance online by the end of the second week of classes. If you do not submit the waiver you will be responsible for paying PSU Health Insurance Plan charges. No exceptions can be made.

**MMR PROOF OF IMMUNIZATION**

All international students are required to show proof of immunization against measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) before starting their first term of classes at PSU. You cannot register for classes until this requirement has been met. Follow the instructions on the SHAC website to meet the requirement: [pdx.edu/shac/measles](http://pdx.edu/shac/measles)

For questions about this requirement, send an email to [measles@pdx.edu](mailto:measles@pdx.edu) or call the MMR information line at 503-725-2800.

**PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS**

If you are taking any prescription medication (including contact lenses and glasses) bring your prescription with you to Portland. This will make getting a refill or renewal easier.
ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

Approximately 3,000 students live in campus housing at Portland State. There are ten buildings with various room types located on campus. The residence halls are convenient and provide support services and an active social atmosphere. Housing fees are billed to your student account and include utilities (water, gas, electricity, phone, and Internet). Meal plans are available at an additional cost (see food section for more information).

Consider living on the Global Village floor where international students are matched with American roommates and there are opportunities to participate in cross-cultural activities. Campus housing fills up quickly, so you are encouraged to sign up early. Freshman applicants who submit a housing contract by the May 1 deadline are guaranteed a space. A $200 deposit is required.

NEAR-CAMPUS HOUSING

College Housing Northwest (chnw.org) provides housing in seven unique apartment buildings, all within walking distance of campus.

HOMESTAYS

Living with a host family is a great way to gain a better understanding of American culture. Homestays are relatively inexpensive and include a private room and meals. Most homes are located near public transportation and it may take 30-60 minutes to get to campus. Homestay placements can be short- or long-term depending on your needs. There are two organizations in Portland that arrange homestays for international students:

- Friends of Overseas Citizens and University Students (FOCUS) fs.elpidzo.menu/homestays
- ANDEO International Homestays andeo.org

PDX has a wide variety of housing options both on and off campus. You may live in a residence hall on campus, rent an apartment or live with a host family. It is recommended that you take some time to research the layout of the city, different housing types, and housing costs before you arrive in Portland. You may choose to make advance arrangements for short-term or temporary housing (such as a homestay), and then look for permanent housing after you arrive in Portland.

pdx.edu/housing. Housing contract deadline: May 1
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING
Off-campus housing offers more choices in terms of location, types of housing and cost. It can be difficult to find affordable rental housing near campus, and you will have to sign a rental agreement or lease.

COSTS
The cost to share an apartment with a roommate starts at about $500 per month per person, not including utilities (water, gas, electricity, etc.). The cost to live alone starts at $800 per month per person and may cost much more than that. Some utilities require setup fees and/or deposits. Most landlords require one-year rental contracts and will expect payment of the first and last month’s rent and a security deposit at the time of rental.

Negotiating a rental contract and signing a housing contract can be confusing and difficult. The PSU Student Legal Services (SLS) office has information about housing agreements and can answer questions about housing contracts and disputes. Before arranging off campus housing, read the SLS “Landlord Tenant Handbook.” Contact SLS for help understanding a housing contract before signing: 503-725-4556 | pdx.edu/sls/contact.

TEMPORARY HOUSING
If you have not secured permanent housing before arriving in Portland, you will need to make arrangements to stay in a hotel or hostel.

HOTELS
PSU operates its own hotel, University Place Hotel, which is walking distance from campus. Reservations can be made by calling 503-221-0140 or 866-845-4647 or by visiting uplacehotel.com. Reserve a room at a hotel before your arrival. If you have arranged to live on campus and your room is not available when you arrive, you can reserve a room at the University Place Hotel for a substantial discount.

HOSTELS
Portland has two welcoming hostels associated with Hostelling International:
- Northwest Portland International Hostel & Guesthouse nwportlandhostel.com
- Portland Hawthorne International Hostel portlandhostel.org
FOOD AND DINING

Campus residents have many options when it comes to dining on campus. The most popular dining commons is Victor’s, which is located on the first floor of the Ondine Residence Hall. Victor’s offers fresh, buffet-style meals. All first year students living on campus are required to register for a meal plan. Learn more: pdx.edu/housing/dining.

Smith’s Kitchen and Smith’s Place are located on the first floor of the Student Union. You will find Portland local favorites here including Peet’s Coffee, Smith Tea and Salt & Straw Ice Cream.

Handcrafted sandwiches from Butcher & Baker are also available, as well as an assortment of made-to-order food! Walk in, bike up and chill out at The Meetro located in King Albert Residence Hall. The Meetro is a culinary celebration of Basha’s Mediterranean Cuisine. You can also hop over to Branford’s Bean and recharge during a study session with Peet’s Coffee and grab-and-go sandwiches and pastries located in the Millar Library. And, of course, our urban location provides endless opportunities for eating at nearby food carts and restaurants.
OFFICIAL RECORDS POLICY

go.pdx.edu/records-policy

Official documents must arrive at Portland State in the original sealed envelope as issued by the originating institution, with an institutional stamp or signature on the closed envelope flap. An official transcript or degree certificate is a verification of your academic record issued in the original language from the original issuing source (for example, college, university, technical school, or secondary school).

Official transcripts or degree certificates issued in languages other than English must be translated into English and submitted to Portland State, along with the original official documents.

The following items are NOT official transcripts or degree certificates:

- A document that arrives at Portland State without an envelope or in an open envelope
- A document that has been authorized by an official notary or government office
- A photocopy of a document
- A translation of a document which is not sent with the original official document
CONTACT US

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Phone: 503-725-3511
800-547-8887, ext. 5-3511 (toll free in the U.S.)
Fax: 503-725-5525

Mail
Send transcripts and other materials that support your application to:

Admissions
Portland State University
PO Box 751
Portland, OR 97207-0751

On Campus
Admissions Welcome Center Hours:
Monday–Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Academic & Student Rec Center (ASRC) 101
1800 SW 6th Avenue

@go2psu