CHECK LIST FOR NEW F-1 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Welcome to Wayne State University!

Before Entering the U.S. all students must:
- Review your I-20 Form for incorrect information.
  - For any corrections to be made to your I-20 Form please contact I20unit@wayne.edu
- Activate your Wayne State University email account at https://academica.aws.wayne.edu/
  - Make sure you check your WSU email account often; this is the official method of communication.
  - Please contact helpdesk@wayne.edu for assistance.
- Complete your I-901 Form at www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/index.htm
  - Pay your SEVIS fee and immediately print out your receipt.
  - You will not be allowed to activate your I-20 Form at the border of entry without this receipt.
  - Fees: The new SEVIS I-901 fees effective October 7, 2008 for F-1 students is $200.00 (USD).
  - Please be aware, at the Port of Entry you may not receive your paper form I-94. If this occurs please visit www.cbp.gov/i94 for instructions to obtain your I-94 print out.
- New commuting Canadian students will need to pay this fee before appearing at the U.S. Port of Entry.
- Make housing arrangements at www.housing.wayne.edu
- Make transportation arrangements from the airport to Wayne State University.

International Students (Non-Canadians) Entering the U.S.:
- You must pay your SEVIS fee before your Visa Appointment at www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/index.htm
- It is important to have your I-901 Form Receipt, your I-20 Form, admission letter, unexpired passport and proof of finances to your Visa Appointment.
- Submit I-901 Form Receipt, get I-20 Form validated by the customs office (small processing fee), take your admission letter, passport.

*If you are in the United States with an immigration status that is not F-1 and you need to do a CHANGE OF STATUS to F-1, you must contact OISS immediately to seek advice about the Change of Status process with USCIS. It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to apply for the Change of Status to F-1. The process takes approximately 4 to 5 months.

Canadian Students Entering the U.S.:
- Take your I-20 Form, I-901 Form Receipt, Bank Statement, Passport and U.S. currency to the U.S. Border.
- Submit the I-901 Form Receipt, get I-20 Form validated by the customs office and obtain I-94 Form (small processing fee).

ALL STUDENTS PLEASE NOTE: You are not permitted to enter the U.S. until 30 days of the program start date.
***NOTE: Once your I-20 Form has been validated, you will be active in the U.S. Immigration System. You must report to OISS immediately for processing (check-in) even if you choose not to attend Wayne State University.***

Arrival on Campus of New Students & Transfer Students:
- Complete OISS physical check-in orientation process:
  - Sign up for check-in orientation at www.oiss.wayne.edu/new-students/check-in.php
Bring all immigration documents to OISS check-in orientation and submit copies of your I-20 Form, I-94 Print out, Passport and Visa.

When your I-20 is validated at the Port of Entry it is very important that you bring your I-20 and a copy of the printed I-94 to the check-in orientation. Your SEVIS record will be terminated and you will lose your visa status if you do not bring these to check-in orientation.

**Failure to complete the check-in process in a timely manner will result in cancellation/termination of your immigration documents(I-20) and Homeland Security will require you to return to you home country.**

At check-in orientation, students who will be living in the U.S. must purchase Wayne State University medical international health insurance. Our current health insurance provider is **AIG Educational Markets**. You may pay your health insurance by semester (Fall: $550.00 Winter: $455.00 Winter/Summer: $751.00 Spring/Summer: $441.00) or you may purchase the annual premium which is $1276.00. F-2 and J-2 Dependents must also be enrolled in the AIG plan. Coverage can be purchased online with a credit or debit card prior to arriving on campus at [www.studentinsurance.com/schools/mi/wayne](http://www.studentinsurance.com/schools/mi/wayne).

Payments made with U.S. Money Orders or Personal Checks can be accepted during check-in.

- Please contact oissinsurance@wayne.edu if you have any questions or concerns regarding health insurance.

***Please reference the AIG website for exact rates, these current rates above are subject to change***

All students must complete the TB testing requirements. The cost to complete the test is $60.00 if you have not purchased the health insurance. If you have purchased the health insurance the cost of the TB test will be waived at the Campus Health Center. You must take the TB test at the Campus Health Center. Contact the Campus Health Center at campushealth@wayne.edu or (313) 577-5041. For more information on TB testing visit [www.health.wayne.edu/nurse-mary/tb-testing](http://www.health.wayne.edu/nurse-mary/tb-testing).

- Campus Health Center Located: 5200 Anthony Wayne Drive, Suite #115, Detroit, Michigan 48202

### Academic Advising:

- Undergraduate Students meet with an academic advisor in the University Advising Center (UAC) on the first floor of the David Adamany Undergraduate Library on the main campus of the university. Advisors at the UAC provide services to the undergraduate students in the College of Fine Arts, Performing & Communicative Arts, Liberal Arts and Sciences and in many pre-professional programs. Please email UAC to obtain any answers you may need at advising@wayne.edu

- Graduate students visit the academic advisor of your degree program within the specific college of your program.

### Tuition Information:

- On your I-20 Form, the school estimates the students average costs for an academic term of 12 months. However, the tuition and fees are subject to change by the WSU Board of Governors and the President. The total tuition and fees amount could be higher than the figure on your I-20 Form. Please contact Students Accounts Receivable for any information at studentservices@wayne.edu

### Reminders:

- Report the change of address (if any) to the OISS online within 10 days of moving. ([www.oiss.wayne.edu](http://www.oiss.wayne.edu))

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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT WSU!**

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Office of International Students & Scholars - Wayne State University  
42 W. Warren, Suite 416 * Detroit, Michigan * (313) 577-3422 * FAX (313) 577-2962
Dear New International Graduate Student,

Welcome to Wayne State University! We are pleased that you selected WSU as your educational destination.

Enclosed is your I-20. Read the checklist carefully and follow the instructions provided. Should you have any questions, contact us immediately. We look forward to welcoming you to Wayne State University.

Please take the time to understand the information listed on your I-20. Unless you are in programs in the Law School, the School of Medicine or the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, the amount we indicate for your average cost of attendance for an academic term of 12 months is based on the following: you will be attending fall and winter terms only and enrolled in 8 credit hours as a full-time graduate student or 4 credit hours as a part-time graduate student. **This I-20 is not to be used as the official cost of your attendance for the entire academic year.** Therefore, if your enrollment exceeds 8 credit hours each term or you are in a program which requires enrollment in more credit hours, you need to adjust the cost of your attendance accordingly. You are encouraged to visit the official Wayne State University Tuition and Fee Schedule is located at: [http://reg.wayne.edu/students/tuition.php](http://reg.wayne.edu/students/tuition.php) subject to change without notice by action of the Wayne State University Board of Governors.

Metropolitan Detroit is a gateway to a culturally diverse city and WSU is located in the heart of Detroit’s cultural center, surrounded by museums, theatres, concert halls, and close to major professional sport venues. Our students enjoy a wide range of support services to ensure their academic and career success. We have over 200 student organizations and a strong cultural social network of students to make you feel comfortable and welcomed.

OISS is here to support and enhance your educational, cultural and social experiences. We collaborate with colleges and departments and the community to create and maintain an inclusive, global campus. Whether it’s a ride to the grocery store, help with your resume, academic support, or assisting you to navigate through the university system, we can make it happen for you.

Please take a moment to navigate our website at [www.oiss.wayne.edu](http://www.oiss.wayne.edu) and let us know how we can help you by contacting us at oissmail@wayne.edu.

You should have already received your official Admission letter through e-mail from our Graduate Admissions Office. If you have not received your new admission letter through your e-mail please contact the Graduate Admissions Office at:

**Admissions Contact Management**

**Tel:** 313-577-GRAD (4723)  
**Fax:** 313-577-0131  
**Address:** 4001 Faculty/Administration Building, 656 Reuther Mall, Detroit, MI 48202  
**Email:** internationalgrad@wayne.edu  
**Web:** [http://gradadmissions.wayne.edu](http://gradadmissions.wayne.edu)

**Application Status Check:**  
[http://admissions.wayne.edu/checkstatus.php](http://admissions.wayne.edu/checkstatus.php)
We look forward to meeting you when you arrive!

Sincerely,

Kelli E. Dixon, PhD
Director
Office of International Students and Scholars
Welcome to Wayne State University! As an International student attending our university, understanding the OISS website will be a very helpful tool on your academic journey. Effective March 2012, the Office of International Students and Scholars is going green! Less bulk and paperwork will be sent to you, and more of your information will be conveniently available on our easy-to-use website! Our website contains the following:

- Your supplemental handouts to understanding your VISA documents
- Sign up for advising
- Health insurance information and forms
- Supplemental forms that you may need
- Campus housing and local events information
- Extracurricular activity dates and schedules
- Fees and scholarship information
- Contact information for our office and for additional resources
- Your documentation status

Along with our website, please ensure that you regularly check your Wayne State University email, as it is the primary email we will send important notices, deadlines, and VISA information to. Students and scholars are responsible for checking their Wayne State email regularly (preferably every day) to confirm their current status. We look forward to your attendance at Wayne State University!

Questions?
Visit our website: [http://www.oiss.wayne.edu](http://www.oiss.wayne.edu), also (search for Wayne State OISS)
**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

If you do not see a last name/surname on your passport (shown above) please correct it before you apply for your visa.

**BE AWARE:**

If you do not correct the last name/surname on your passport you may have issues with obtaining a Social Security (SSN) and Driver’s License when landing in the USA.