

Arriving to UVA Checklist



✉ PRIOR TO DEPARTING TO THE UNITED STATES

- Make sure your passport is valid for the next 6 months
- Make sure your F-1 or J-1 visa is valid before departing to the United States
- Check [CDC website](#) for travel guidance on COVID-19
- Solidify your travel arrangements from the airport to Charlottesville
 - [Register for AirBus](#) for travel from Washington Dulles International Airport to Charlottesville on August 15
 - Alternative options include [Megabus](#), [Amtrak](#), or flying directly to Charlottesville Albemarle Airport
- Solidify your living arrangements
 - ON-GROUNDS STUDENTS: [Housing and Residence Life, U.Va. \(virginia.edu\)](#)
 - OFF-GROUNDS STUDENTS: [University of Virginia | Off-Campus Housing Search](#)

✉ ARRIVAL: UNITED STATES

- Keep a physical copy of your signed I-20 or DS-2019 on hand.
 - Make sure to sign your I-20 or DS-2019 in wet ink
 - Do not leave your document in check-in luggage
 - Keep physical and electronic copies of your I-20 or DS-2019 in a safe location
- Make sure to declare your entry as a F-1 or J-1 student. **Do not enter on a tourist visa**
- If you experience any issues at Port of Entry, call 434-982-3010

✉ ARRIVAL: CHARLOTTESVILLE

- Complete [Immigration Check-in](#) on [ISSP Connect](#) within 3 days upon your arrival.
 - Use “**Current Student Login**”
- Attend International Student Orientation
 - Undergraduate Orientation: Thursday, August 17 at 2:30 at Clark 108
 - Graduate Orientation: Tuesday, August 15 at 10AM at Minor 125
 - Exchange Student Orientation: Sunday, August 20 at 2PM at Minor 125
- Attend [Global Greeter Events](#)

✉ CHARLOTTESVILLE RESOURCES

- [Banks](#) and [Cell Phone Providers](#)
- [Transportation around UVA](#)
- [Dining Plans](#)

