International Student Orientation and Welcome
Welcome to the International Student Orientation
Reminder!

If you haven’t already done so, please upload your immigration documents later today to the **OGS Online Arrival Form**, which can be found on our website.
Today’s Agenda

1. Overview of the Office of Global Services (OGS)
2. Basic Immigration Requirements
3. Travel
4. Working in the US
5. Safety
6. Academic and Cultural Adjustment
7. Practical Information for Everyday Life in NYC
The OGS provides specialized support to NYU’s international students, scholars, and their dependents. This includes:

- Immigration advising and guidance, both inside and outside the US
- Programs to assist NYU’s global community
How to use the OGS?

Remember to consult the OGS on all immigration matters.
Manhattan Office
383 Lafayette Street, New York, NY 10003

Office Hours
Document drop off / pick up
Regular hours (beginning Sept. 2017):
  Mon, Tues, Fri, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm;
  Wed, Thurs, 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Drop-in Advising Hours
Speak with an advisor in-person
Mon, Tues, Fri, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Wed, and Thurs, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Brooklyn Office
Room 259, 5 MetroTech Center, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Office Hours
Document drop off / pick up at Room 201
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Drop-in Advising Hours
Monday and Wednesday, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
nyu.edu/ogs

Student Visa & Immigration

Registration, Records, and Graduation
Bills, Payments, and Refunds
Housing and Dining
Student Centers and Spaces
Career Development and Jobs
Student Visa & Immigration

Immigration Updates and Events
See the latest emails we’ve sent to international students at NYU.

New International Students: Get Your Arrival Checklist
Dear << Test First Name >>,

This message is the 8th of an email series for new international students (catch up on previous emails if you missed any!). These emails contain very important
Use the CONTACT US link at nyu.edu/ogs
Always visit nyu.edu/ogs to check for current hours
Bring your:

- Passport
- I-94 Record
- I-20 or DS-2019
Basic Immigration Requirements
For F-1 and J-1 Students

NYU | Office of Global Services
Basic immigration requirements

- **Immigration Documents**
- **Enrollment Requirements**
Immigration Documents: I-20 (F-1)
The visa stamp is a permit to enter the United States, but does not determine your length of stay.
Immigration Documents: I-94 record

• F-1 or J-1
• D/S (Duration of Status)
Transfer Student

- No travel signature on temporary (transfer pending) I-20.
- Transfer complete I-20 will be issued 3 weeks from your program start date.
- OGS sends email when your new I-20 is ready.
If you haven’t already, please complete the **OGS Online Arrival Form**, which can be found on our website.
Reminder!

Keep **ALL** immigration related documents with you during your entire study at NYU. You will need these for future internships, employment, transfers and more.
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- Yes, he can stay here legally
- He can show his I-20 and I-94 record, which he must print from the US government website (CBP.gov/I94).
Basic immigration requirements

• Immigration Documents

• Enrollment Requirements
Register full-time each Fall and Spring semester

**Full-time registration** must occur by the last day of Add/Drop per the NYU Academic Calendar: [nyu.edu/registrar/calendars/](http://nyu.edu/registrar/calendars/)
• Very limited circumstances.
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- Yes.
- Always consult with the OGS before dropping below full-time status.
Your Immigration Requirements

- Register full-time
- Update your US address and phone number
- Work only when authorized
- Follow government and university requirements, including SEVIS fee payment
- Ensure that you have the Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) Vaccine
Travel
Minimum documents to carry:

• I-20 or DS-2019 signed for travel
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• Review travel information on OGS website: bit.ly/traveldocuments
Reentering the U.S. after Traveling to Neighboring Countries
Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, Caribbean Islands
Special considerations: Travel, Executive Orders & F-1/J-1 Students

• OGS is here to help and support you in whatever way we can

• Some key things to consider before you seek to reenter the US

• NYU has resources to help you with immigration difficulties you may face during travel or reentry
Key points to remember:

• Make sure you have a valid travel signature
  • on the bottom of page 2 of I-20
  • or bottom right of page 1 of DS-2019
• Role of the visa
• Review travel information on OGS website
Employment & Tax

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Make sure to explore your employment options based on your status as an F-1 or J-1 student. Once you get a job, make sure you get a Social Security Number (if you don't already have one). And don't forget about your tax responsibilities.

On-Campus Employment
Work at NYU as an F-1/J-1 student.

Social Security Number
Once you get a job, make sure you get a Social Security Number (SSN).

Tax
Who needs to file federal or state taxes, when and how.
Employment: the exchange of labor for ANY form of compensation.
Most employment requires some process of authorization.

**Types of Employment**

**On-campus** at NYU

**Off-campus**

must be related to program of study
Working in the US

• On-Campus Employment
• Off-Campus Employment
• Non-Paid Work
How Much Can You Work On Campus?

- Maximum 20 hours per week
- No hourly limit during NYU Vacation Periods
- Different requirements for F-1 and J-1 students
  - J-1 students must visit OGS before starting work
  - J-1 students with another sponsor need authorization from that sponsor
- Contact Wasserman Center for more information
Working in the US

• On-Campus Employment

• **Off-Campus Employment**
  • F-1 Curricular Practical Training (CPT)
  • F-1 Optional Practical Training (OPT)
  • J-1 Academic Training (AT)

• Non-Paid Work
F-1 and J-1 Off-Campus Employment

**F-1 Students Off Campus**

- CPT (Curricular Practical Training)
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  - Pre-Completion
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Working in the US

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- Non-Paid Work
F-1 Students Non-Paid

• Unpaid internships may require CPT authorization
• OPT can be paid or unpaid activity

J-1 Students Non-Paid

• Academic Training authorization is required for any activity in your field of study, paid or unpaid
• On-campus work authorization is required for unpaid or volunteer activity even within NYU
Two Final Topics Related to Employment

**SSN** - Social Security Number

**Taxes**
SSN – Social Security Number

• Only for current work authorization or on campus employment

• Not eligible if unemployed or near employment end date
Taxes

- Must file tax forms every year
- No Social Security or Medicare tax, but may owe other US taxes
- Due yearly on April 15th
- Questions? Visit OGS website or attend OGS tax workshop in March
F-1 and J-1 Employment

- Consult OGS before accepting off-campus employment
- Always **plan ahead** to work
- Attend a workshop on Employment (by OGS and Wasserman)
- Visit the OGS website for more information
Safety at Home in the US: Basic Tips

- Keep doors and windows locked
- Call 911 for life-threatening emergencies
- NYU Wellness Exchange for other safety and any health concerns: 212-443-9999
NYU Public Safety: Tips and Services

- Don’t leave things unattended
- Reporting lost or stolen documents
- NYU Safe Ride service
  - Transloc Rider App (available via app store)
  - Call 212-998-RIDE (212-998-7433)
- NYU Public Safety (212-998-2222) vs. NYPD(Police)/FDNY(Fire) (911)
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- The S.P.A.C.E.
  - Sexual-misconduct Prevention, Assistance, Counseling, & Education
  - 726 Broadway, 4th floor (212-998-4780)
  - 6 Metro Tech Center (646-997-3456)
Safety in the City: Avoid Common Mishaps

- Panhandlers
- Alcohol and Drugs
- Sexual Harassment / Misreading Relationship Cues
- Trespassing / Illegal Presence
- Any Interaction with Police or other Law Enforcement

*Any official interaction with the police can impact your immigration status, your visa, or your future reentry to the U.S.*

*Always contact OGS if you have any questions.*
Online and Phone Safety: Tips to Avoid Scams
Your Academic Success at NYU

NYU Office of Global Services
• Nini was a freshman but chose to take an upper level course during her first semester. She didn’t know how to cite sources or write a proper essay so she asked a Senior for help.

• Nini used content from Wikipedia for a paper and submitted it to the professor.

• She received an F on the paper. The professor reported her to the dean and recommended suspension due to plagiarism.
Based on Nini’s Story: What would you have done differently?
NYU is a big place:
Who do you go to for help?

• OGS works with all students
• University offices and NYU schools run independently
Academic Advising: the What, When, and How
What to Do When Meeting with an Academic Advisor
In the Classroom

What do you wear to class?
What should you bring to class?
How do you address your professor?
Teacher-Centered Approach vs. Learner-Centered Approach

• Teacher-Centered Approach
  • The teacher's role is to push information out

• Learner-Centered approach
  • Participation may count toward final grade

• Safe learning environment
The Syllabus: Why It’s Important
Plagiarism and Cheating

What is plagiarism?

What happens if you plagiarize?

Things to watch out for when citing others’ work in your assignments:

- Paraphrasing
- Self-plagiarism
Tips to Avoid Plagiarism

• Understand the rules of citation style required for course
• Be careful with paraphrasing
• Be careful with group collaborations
• Know your professor’s expectations
• Take the Wagner Academic Code Quiz to test your knowledge
• Refer to NYU Library Citation Style Guide
• Use a citation tool
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Feeling Sick?
• Consult academic advisor to help choose the right classes
• Take a writing course or visit a writing tutor
• Use the plagiarism test resource
A Brief Introduction to Cultural Adjustment
What is Culture?

“A framework of behaviors, values, assumptions, and experiences shared by a group”

“A set of shared problem-solving mechanisms”
Common Responses to Entering a New Culture

Let’s look at some common aspects of culture that may cause you to respond in these ways
Some Common Aspects of Culture That May Cause “Cultural Adjustment Stress”

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- Body language / Personal Space
Stages of Transition: The U-Curve

A. The Honeymoon Stage

B. The Hostility Stage

“Hard Times”

C. The Humor Stage

D. The Home Stage

LEVEL OF SATISFACTION

High

Low

Arrival

Return

TIME
Cultural Adjustment: The Recurring U-Curve

- **Arrival**
- The Honeymoon stage
- The Home Stage
- The Hostility Stage
- The Humor Stage
Cultural Adjustment: The Recurring U-Curve
Cultural Transition: Helpful Attitudes and Reactions

Cultural Adjustment

Approaching Differences

Approach
- Personal Entry Posture

The Inevitables
- Facts of Cross-Cultural Living

Cultural Differences
- Openness
- Acceptance
- Trust
- Adaptable

Suspicion
- Fear
- Superiority
- Prejudice

Dissonance
- Frustration
- Misunderstanding
- Confusion
- Tension
- Embarrassment
- Aggression

Response
- Personal Coping Skills

Observe
- Inquire
- Listen
- Initiate

Criticize
- Rationalize
- Isolate Self

Result
- Understanding
- Empathy
- Deepening Relationships

- Alienation
- Withdrawal
- Broken Relationships

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Third Culture Kid (TCK)

A third culture kid is an individual who, having spent a significant part of their developmental years in a culture other than their parents’ home culture, develops a sense of relationship to all of the cultures, while not having full ownership in any.

-David C. Pollock
Third Culture Kids: Growing up among Worlds
Thank you!

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