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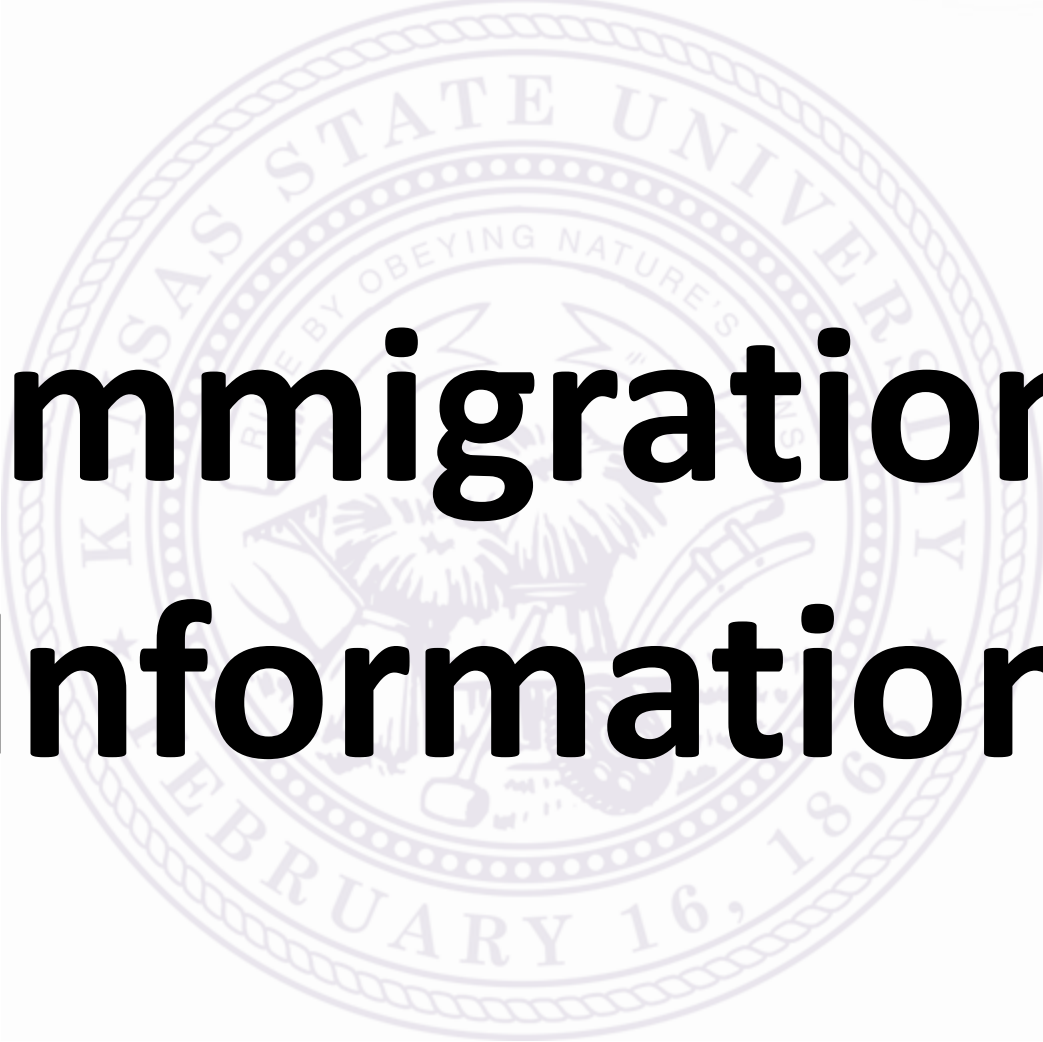
# **Incoming Exchange Student Pre-Arrival Webinar**

May 14, 2025

8:00am CST

# 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



# 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

# 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.






- 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.

<b>Department of Homeland Security</b>		<b>E-20: Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status</b>	
<b>Consular Administration and Consulate Information</b>		<b>SEVIS ID:</b> H004705512 (P-1)	
		<b>NAME:</b> John Doe Smith	
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>	<b>TITLE</b>		
<b>EMPLOYMENT START DATE</b>	<b>EMPLOYMENT END DATE</b>		
<b>EMPLOYER NAME</b>	<b>EMPLOYER LOCATION</b>		
<b>COMMENTS</b>			
<b>CHANGE OF STATUS/CAP-GAP EXTENSION</b>			
<b>REQUESTED VISA TYPE</b>	<b>REQUESTED STATUS</b>	<b>RECIPT NUMBER</b>	<b>BENEFIT START DATE/REQUEST DATE</b>
<b>EVENT HISTORY</b>		<b>EVENT NUMBER</b>	
<b>(LIST NAME)</b>			
<b>OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS</b>		<b>START DATE</b>	<b>END DATE</b>
<b>CUSTOMIZATION</b>			
<b>TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS</b>			
The person who applies must be employed for the entirety of the student to extend or renew their status at a minimum distance from the United States. Each dependent applicant is subject to the same requirements.			
<b>ISSUE APPROVAL</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>SITE OFFICE</b>	<b>PLACE DESIGNED</b>
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# DS-2019

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Middle Name: <b></b>		Gender: <b>MALE</b>	
Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy): <b>08-08-1988</b>		City of Birth: <b>Lodz</b>	
Country of Birth: <b>POLAND</b>		Citizenship Country Code: <b>PL</b>	
Legal Permanent Residence Country Code: <b>PL</b>		Legal Permanent Residence Country: <b>POLAND</b>	
Primary Site of Activity: <b>123 Main Street Anywhere, NY 10013</b>		Position Code: <b>215</b>	
Position: <b>UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS</b>		Exchange Visitor Program Number: <b>P-1-0000</b>	
2. Program Sponsor: <b>InterExchange, Inc.</b>		Participating Program Official Description: <b>SUMMER TRAVEL/WORK</b>	
Purpose of this form: <b>Begin new program; accompanied by number (0) of immediate family members.</b>			
3. Form Covers Period: From (mm-dd-yyyy): <b>06-01-2016</b> To (mm-dd-yyyy): <b>09-30-2016</b>		4. Exchange Visitor Category: <b>SUMMER TRAVEL/WORK</b> Subject Field Code: <b>1234</b> Subject Field Code Remark: <b>Labor</b>	
5. During the period covered by this form, the total estimated financial support (in U.S. \$) to be provided to the exchange visitor by:			
6. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE / DHS USE OR CERTIFICATION BY RESPONSIBLE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE RESPONSIBLE OFFICER THAT A NOTIFICATION COPY OF THIS FORM HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (INCLUDE DATE).		7. Alternate Responsible Officer Name of Official Preparing Form: <b>InterExchange, 100 Wall St New York, NY 10005</b> Address of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: <b></b> Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: <b></b> Date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b>01-13-2016</b>	
8. Statement of Responsible Officer for Releasing Sponsor (FOR TRANSFER OF PROGRAM): Effective date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b></b> Transfer of this exchange visitor from program number <b></b> sponsored by <b></b> to the program specified in item 2 is necessary or highly desirable and is in conformity with the objectives of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended.			
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: <b></b> Date (mm-dd-yyyy) of Signature: <b></b>		PRELIMINARY ENDORSEMENT OF CONSULAR OR IMMIGRATION OFFICER REGARDING SECTION 212(d) OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT AND PL 94-484, AS AMENDED. (see item 2 of page 2). The Exchange Visitor in the above program: 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Not subject to the two-year residence requirement. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Subject to two-year residence requirement based on: A. <input type="checkbox"/> Government financing and/or B. <input type="checkbox"/> The Exchange Visitor Skills List and/or C. <input type="checkbox"/> PL 94-484 as amended. <b>(ALL EXAD PARTICIPANTS (G-2-8024) AND ALL ALIEN PHYSICIANS SPONSORED BY P-3-84114 ARE SUBJECT TO THE TWO-YEAR HOME RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT.)</b> Name: <b></b> Title: <b></b> Signature of Consular or Immigration Officer: <b></b> Date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b></b> THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE FINAL DETERMINATION REGARDING 212(d). EXCHANGE VISITOR CERTIFICATION: I have read and agree with the statement in item 2 on page 2 of this document. Signature of Applicant: <b></b> Place: <b></b> Date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b></b>	
Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: <b></b> Date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b></b>		TRAVEL VALIDATION BY RESPONSIBLE OFFICER *EXCEPT: Maximum validation period is up to 6 months for Short-term Scholars and 4 months for Camp Counselors and Summer Work/Travel. (1) Exchange Visitor is in good standing at the present time. Date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b></b> Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: (2) Exchange Visitor is in good standing at the present time. Date (mm-dd-yyyy): <b></b> Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer: <b></b>	

# Before Scheduling your Visa Interview

## Global Visa Wait Times

Last updated: 25 APR 2025

### New Visa Appointment Wait Time Estimates Starting April 25, 2025

The Department of State is committed to protecting our nation and its citizens by upholding the highest standards of national security and public safety through our visa process. We now provide interview in the previous month. We also continue to provide the estimated wait time until the next available interview appointment for visitor visas. We update visa wait time information monthly.

Our embassies and consulates release additional appointment slots regularly. Applicants who want an earlier appointment slot after initially scheduling their interview should check back regularly the website of the embassy or consulate where the applicant schedules their interview.

The average wait times we report do not guarantee a visa applicant will get an appointment within a specific time.

### Visa Wait Times and How to Check Availability

We calculate months in 30-day increments and half months in 15-day increments. This includes weekends and holidays when embassies close.

The "Next available appointment" column in the table below predicts when you can expect to receive an appointment at that location. New appointments are added regularly, so you may get an appointment through our scheduling system and move to an earlier appointment if a slot becomes available.

The "Average wait time" columns in the table below show how long people typically waited for interviews (measured from fee payment to visa interview date) in the previous month. **Average wait times are typically less than three months away.** Average wait times may differ from the next available appointment. Because we regularly release new appointments, an applicant can move their appointment to an earlier date, their average wait time could be longer than the present-day next available appointment.

Embassies and consulates may waive the in-person interview requirement for eligible applicants. Wait times for these appointments are not reflected in the table below. Please check the individual embassy or consulate website for more information.

London

City/Post	Interview Required (B1/B2) Average wait times	Interview Required (B1/B2) Next available appointment	Interview Required (F,M,J) Next available appointment
London	NA	3 months	0 months

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We update interview appointment wait time information monthly. Average wait times do not guarantee the availability of an appointment.

Check the general  
appointment wait time  
at your nearest  
embassy/consulate

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/global-visa-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](http://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](http://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/admitted-checklists/international/>



- The official arrival date for K-State is August 15, 2025
  - You must arrive in the U.S. no later than this date.
  - You must be on campus by 8:00AM August 18, 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 8/18/2025

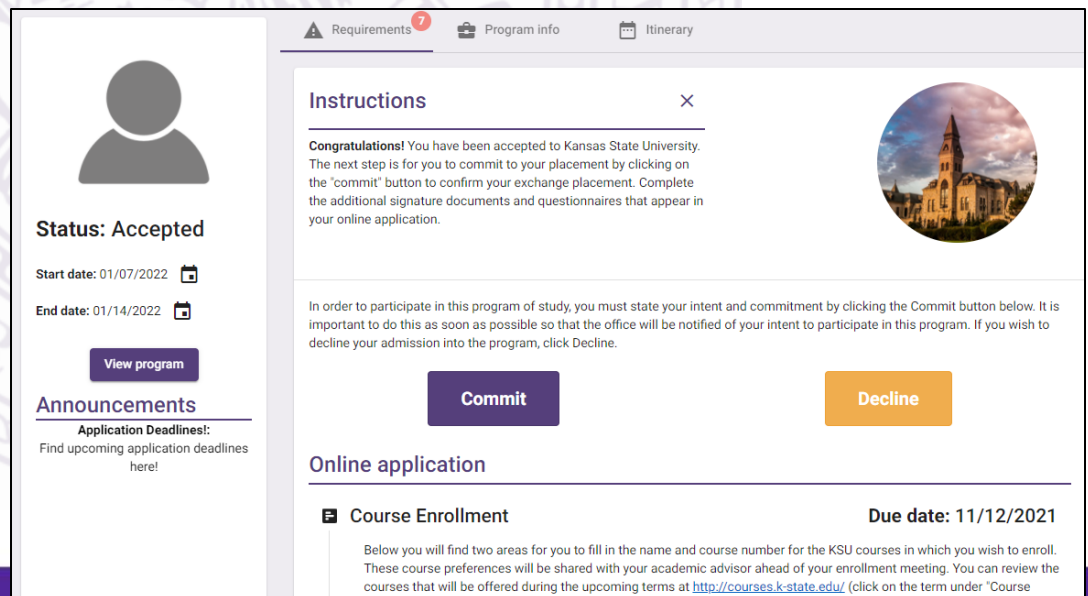
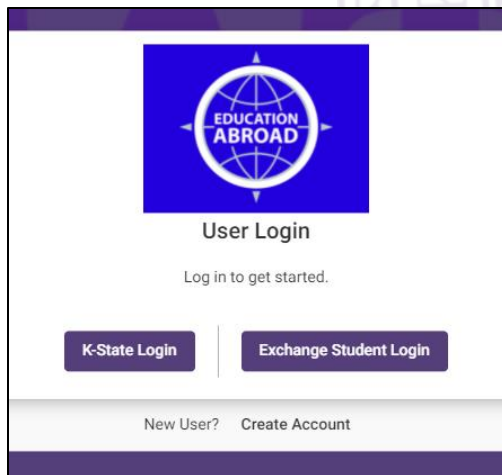


# **Navigating your KSU Accounts**



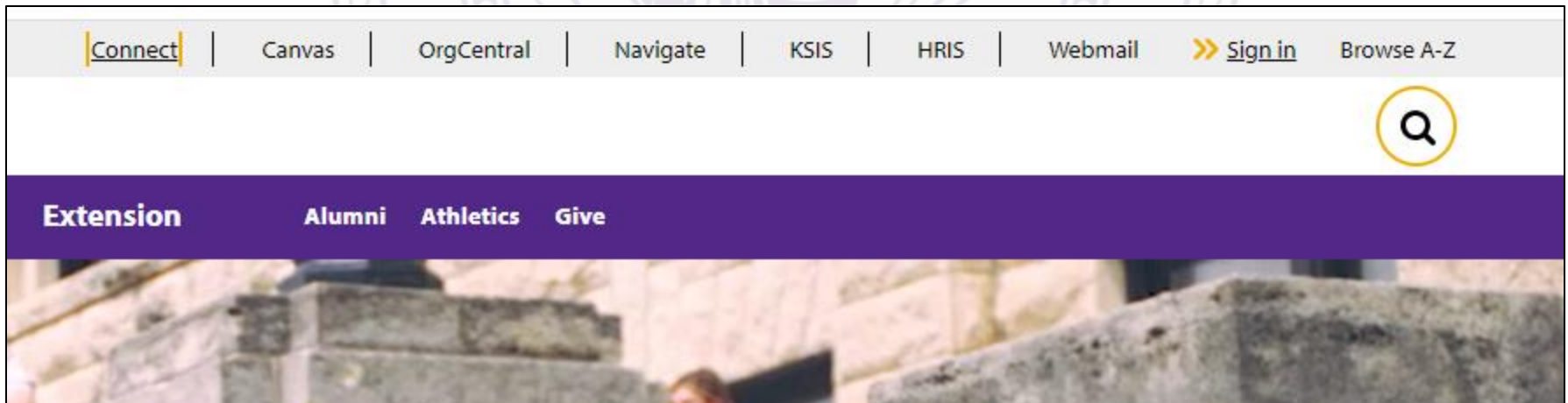
# Exchange Student Profile

- [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
- TB Questionnaire
- 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](mailto:international@k-state.edu).

# Course Enrollment & Housing

# Class Registration

- Enroll in virtual [New Student Orientation](#)
- The orientation fee is covered by the exchange
- Virtual advising appointment with an advisor in June/July





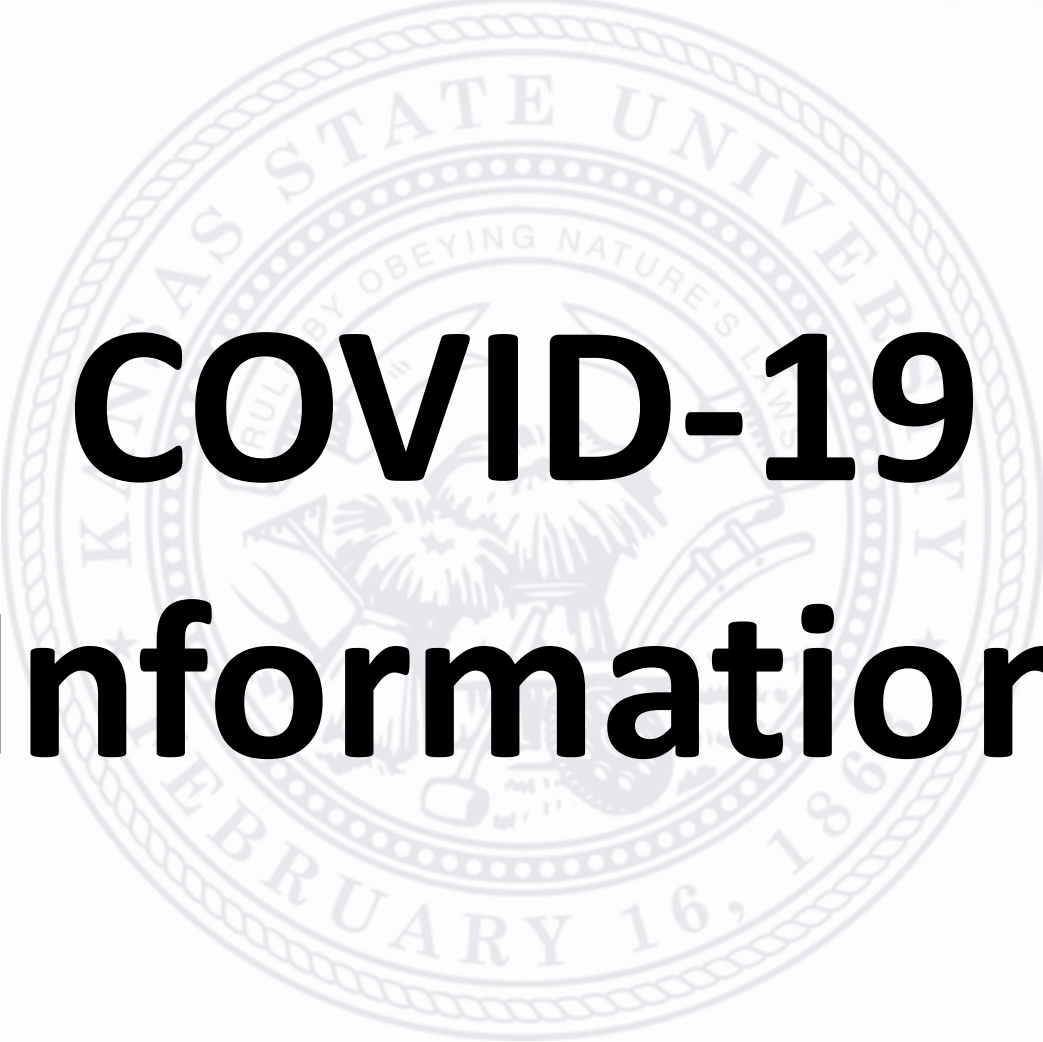
# Housing Options at K-State

- All students are guaranteed on-campus housing
- Complete your Housing Contract early via Resident Portal
  - [www.housing.ksu.edu](http://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 (\$2,355)
  - All Access Meal Plan (\$2,755)
- Hybrid Apartments (optional)
  - Jardine 50 (\$610)
  - Jardine 100 (\$1,170)
  - Jardine All Access (\$2,755)





# **COVID-19 Information**

# 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 [CDC guidelines](#) regarding exposure to COVID-19 and if you are sick.
- Consider travel insurance for possible last-minute changes to itinerary



# Riley County and K-State Information

- Refer to [k-state.edu/covid-19](https://k-state.edu/covid-19) for the most up-to-date COVID-19 guidance from Kansas State University



## Return to K-State

K-State is in phase 3 of the university's reopening plan.

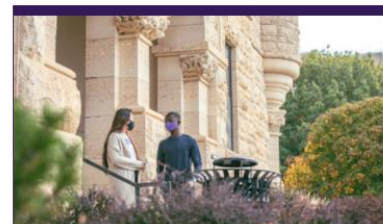
[Learn more >](#)



## Guidance and FAQ

Come back, 'Cats. Get guidance for students, faculty, staff and visitors and find frequently asked questions.

[Learn more >](#)

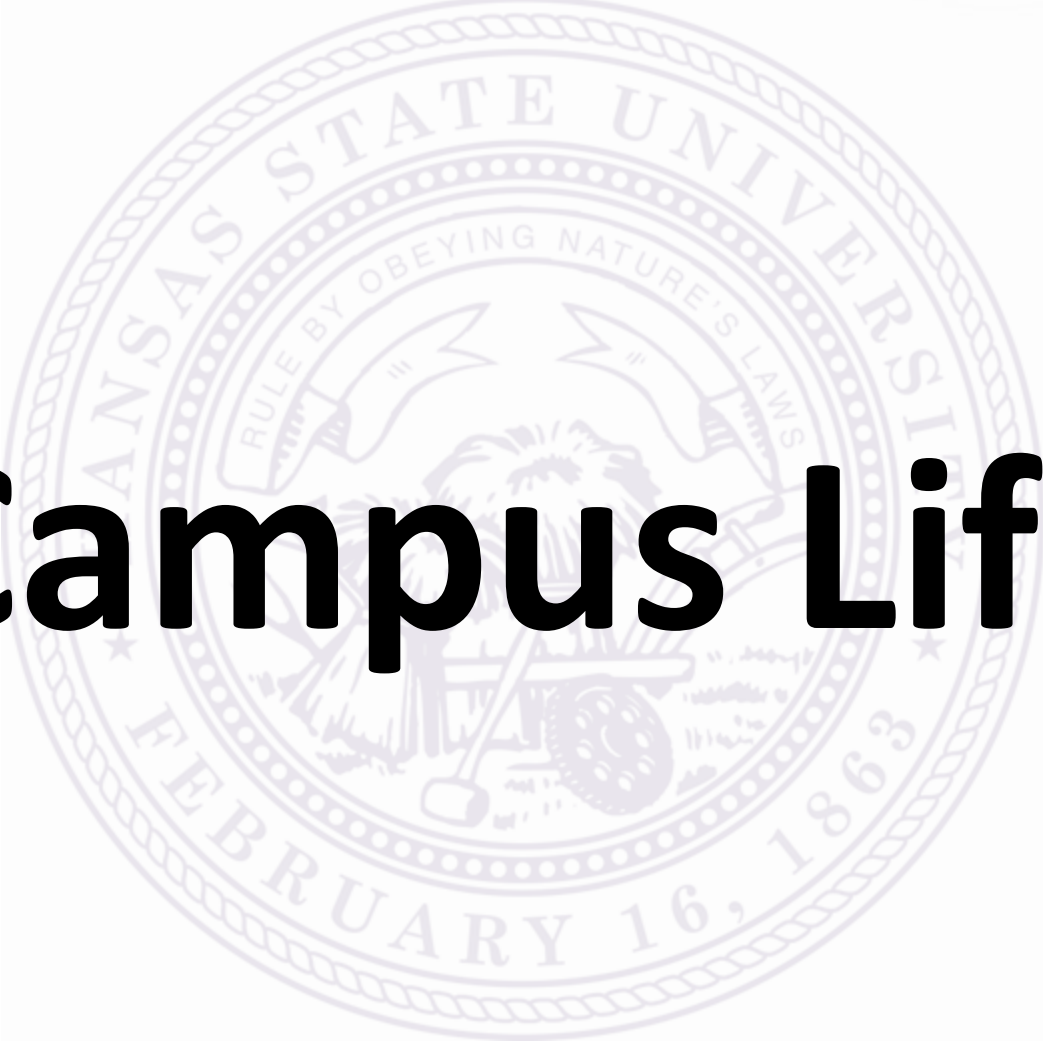


## Vaccines

K-State has been selected as a vaccine distribution site and is preparing for vaccine delivery once available.

[Learn more >](#)

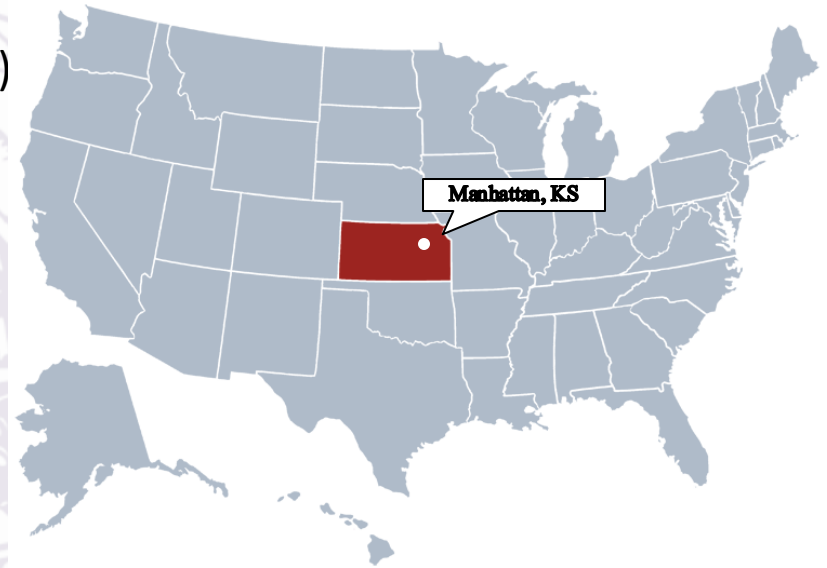


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# Campus Life

# 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
- 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!



*COFFEE HOUR*



## Find Organizations

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



*BASIC LANGUAGE  
TRAINING*



**Hands On**  
KANSAS STATE

*A Program of the School of Leadership Studies*





# Purple Pride





# 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







# Arrival and Orientation

# 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 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 Fall 2025 in-person Orientation starting on August 18, 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!