



International Student and Scholar Services

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION CHECKLIST

Here is a checklist of the most important things we think you need to do as you start your program at DePaul! You can also always find your ISS advisor and information about our [advising services](#) on our website and click on this link to find the [presentation](#) from your orientation!

GET SETTLED:

- Housing:**
 - If you applied for [on-campus housing](#) and received a housing assignment, then please follow the move-in instructions you have received from the Housing Office. Questions about on-campus housing can be sent to housing@depaul.edu.
 - If you are still looking for [off-campus housing](#), we recommend that you review the resources on our [website](#).
- Health Insurance:** We strongly encourage ALL students to purchase health insurance for the duration of your time in the U.S. All new F-1 students will be automatically enrolled in the DePaul health insurance plan. If you are a J-1 visa holder, then you are legally required to have health insurance. You may choose to use the DePaul plan or another plan. Email iss@depaul.edu with questions.
- Immunizations:** If you have not already submitted your immunization forms online in Campus Connect, please do so or visit DePaul Central (9th Floor, DePaul Center) and submit them in person. If you need immunizations, then you can get them at most local pharmacies (CVS, Walgreens, Target...etc.).

STAY IN STATUS:

- Electronic Legal Document Check-in:** If you received a [SEVIS I-20 or SEVIS DS-2019](#) from DePaul University you must complete an [electronic immigration document check-in](#) with [International Student and Scholar Services \(ISS\)](#) and update your local U.S. address in [Campus Connection](#) within the first week of your arrival on campus. For instructions please click [HERE](#).
- Review Immigration Regulations:** Complete the required [online orientation](#) to ensure you are familiar with your visa regulations. Review additional resources about the regulations for your student visa and how to maintain your status: [F1 Student Regulations](#); [J-1 Student Regulations](#). Questions? Schedule an appointment with your ISS advisor by calling 312-362-8376.
- Update Contact Information:** Log into your Campus Connect account and update your address information. Make sure your PERMANENT address is your international address and that your HOME address is your US address. Also update your EMERGENCY contact information. Keep this current!

BE A SUCCESSFUL STUDENT:

- ❑ **Academic Calendar:** Review important dates on the [academic calendar online](#) – like when exams will take place, when the term ends and much more.
- ❑ **Student ID & U-Pass:** Visit ID Services (DePaul Center, 1 E Jackson, Suite 9200) and request a [student ID](#) and order your [U-Pass](#). Your U-Pass is your student transportation pass, valid on all trains and buses in Chicago. It will work when the university is in session and you are enrolled as a student.
- ❑ **Pay DePaul Bills:** Your DePaul tuition and other fees for this term are all *due now*. You may review your student account online in Campus Connect and pay for your fees there, or you may visit DePaul Central in person to ask questions about your bills and make payments. Here are instructions about [how to make payments at DePaul](#)
- ❑ **Academic Advisor Appointment:** Call or email your academic advisor to schedule an appointment. Review your current course registration; discuss any questions you have about class registration or pre-requisite requirements. Ask your advisor to describe the purpose of academic advising and ways you can work together in planning your academics at DePaul.
- ❑ **Buy Your Books:** DePaul has both a [Lincoln Park Book Store](#) & [Loop Campus Book Store](#)
- ❑ **Find Your Courses on D2L:** <https://d2l.depaul.edu> is the online website where you can find information about all your courses. Log in and read the syllabus for each of your classes, so you can be prepared for your first day of class.
- ❑ **Schedule a Campus Tour:** Look up the campus tour schedule and sign up for a campus tour: <http://www.depaul.edu/about/visit-depaul>

JOIN THE GLOBAL DEPAUL COMMUNITY:

- ❑ Apply to have dinner with other students at a faculty or staff member's home: [MEAL with DePaul](#)
- ❑ Explore Chicago restaurants and have lunch with us at [Bon Appetit](#)
- ❑ Come meet other students at the next [Global Coffee Hour](#)!
- ❑ Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) to learn about new opportunities.