Incoming Exchange Student Pre-Arrival Webinar

October 30, 2024

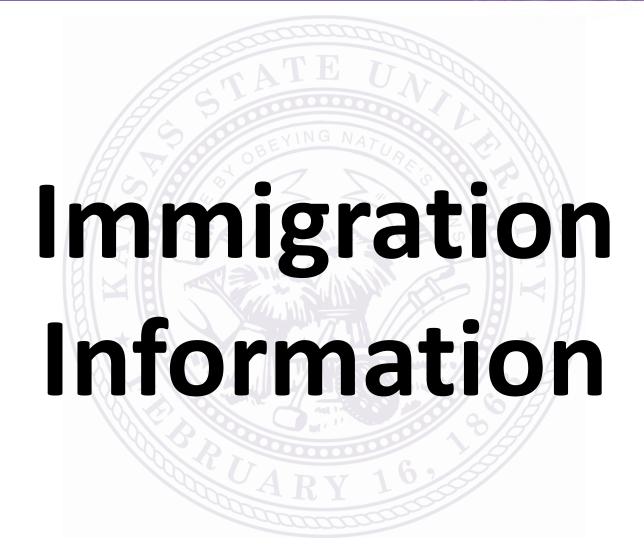
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Order of Events

- Immigration Information
 - What to expect at the visa interview
- Navigating your KSU Accounts
 - Exchange Profile vs. KSU online accounts
- Course Enrollment and Housing
 - Information about enrollment and housing options
- COVID-19 Information
 - Entry requirements
- Campus Life
 - How to get involved, things to do in Manhattan and on campus
- Arrival and Orientation
 - What to expect when you get to Manhattan





"I've Received my admission documents...now what?"



- Double check that your documents are correct
- Review I-20/DS-2019 and admission letter
- Confirm the information is correct
- Sign and date your I-20/DS-2019



Visa

- Visa only issued outside of the U.S.
- Visa allows you to enter the U.S. legally
- Visa does not allow you to stay in the U.S.
 - -This document can expire while you are in the U.S. as long as you are maintaining status.





I-20

- Verify all personal information
- Be aware of program end date.
- Travel signature on page 2 if you plan to travel outside the U.S. and return.

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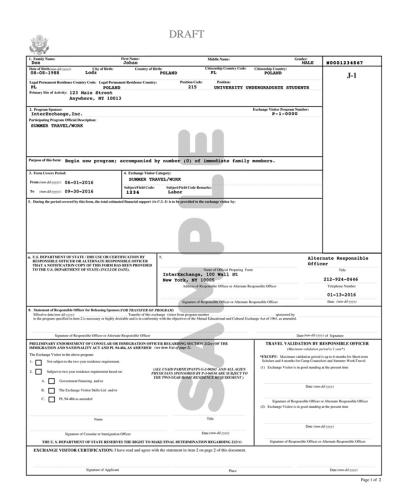
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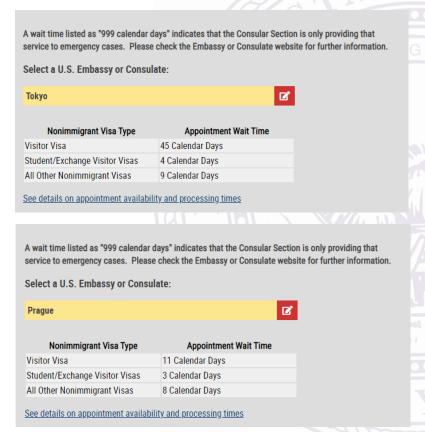
DS-2019

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Before Scheduling your Visa Interview



Check the appointment and processing wait time at your embassy/consulate

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/wait-times.html



Before you Schedule Your Visa Interview

- Pay your SEVIS I-901 Fee
 - This fee is mandatory for non-immigrant students
 - The fee must be paid at least three (3) business days before your scheduled visa appointment
 - You may pay the fee at: www.fmjfee.com
- Apply for DS-160 non-immigrant visa
 - Pay U.S. Department of State visa application and processing fee at:
 - https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/
 - Print the bar-coded DS-160 confirmation page for your upcoming interview



Scheduling your Visa Interview

- Schedule your interview at the nearest U.S. Consulate or Embassy
 - To find the nearest consulate or embassy, visit: www.usembassy.gov
- Remember to take the following items with you to your interview:
 - I-20/DS-2019
 - Bar-coded DS-160 confirmation page
 - Payment confirmation of SEVIS I-901 fee
 - K-State Admission Letter
 - Anything provided to KSU during application process (affidavit, bank, etc.)



What to Expect During the Visa Interview...



- Each Embassy/Consulate has its own interview procedure
 - Check the procedures at your consulate/embassy prior to your interview
- Biometric data collection
- Interview with Consular Office
- Establishing "non-immigrant intent"
- Passport delivery



Plan Your Travel to the U.S.

Read the checklist!

https://www.k-

state.edu/admissions/undergrad/manhattan/enroll/admit ted-checklists/international/



- The official arrival date for K-State is January 10, 2025
 - You must arrive in the U.S. no later than this date.
 - You must be on campus by 8:00AM January 13, 2025
- You may arrive in the U.S. up to thirty (30) days before the official arrival date stated on your I-20/DS-2019
 - You may not arrive any earlier than 30 days prior
 - International Student Orientation starts on January 13,2025

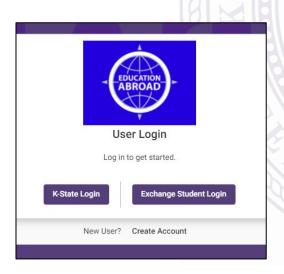


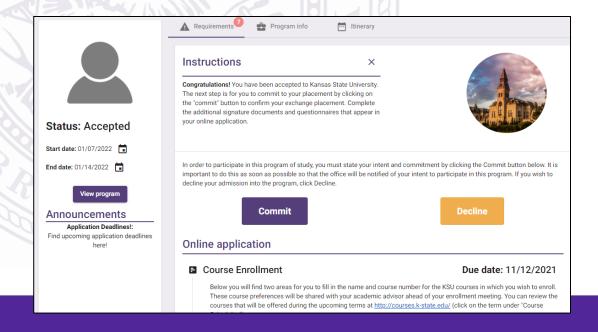
Navigating your KSU Accounts



Exchange Student Profile

- Login using the "Exchange Student Login"
- Complete the requirements in your profile
- NOT linked to your eID and password

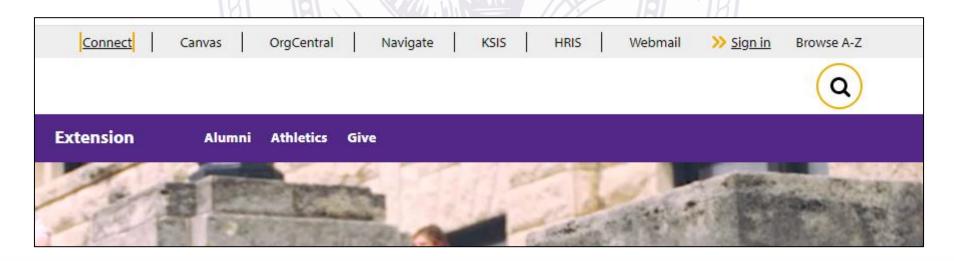






K-State Online Services

- Sign in using your eID and password that you created when you started your application
- Use for KSU email and other online services (email, housing application, etc.)





Pre-Arrival Checklist

- Admitted Student Checklist
- Prepare for Visa Interview
- Apply for on campus housing
- Plan travel to Manhattan

Admitted international checklist

The checklist and links below will help you stay on task.



To get your I-20: Submit Affidavit of Financial Support and Bank Statement

Student visa document regulations require proof that the student/sponsor has the financial capability to pay for one academic year at K-State. Download and fill out the <u>Affidavit of Financial Support and Bank Statement (pdf)</u>.

Send pdf copies of your application materials to international@k-state.edu.



Course Enrollment & Housing



Class Registration

- Enroll in virtual <u>New</u>
 <u>Student Orientation</u>
- The orientation fee is covered by the exchange
- Virtual advising appointment with an advisor in November





Housing Options at K-State

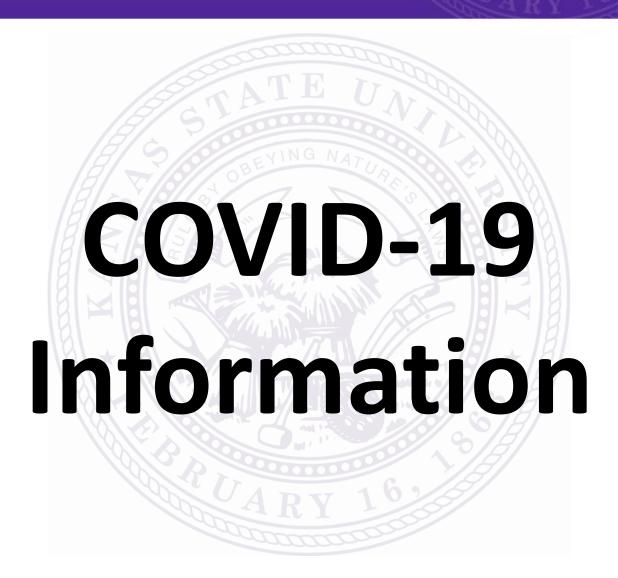
- All students are guaranteed on-campus housing
- Complete your Housing Contract early via Resident Portal
 - www.housing.ksu.edu
- Housing costs vary depending which option you choose
- Enroll in Direct Deposit for potential housing deposit refunds



Dining Options at K-State

- Residence Halls (required)
 - Weekly 12 Meal Plan (\$2,295)
 - All Access Meal Plan (\$2,685)
- Hybrid Apartments (optional)
 - Jardine 50 (\$595)
 - Jardine 100 (\$1,155)
 - Jardine All Access (\$2,685)





U.S. Entry Requirements and Kansas Department of Health and Environment

- As of May 12, 2023, proof of COVID Vaccination is NO longer required for entry into the U.S.
- Kansas Department of Health and Environment refer to <u>CDC guidelines</u> regarding exposure to COVID-19 and if you are sick.
- Consider travel insurance for possible lastminute changes to itinerary



Riley County and K-State Information

 Refer to <u>k-state.edu/covid-19</u> for the most upto-date COVID-19 guidance from Kansas State University











Where is K-State?

- Manhattan is located:
 - 1 hour from Topeka (Kansas capital)
 - 2 hours from Kansas City
 - 6 hours from St. Louis
 - 8 hours from Denver
- You can fly direct from Manhattan to Dallas and Chicago



K-State Quick Facts

- 21,000+ students
- 1,500+ international students, scholars and dependents
- ~20 exchange students
- 19:1 student to faculty ratio
- 475 student clubs and organizations
- 250 undergraduate programs





Getting Involved!



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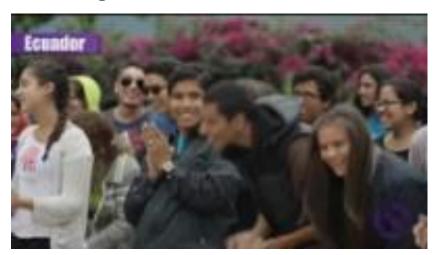




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K-State Campus







Life in the Little Apple

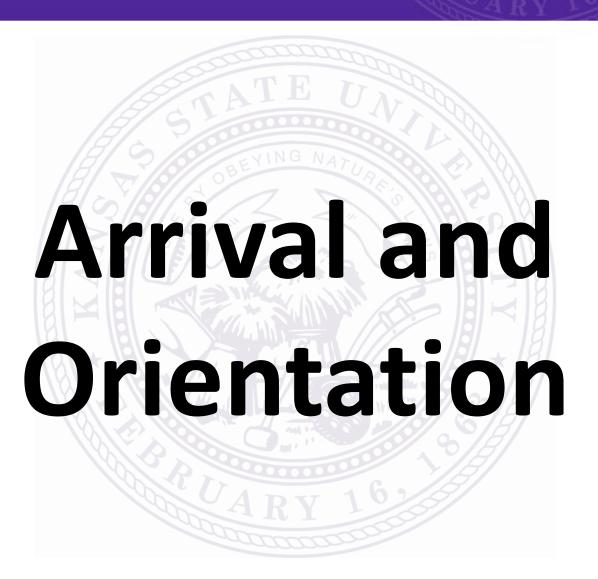
- 54,000 full-time residents
 - Plus, nearly 21,000 students
- Four distinct seasons
- Lots of activities for campus and community
- Public transportation available
- Very bike-able city- Green Apple bikes
- Variety of grocery stores
- Close to the Konza prairie











Getting to Campus



- From Manhattan Regional Airport (MHK)
 - 8 miles (12.5km) from K-State campus
 - Currently coordinating an airport shuttle
 - Uber, taxi services, and buses are also available
- From Kansas City International Airport (MCI)
 - 133 miles (215km) from K-State campus
 - Students must find their own way to campus
 - More information about shuttle companies on arrival checklist



New International Student Check-in

When you arrive to Manhattan

You must report your arrival to Kansas State University with ISSS.

To complete the reporting requirements and check-in with ISSS:

- Have your immigration documents scanned and saved for uploading purposes. Documents include passport (pages with photo and expiration date), I-94 (https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home), I-20 or DS-2019.
- Know the U.S. address where you will be currently staying at, even if it is a temporary address.
- Complete the Check-In survey available on the ISSS website and upload the requested documents. You will then receive further information with a checklist of next steps.



New International Student Orientation

- As a new international student at Kansas State University, you are required to participate in the New International Student Orientation hosted by ISSS.
- Virtual Orientation: After you have completed your ISSS Check-in survey, you will receive an email invitation to your K-State email for the ISSS orientation course in Canvas. Completing this course is mandatory and should be done before the in-person Orientation.
- In-person Orientation: You are required to participate in the Spring 2025 in-person Orientation starting on January 13, 2025, at 8:00 am in Umberger Hall, Room 105. We will have events scheduled for you throughout the week.



What to Expect During Orientation

- An introduction to services offered to students at K-State
- Exchange student session
- An opportunity to learn about clubs and organizations at K-State
- Mix of virtual and in person activities







Please contact us with questions!

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Thank you for attending!

