Incoming Exchange Student Pre-Arrival Webinar

May 11, 2022
8:30am CST
Order of Events

• Navigating your KSU Accounts
  – Exchange Profile vs. KSU online accounts
• Course Enrollment and Housing
  – Information about enrollment and housing options
• Immigration Information
  – What to expect at the visa interview
• COVID-19 Information
  – Entry requirements, testing and vaccine availability
• 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
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**
- Register for eShipGlobal
- 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 Affidavit of Financial Support and Bank Statement (pdf).

Send pdf copies of your application materials to international@k-state.edu.
Course Enrollment & Housing
Class Registration

• You will be enrolled in virtual orientation and enrollment once all exchange students have been admitted.

• The orientation fee is covered by the exchange.

• Virtual advising appointment with an advisor in June.
TFRB Housing

• Tuition, Fees, Room & Board (TFRB) exchanges include the following:
  – Czech Technical University

• Option 1: traditional room in the residence halls and Any 14 Meal Plan

• Option 2: Hybrid apartments and Jardine 100 + 50 Meal Plan
Housing Options at K-State

- All students are guaranteed on-campus housing
- Compete your Housing Contract early – [www.housing.ksu.edu](http://www.housing.ksu.edu)
- Housing costs vary depending which option you choose
Dining Options at K-State

• Residence Halls (required)
  – Any 14 Meal Plan ($2,140)
  – All Access Meal Plan ($2,450)

• Hybrid Apartments (optional)
  – Jardine 50 ($595)
  – Jardine 100 ($1,130)
  – Jardine All Access ($2,450)
Immigration Information
“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
I-20/DS-2019 vs. 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.
  - A valid I-20/DS-2019 allows you to stay in the U.S.
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.

- The official arrival date for K-State is August 12, 2022
  - You must arrive in the U.S. no later than this date
  - You must be on campus by 8:00AM August 15, 2022
- You may arrive in the U.S. up to thirty (30) days before the official arrival date stated on their I-20/DS-2019
  - You may not arrive any earlier than 30 days prior
COVID-19 Information
U.S. Entry Requirements and Kansas Department of Health and Environment

- **Negative COVID Test** and proof of **COVID Vaccination** required for entry into the U.S.
- Kansas Department of Health and Environment **travel information** or potential quarantine information
- Consider travel insurance for possible last-minute changes to itinerary
Riley County and K-State Information

- Refer to k-state.edu/covid-19 for the most up-to-date COVID-19 guidance from Kansas State University.
Campus Life
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
- 2,000+ international students
- 40+ exchange students
- 19:1 student to faculty ratio
- 475 student clubs and organizations
- 250 undergraduate programs
Getting Involved!

Coffee Hour

K-State Career Center

Find Organizations
Join a new organization and utilize discussion, news posts, and group messaging.

BLT
Basic Language Training

Hands On K-State
A Program of the School of Leadership Studies

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International Buddies

Kansas State University
Purple Pride
K-State Campus
Life in the Little Apple

- 56,000 full-time residents
  - Plus nearly 24,000 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
Arrival and Orientation
Getting to Campus

• From Manhattan Regional Airport (MHK)
  – 8 miles (12.5km) from K-State campus
  – Sign up for the FREE airport shuttle
  – Only available from the Manhattan Regional Airport (MHK)
  – 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
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
Week of Welcome

• Lots of FREE food, t-shirts and other giveaways!
• Great way to meet other KSU students
• Example events:
  – Walk your class schedule
  – College specific fairs and events
  – Student Activities Fair
  – Kick Off Pep-Rally
Please contact us with questions!

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Thank you for attending!