



Pre-Departure Guide

for newly-admitted international students



Welcome

Dear Students,

The staff in International Student & Faculty Services (ISFS) congratulates you on your admission to Oregon State University! This brochure contains important information you will need to know as you prepare for your journey to Oregon State and Corvallis, Oregon.

Whether you are a newly-admitted freshman, transfer, post-baccalaureate, graduate or non-degree exchange student, we want to welcome you to Oregon State University. The next several pages include a variety of important information. Where relevant, please be sure to visit our Web site for the most up-to-date and detailed information.

See you soon,
The International Student and Faculty Services Team

This brochure is intended for the following types of international students:

- Bachelor's
- Master's
- PhD
- Professional
- Exchange Students (non-degree)

If you will enroll in General English, Academic English or a Pathways Program for your first term at OSU, please refer to the INTO OSU Pre-Departure Guide or go to blogs.oregonstate.edu/intoosu/pdg/.

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Meet the International Student and Faculty Services Team



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International Student and Faculty Services

Located on the 1st floor of Kerr and the 4th floor of Snell Hall, International Student and Faculty Services (ISFS) provides a wide range of programs and services for more than 1,400 international students and 450 international scholars on the OSU campus.

The staff offers orientation and advising on a wide range of topics including immigration and governmental regulations, medical insurance, scholarships and sponsorship, employment and practical training, cultural, personal and re-entry issues, and also serves as a resource for the community and the university on cross-cultural awareness and concerns.

The following offices also offer assistance to newly arriving international students:

INTO OSU

Soon to be located in the new Living Learning Center (opens fall 2011), INTO Oregon State University offers both general and academic English programs at all levels as well as a number of undergraduate and graduate pathway programs designed to better prepare international students aiming to pursue a degree at OSU. INTO OSU also facilitates an expanding array of trips, activities and services that enhance the experience of international students enrolled in its programs.

International Degree and Education Abroad (IDEA)/OUS Study Abroad

Located on the 4th floor of Snell Hall, IDEA and OUS Study Abroad offer programs for students and faculty who wish to study, conduct research or participate in internships abroad. International exchange students are frequently assisted by these two offices. IDEA also oversees the International Degree Program, which is open to all undergraduate students in combination with a primary major.

Before You Leave

Checklist - All students

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	As you prepare to join OSU:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Let us know that you are coming! To confirm your intent to attend OSU, please complete the short survey found here: infosu.oregonstate.edu/login (requires your OSU ID and date of birth indicated as MMDDYY)
	If you need an F-1 or J-1 visa (please refer to pages 6 & 7):
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review the visa application instructions on the website of the nearest US embassy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pay the SEVIS I-901 Fee and print your receipt
<input type="checkbox"/>	Schedule your appointment and submit your visa application (Form DS-160)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Activate your OSU ONID email account - oregonstate.edu/helpdocs (select ONID Account > Getting Started)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete the OSU Immunization Documentation Form (see page 8)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete the OSU International Student Health Information Form (see page 8)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make travel arrangements to arrive in Corvallis at least one day before the New International Student Orientation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchase short-term travel insurance for yourself and any family members accompanying you
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make an advance reservation with Hut Airport Shuttle (if needed)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apply for short-term housing (if you plan to arrive early or plan to live off campus)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bring enough cash in U.S. dollars to cover expenses for your first few days, \$200-\$300.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bring a copy of ALL prescriptions for medicines, eyeglasses, and contact lenses with you to the U.S.



Checklist - Undergraduate (degree-seeking)

Non-degree exchange students please refer to the enclosed letter.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Pay the Advance Tuition Deposit (\$200) Online
<input type="checkbox"/>	Register for START (orientation, advising and registration program) FALL ONLY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you are currently in the U.S. or will be in the U.S. during June, July or August, register for a START session online If you are currently outside the U.S. and will be entering the U.S. for the first time as an F-1 visa, additional information will be sent to you in May regarding an online START session and registration. If you are conditionally-admitted, you do not need to register for START.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Request to have your official documents and test scores to the Office of International Admissions if still needed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apply for on-campus housing online (recommended but not required)

Checklist - Graduate (degree-seeking)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check the Graduate School website for Graduate School Orientation information (fall only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check your Department's website for orientation information
<input type="checkbox"/>	Request to have your official documents and test scores sent to the Graduate School if still needed
<input type="checkbox"/>	If desired, apply for on campus housing online



Visa and Immigration Information

Acquiring an F-1 or J-1 Student Visa

If you are a newly-admitted international student currently outside the U.S., you should receive a Certificate of Eligibility (I-20 or DS-2019) that allows you to apply for either the F-1 student visa or the J-1 exchange visitor visa.

Please refer to the following websites to learn more about the visa application procedures, including forms and fees, and approximate wait times:

- travel.state.gov/visa/temp/types/types_1268.html
- travel.state.gov/visa/temp/wait/tempvisitors_wait.php
- usembassy.gov/

SEVIS I-901 Fee

The first step in the student visa application process is payment of the SEVIS fee.

1. Obtain your I-20 or DS-2019 and note the SEVIS ID number found at the top right-hand side of your form. (OSU School Code is P00214F00002000 on

- the I-20 and P-1-00480 on the DS-2019)
2. Go to the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) I-901 Fee Web site at fmjfee.com/i901fee
3. Complete the Form I-901 and pay the I-901 fee with either a credit card or debit card.
4. Print your SEVIS I-901 receipt and bring it with you to your visa interview at the U.S. embassy or consulate.

For more information about the Form I-901 form, visit www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/.

Canadian citizens: If you will attend OSU in F-1 or J-1 visa status, you are required to pay the SEVIS fee and present the receipt at the U.S. port of entry; however, you do not need to apply for a visa stamp at a U.S. embassy or consulate.

Entering the U.S.

As an initial F-1 or J-1 student, you will be allowed to enter the U.S. no earlier than 30 days before the program start date listed on item #5 of your I-20 or box #3 of your DS-2019. To enter the U.S., you should have your

- 1) original I-20 or DS-2019
- 2) a valid passport
- 3) a valid F-1 or J-1 visa
- 4) proof of SEVIS fee payment and
- 5) evidence of finances for your first year of studies

For information about preparing for arrival at a U.S. port of entry, visit

- www.ice.gov/sevis/factsheet/100104ent_stdnt_fs.htm

SEVIS Transfer Students

F-1 and J-1 visa holders coming to OSU from another U.S. college, university or language school (other than

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INTO OSU) must complete an immigration transfer to OSU within the first two weeks of class. Failure to complete the SEVIS transfer process may result in a violation of one's F-1 or J-1 status.

To initiate your SEVIS I-20 transfer, please refer to the "Transfer In" form enclosed with your admission packet. Please complete the first section and forward it to the international student advisor at your current or previous school. F-1 students must request the release no later than 60 days (30 days for J-1's) following completion of one's program of study or following the end of one's authorization for Optional Practical Training (OPT) or Academic Training in the case of J-1's.

If you plan to travel outside the U.S. before beginning your first term at Oregon State, please indicate that you will need the OSU I-20 or DS-2019 for re-entry purposes. Important: Do not use your previous school's I-20 or DS-2019 for re-entry into the U.S.

INTO OSU (non-degree seeking) to OSU (degree-seeking)

If you previously enrolled in INTO OSU's Academic English or Pathways program, and now have gained admission to an OSU degree program, you must

request a new OSU I-20 from ISFS that reflects your new OSU program of study and major to which you are admitted.

Bringing Dependents

For information about how to bring your spouse and/or children on an F-2 or J-2 dependent visa, visit oregonstate.edu/international/atosu. Please note that F-2 visa holders are not allowed to work or pursue a degree program.

Visa Delays

If you are unable to obtain a visa before the start of the term for which you have been admitted, please contact OSU's Office of International Admissions (intladmit@oregonstate.edu) or the Graduate School (graduate.admissions@oregonstate.edu) and request to defer your admission to a future term.

Questions?

If you have questions about your particular visa status or situation, please contact an OSU international student advisor at isfs.advisor@oregonstate.edu or +1-541-737-6310.



Immunization Requirements and Health Insurance

Oregon State University cares about the health and well-being of students and recognizes that staying healthy is vital to a successful academic experience. OSU has the following health requirements for international students:

- Immunization documentation for measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) prior to attending classes. The student must have either:
- Complete records of two doses of MMR administered on or after the first birthday and 28 days apart, or
- One dose of MMR received within the 30 days prior to attendance, which allows the student in the first term on campus to receive the second dose.

Please prepare for this in advance and bring the required documentation showing proof of vaccination (including any needed translation). This documentation can be sent to Student Health Services via mail, e-mail or fax.

For more information about these requirements or to send documentation, visit:
studenthealth.oregonstate.edu/international-student-immunization-requirements

“Patient Portal”

The Patient Portal feature allows new students to complete and submit the International Student Health Form online:

studenthealth.oregonstate.edu/patient-portal
(requires your OSU ID)

Health insurance

Oregon State University and Oregon state law requires all international students on F-1 and J-1 visas and their accompanying dependents to maintain medical insurance coverage throughout their stay in the United

States. Because medical care in the U.S. is very expensive, purchasing good medical insurance is the only way to protect yourself and your dependents against the high costs of unexpected medical emergencies. You are also advised to purchase a short-term travel insurance policy to cover you during your travel to the U.S. and during your initial month.

In most cases, students need to enroll in either the OSU International Student Health Insurance Plan or the Graduate Assistant Employee Plan (available to graduate students who hold assistantships). Enrollment deadlines and details about both plans (including the estimated cost per term) are available on the OSU Student Health Services Web site: studenthealth.oregonstate.edu/internationalplan

Printed information is also available at the International Student Orientation. In rare instances, students can be waived of the OSU insurance requirement if they can show proof of equivalent or greater health insurance coverage from a private insurer. Before buying alternate health insurance, please consult the OSU Student Health Insurance liaison by e-mail at OSUStudent.Insurance@oregonstate.edu or by telephone at +1-541-737-7568. If an alternate health insurance plan is approved by Student Health Services, a waiver request form must be filed with Student Health Services prior to the waiver deadline.



Weather

Summer and fall in Oregon are generally sunny and warm. It can get hot during the day (75–95F/24–32C) but cools down in the evening (50–60F/10–15C). Winter and spring bring lots of rain, and occasionally snow. Temperatures range between 50F/10C and 30F/–1C. It is VERY important to have a good raincoat and an umbrella. You can purchase these items after you arrive.

Dress

Most students at Oregon State University dress very casually. There is no official dress code. There are many wonderful opportunities for international students to share their culture on campus during festivals and special events such as: fashion shows, international dinners, cultural exhibits, and talent shows. Please consider bringing your national dress, or other clothes associated with a hobby or sport you enjoy in your home country.

Food

There are opportunities to cook for friends in the residence halls and for special events on campus. Many spices and food items from other countries can be found in Corvallis.

Driving

If you would like to drive a car while you are in the U.S.:

- You must bring your driver's license from your home country.
- Please also obtain an International Driving Permit from your home country.
- You should carry both of these documents with you when you are driving in the U.S.

If you would like to drive regularly while living in the

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U.S. you will need to obtain a U.S. Driver's License. To do this, you will need to contact the Corvallis Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), which you can learn more about online at oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/offices/corvallis.shtml.

For more information on buying a car and driving, please visit the International Programs page of the OSU website: oregonstate.edu/international/atosu/resources/transportation/cars.

Cash

You should not carry large sums of cash with you. However, plan to carry some smaller bills and change with you when you first arrive in the U.S. for food, phone calls, and other inexpensive purchases. If you need cash you can use a Plus, Cirrus, Interlink, or Star Network bank card to make a cash withdrawal. ATMs are located in the airport, on the OSU campus, and around Corvallis.

Bank Accounts

When you arrive in Corvallis, you will need to open checking and/or savings account(s) with a bank. You usually need two pieces of picture identification (passport and student ID card), your local mailing address, and money to open an account.

More information is available on the International Programs page of the OSU website: oregonstate.edu/international/atosu/resources/banking.



Housing and Dining

There are many options for long-term housing in Corvallis, both on and off campus. A recent increase in the student body has made housing quite limited, so please apply ahead of time if you plan to live on campus. If you do not want to live on campus you are responsible for securing a place to live. We suggest you should arrive in Corvallis up to 30 days early with temporary housing arrangements already made.

On-Campus Housing

If you wish to live in an OSU residence hall (dormitory), please refer to oregonstate.edu/uhds/ to gain valuable information regarding housing and dining options at Oregon State University.

The OSU online Housing Application system requires that you activate your OSU Network ID known as "ONID" first, then complete the application. Detailed instructions about how to sign up for your ONID account are found



here: oregonstate.edu/helpdocs/onid-osu-network-id/getting-started/onid-sign-instructions

Be sure to complete your online application as soon as possible, as space can be limited: oregonstate.edu/uhds/apply/

If requested, University Housing and Dining Services (UHDS) staff make an intentional effort to assign international students with an American roommate. After you apply and have selected your room, you should receive an email to your ONID account from UHDS with your hall and room assignment. You may also check your MyUHDS account to see your assignment information. Please direct all questions about on-campus housing to UHDS via phone (+1-541-737-4771), email (UHDS@oregonstate.edu), or by visiting their Web site at oregonstate.edu/uhds.

If you have a contract for on-campus housing, you can generally move in to your residence hall on the Sunday before new term classes begin and on the Sunday before CONNECT Week (week of orientation activities) for fall term.

Meal Plans

When you reserved your accommodations, you also selected one of the meal plans. The cost of your selected meal plan will be loaded onto your OSU ID card, which then acts as a debit card. Meals are served in one of OSU's three primary dining centers. Bring your OSU ID card with you to the dining center and use it to pay each time you dine. This payment method will also work at the many other food locations around campus. For information about dining services, including hours of operation, please visit: oregonstate.edu/uhds/dining/.

Additionally, the residence halls have a shared

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kitchen, which allows you to cook what you want from time to time, just for yourself, or to share with a group of friends.

For those living in the residence halls, your room will generally be available the weekend before your program starts. If you arrive before the assigned move-in date for your program, you will need to make temporary arrangements to stay in a hotel until you can move into the residence hall.

Off-Campus Housing

If you want to rent an apartment or house, you should arrive at least one week early. However, off-campus housing is also limited in Corvallis. You should plan ahead by using the following resources to find housing arrangements.

A very popular source for housing listings is **Craigslist** (corvallis.craigslist.org/). Hundreds of Corvallis listings are available on Craigslist.

Apartments, houses, and rooms for rent are often advertised in the local newspaper, the **Corvallis Gazette-Times**, which you can find online at gazettetimes.com/admarket/rentals.

The OSU student-run newspaper, The Daily Barometer, publishes a **Corvallis Area Renter's Guide**, which you may access online at barometer.orst.edu. This guide (in the left sidebar towards the bottom) contains information on many of the major rental property managers and many apartment complexes in Corvallis. Printed copies are also available after you arrive.

More housing information is available on the International Programs page of the OSU website: oregonstate.edu/international/atosu/resources/housing.

If you plan to live off campus, bring enough money to cover the cost of making all the necessary arrangements. This could include first and last months' rent, security deposit, utility deposits for gas, electric and telephone, and the first month's utility bills. These deposits and rent can cost anywhere from \$1,000 to \$1,800 or more. There may also be expenses for household items (furniture, kitchen appliances, etc.). In addition, you should budget for a hotel and other temporary housing for at least your first week in Corvallis.

If you live too far from campus to walk, students can show their OSU ID card and ride city buses for free!

OSU Homestay Program

UHDS also offers homestays for new international students, for one or more terms, with hosts in the community. The Homestay Application Form can be found at - oregonstate.edu/uhds/forms/homestay-app.php. For more information such as the options and cost, contact the OSU Homestay Program Coordinator at homestay@oregonstate.edu.



Registering for Classes

Undergraduate Students

New undergraduate students are required to complete the Advance Tuition Deposit form and pay the Advance Tuition Deposit of US\$200.

The ATD applies to all terms and allows us to create your student account and make plans for your arrival. When you arrive on campus, your \$200 deposit can be applied to your tuition or any account balance.

Fall Term students, who are fully admitted, are also required to participate in a START session (new student orientation, advising and registration program) that takes place during the summer prior to fall term.

If you are outside the U.S., you will receive instructions by email as to how you can participate remotely. If you are currently in the U.S., we encourage you to register for one of the START sessions that will take place on campus during the summer.

Conditionally admitted students will receive advising and registration instructions at the Conditional Admission Orientation.

* As of May 2, 2011 your Fall deposit is non-refundable. For all other terms, the ATD is refundable up to three weeks before the start of the term.

Undergraduate Academic Transfers

If you have studied previously at a college or university, be sure to submit your official transcripts and pay the Advance Tuition Deposit. Upon receipt of both items, OSU's Office of International Admissions will begin the review of your transcripts for credit transfer. Students are generally notified of their advance standing via e-mail within four to eight weeks. For more information

about the transfer credit process, go to oregonstate.edu/admissions/transfer/advstanding.html.

Undergraduate Registration Requirements

Undergraduate students (bachelor's, postbaccalaureate and nondegree undergraduates) must be enrolled for and complete a minimum of 12 credits each term. Students in the Conditional Admissions Program (CAP) must follow the registration requirements of the program.

Graduate students

New students must report to their Graduate Department and meet with their Graduate Advisor before registering for their first term.

Graduate students (master's, doctorate and nondegree graduates) must register for and complete a minimum of 9 credits each term. Graduate students who have a graduate assistantship must register for 12 credits during the academic year (some departments require more).

Note: graduate students are not required to pay the ATD nor sign up for a START session.

Conditionally Admitted Students (Undergraduate & Graduate)

The Conditional Admission Program (CAP) is for students who have not yet met OSU's English language requirements: The CAP Coordinator will send you additional information that describes the conditional admission orientation, tuition and fees, and important dates. If you have any questions, contact the CAP Coordinator at isfs.advisor@oregonstate.edu.

Exchange Students (Non-degree)

Contact the academic advisor(s) in the department(s) of

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interest for advising and registration. Visit catalog.oregonstate.edu and enter "advising" into search field.

Note: Exchange students are not required to pay the ATD nor sign up for a START session.

All Students

Note: Students who want to drop below a full-course of study must first obtain approval from an international student adviser. Audits and withdrawals do not count toward full-time enrollment. Please note that if you wait to register for classes until after the first day of the term, you will incur a late registration fee of \$50.

OSU Catalog

- catalog.oregonstate.edu/

Undergraduate Handbook

- oregonstate.edu/registrar/pdf/pdf/OSURegistrationInformationHandbook2011-2012.pdf

Schedule of Classes Searcher

- catalog.oregonstate.edu/SOCSearcher.aspx

Tuition, fees and payment information

Within 1-2 days after you successfully register for your first term at Oregon State, you will receive an electronic statement showing the cost of tuition and fees for your first term, including health insurance premium charges. Payment of tuition and fees can be made by credit card, bank draft, traveler's checks or bank wire to OSU's Business Affairs Office and should be paid within 30 days of the beginning of classes. Please note that credit card payments involve a \$40 surcharge. Any unpaid balance remaining after the first of each month is subject to an

interest charge of one percent per month.

For detailed information regarding tuition and fees, visit oregonstate.edu/fa/businessaffairs/studentfinance/tuition/tuition_info.



Reaching Corvallis

Airport transportation

Portland International Airport (PDX) is located about 145 km from Corvallis. Hut Airport Shuttle makes daily trips from Portland to Corvallis, with drop-offs at the OSU Memorial Union and Hilton Garden Inn near campus. The one-way student fare is \$44 (fees may change). Advance reservations are required. Contact Hut Airport Shuttle by phone at 1-541-926-2525 or make a reservation online at portlandairportshuttle.com.

Short-term housing

If you will need a temporary place to stay once you arrive in Corvallis, it is best to make reservations for short term housing before you arrive. Your options include:

Three-day home stay: If you are interested in staying with a Corvallis family for your first three nights, complete a home stay application and submit it to Crossroads International at crossroads.homestay@gmail.com. Applications and deadlines can be found

online at oregonstate.edu/international/crossroads/programs. Fall term applications are usually due Aug. 1, but check the website for details.

Motels: Most motels in Corvallis are about 1-4 kilometers from campus. For a complete listing of

Corvallis accommodations, refer to the Corvallis Convention and Visitors Bureau Web site at visitcorvallis.com. When you make a reservation, ask about weekly discounts and let them know you are an OSU student.

Additional housing options that may be available for short or long term include:

Corvallis iHouse: www.corvallisihouse.net/
The GEM: www.housingnorthwest.org/studenthousing/osu/index.asp

Portland International Airport (PDX)

Information about Portland International Airport, including maps, can be found online at: www.flypdx.com.



After you Arrive

Checklist

- Visit the Welcome Days at the International Resource Center (IRC) in the Memorial Union
- Visit the OSU ID office and pick up your student card (Kerr Admin. Bldg)
- Join a walking tour of the campus led by current OSU students (from the IRC)

Welcome Days at the International Resource Center

Once you reach the OSU campus, be sure to drop by the International Resource Center (IRC) in the Memorial Union during the hours listed below to learn more about the many services and opportunities available to you at Oregon State!

In addition to meeting other new international students, you can learn about: local transportation, entertainment, roommates, banking, clubs and organizations, housing, phone services, groceries, weekend activities, places of worship, restaurants, etc.

Go to oregonstate.edu/international/atosu/students/new for details about hours of operation.

Please see IRC schedule for exact hours of operation

Fall Term	Sept. 6-23	10am-4pm
Winter Term	Dec. 27-30	10am-1pm
Spring Term	Mar. 26-30	10am-1pm

Campus Life and Corvallis Life

For more information on life in Corvallis, please visit the following resources:

- oregonstate.edu/international/atosu/resources/corvallis
- oregonstate.edu/international/atosu/resources/guidebook

This site has great listings for “Places to Eat” and “Things to Do.” Website: visitcorvallis.com/

International Students of OSU (ISOSU)

Located on the 1st floor of Snell Hall, International Students of OSU (ISOSU) is a dynamic student-led organization that serves as the umbrella to the many cultural and regional student groups on campus. ISOSU provides a wide range of international program opportunities to the campus community and Corvallis, and it offers a great way to connect with international students and others interested in learning about other cultures. Visit oregonstate.edu/groups/isosu. For a list of ISOSU Affiliates (national/cultural/regional-specific organizations) and their contact information, go to oregonstate.edu/groups/isosu/affiliates

Crossroads International

Crossroads International is a volunteer community organization that encourages global understanding through friendship between international students and local residents from Corvallis and the surrounding area. Crossroads offers a variety of programs that include the Friendship Host program, special workshops, and the International Film Festival in February. Women who come to the U.S. on dependent visas may be interested in practicing English at the Crossroads Conversation School. Visit oregonstate.edu/international/crossroads.

Orientation Program

The International Student Orientation is required for all international students who are newly admitted to OSU, including students transferring to OSU from other schools in the U.S. as well as students changing a program level from INTO OSU to OSU.

All new students should plan to arrive in Corvallis at least one day before the start of classes in order to participate in the mandatory International Student Orientation.

The International Student Orientation provides specific information about F-1 or J-1 immigration regulations, including registration requirements, travel, employment, health insurance requirements, cultural adjustment, and public safety. Refer to the Web site at oregonstate.edu/international/atosu for detailed information regarding orientation dates, times and locations. To cover the cost of the international student orientation, an orientation fee is automatically charged to your OSU student account during your first term at OSU.

In addition to attending the F-1 or J-1 international student orientation, you are required to attend the Immigration Document Check-In. Please bring photocopies of the documents listed below for yourself and your dependents:

- Your I-20 or DS-2019 form showing the port of entry stamp
- ID page in your passport showing name and current expiration date
- Your U.S. visa stamp
- The front and back of your I-94 Arrival/Departure Document (usually stapled in your passport once you arrive in U.S.)
- Any previous I-20 or DS-2019 (if you are transferring from another U.S. school)

If you do not attend the International Student

Orientation AND the Immigration Document Check-In, a hold will be placed on your student record that prevents you from registering for classes until you meet this requirement.

	Fall 2011	Winter 2012	Spring 2012	Summer 2012
Orientation	Sept. 19	Jan. 6	Mar. 30	Upon arrival
Document Check-in	Sept. 21	Jan. 11	Apr. 4	Upon arrival
Classes begin	Sept. 26	Jan. 9	Apr. 2	Jun. 25

Additional Events for Fall 2011:

- OSU CONNECT Sept. 19-23
- J-1 Student Session Sept. 20

Fall Term CONNECT WEEK

Students admitted for Fall Term are invited to participate in OSU's general orientation program, known as CONNECT Week. The OSU CONNECT program introduces you to campus and community resources; provides an opportunity to take care of academic advising, registration, required tests and other business; prepares you for the academic term; and allows you to meet other students, staff and faculty through a variety of social activities. For more information, view oregonstate.edu/newstudents/home/

Confirming Intent to Attend / Sign up for the International Student Orientation

To confirm your intent to attend OSU, please complete the short survey found here: infosu.oregonstate.edu/login (requires your OSU ID and date of birth indicated as MMDDYY)

Employment

Students on an F-1 visa are eligible to work on campus up to 20 hours per week while the term is in session, and full-time (40 hours per week) between terms and during annual (summer) vacations. Students on a J-1 visa may also work on campus once they receive an authorization letter from ISFS. Off-campus employment requires authorization and is approved only under specific conditions. Always consult an international student adviser before accepting any off-campus employment. Dependents on an F-2 visa and conditionally admitted (CAP) students are not eligible for employment.

On-Campus Jobs

Beaver Jobnet is an online list of job openings on campus as well as off campus. Before you can access this site, you must activate your ONID account. Examples of on-campus jobs include working in a computer lab, housing and dining services and at OSU's Dixon recreation center.

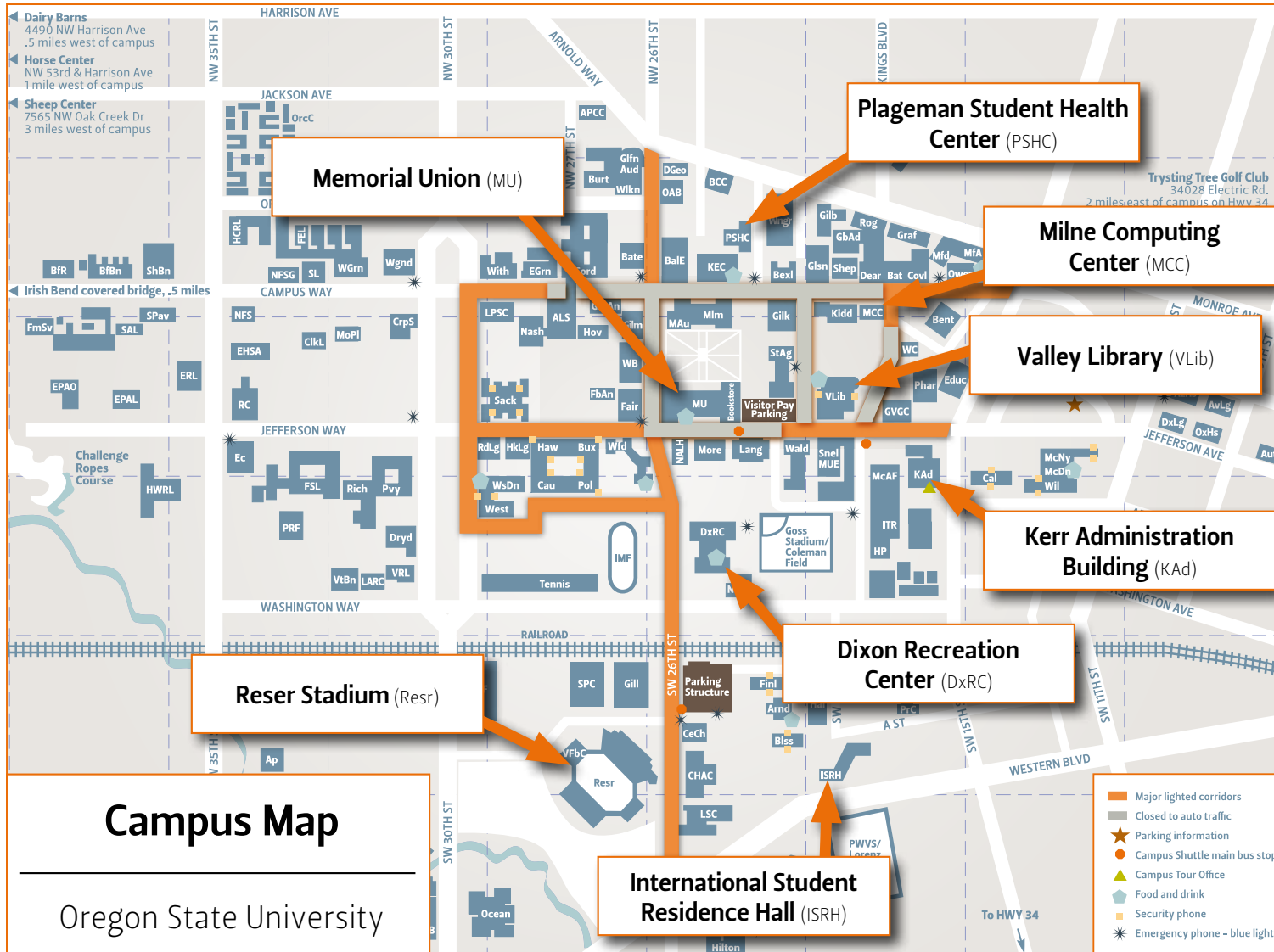
Note: International students are ineligible for positions listed as "work study".

Social Security number

Students who receive an offer for on-campus employment will need to apply for a social security number at the local Social Security Administration office in Albany, Oregon (about 18 km from Corvallis). Once you have a written offer of employment, you will need to request a Social Security letter from International Student and Faculty Services (ISFS). Before requesting this letter, be sure to register full-time for your first term at OSU. Additional information about applying for a Social Security number is provided during the International Student Orientation and is available in the ISFS office or at oregonstate.edu/international/atosu. Please note that you may only be issued a Social Security Number if you have an on-campus employment offer. Students without an employment offer are ineligible to receive a Social Security Number.



Campus Map



Oregon State University

- Memorial Union (MU)
- Valley Library (VLib)
- Kerr Administration Building (KAD)
- Plageman Student Health Center (PSHC)
- Dixon Recreation Center (DxRC)
- Reser Stadium (Resr)
- Milne Computing Center (MCC)

Residence Halls

- West (West)
- Cauthorn (Cau)
- Buxton (Bux)
- Hawley (Haw)
- Poling (Pol)
- Sackett (Sack)
- Weatherford (Wfd)
- Finley (Finl)
- Halsell (Hal)
- Bloss (Blss)
- Callahan (Cal)
- The Gem (privately owned and operated)
- International Student Residence Hall (ISRH)** NEW INTO OSU Living/Learning Center to be completed Fall 2011

Visit our interactive map at:
www.oregonstate.edu/campusmap/

Important Dates:

Fall 2011

- Sept. 1** Deadline to confirm Intent to Attend OSU
- Sept. 6-23** Welcome Days at the International Resource Center
- Sept. 16** Conditional Admission Program Orientation
- Sept. 17** Residence halls officially open
- Sept. 19-23** OSU CONNECT Week - oregonstate.edu/newstudents/connect/index.php
- Sept. 19** F-1 International Student Orientation
- Sept. 20** J-1 International Student Orientation
- Sept. 21** Immigration Document Check-in
- Sept. 22** International Student Welcome Reception (evening)
- Sept. 26** First day of classes

Winter 2012

- Dec. 19** Deadline to confirm Intent to Attend OSU
- Jan. 2-6** Welcome Days at the International Resource Center
- Jan. 5** Conditional Admission Program Orientation
- Jan. 6** International Student Orientation (required)
- Jan. 7** Residence halls officially open
- Jan. 9** First day of classes
- Jan. 11** Immigration Document Check-in (required)

Spring 2012

- Mar. 12** Deadline to confirm Intent to Attend OSU
- Mar. 26-30** Welcome Days at the International Resource Center
- Mar. 29** Conditional Admission Program Orientation
- Mar. 30** International Student Orientation (required)
- Apr. 1** Residence halls officially open
- Apr. 2** First day of classes
- Apr. 4** Immigration Document Check-in (required)

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**We look forward to meeting you during orientation!
Have a safe trip to Corvallis!**