

# ADELPHI INTERNATIONAL NEXT STEPS GUIDE

## WELCOME TO ADELPHI UNIVERSITY!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to campus. Please read this brochure very carefully.

Visit [adelphi-international.org/welcome](https://adelphi-international.org/welcome) to access all the forms and information you need!

### BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

- ☐ Apply for your visa
- ☐ Submit your arrival information
- ☐ Pay Tuition and Fees
- ☐ Complete immunization forms
- ☐ Set up your U.S. phone
- ☐ If you are arriving early, make hotel arrangement



## GET YOUR VISA!

### Apply for Your Visa and Submit Your Health Forms

- **Apply for your visa.**

Visit [usembassy.gov](https://usembassy.gov) to learn more about scheduling your visa appointment.

- **Complete your Health & Immunization Form.**

Visit [adelphi-international.org/welcome](https://adelphi-international.org/welcome) to access and complete the form.

### Student Visa Checklist

Plan to present the following documentation during your visa interview:

- ☐ **Current, valid passport**

Note: Please check the expiration date on your passport. If your passport will expire less than six (6) months from your planned arrival in the United States, or is damaged, or you do not have a page for a visa, get a new passport before your interview.

- ☐ **One photograph**

Two inches square (51mm x 51mm) color photograph, less than six (6) months old, against a white background, full front view of your head and shoulders. Please use clear tape to stick your photo on the front cover of your passport.

- ☐ **DS-160 application form confirmation page**

Visit [ceac.state.gov/Genniv](https://ceac.state.gov/Genniv) for information and instructions.

- ☐ **Original bank receipt for application fee**

Please glue or tape the application fee receipt onto the bottom of the DS-160 form confirmation page.

- ☐ **Any previously expired passports**

Bring all passports containing all previous U.S. visas, even if expired.

- ☐ **SEVIS form I-20**

Bring a properly completed form. It must be signed by both the Designated School Official (DSO) and the applicant. The name on the form must exactly match the name in your passport. Visit [ice.gov/sevis/students](https://ice.gov/sevis/students) for more information.

- ☐ **SEVIS 1-901 fee receipt**

Visit [fmjfee.com/i901fee](https://fmjfee.com/i901fee) for more information and check the instructions at the top of this page.

- ☐ **Proof of finances**

Proof that you can support yourself during your entire stay in the U.S. without working. This is a bank statement and/or letter of support from your sponsor proving the funds that are shown on your form I-20.

- ☐ **Official transcripts for returning students**

If you have previously studied in the U.S., please bring past official transcripts.

Be prepared to speak about the following during your visa interview:

- **Academic study plan**

Detailed information about your studies. You may be asked why you chose the university, program and/or major. You may also be asked about your career goals after college.

- **Ties to home country**

Prove that you have economic, social, family or other leadership commitments that will help demonstrate your intent to return to your home country after your studies in the U.S.





## BOOK YOUR FLIGHT!

Book your flight to New York, New York!

You can fly into John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) or LaGuardia Airport (LGA).†

Enter your flight information two weeks before you leave at [adelphi-international.org/flight](https://adelphi-international.org/flight) to reserve your free airport pickup. A friendly greeter will meet you at the airport and bring you to your housing.





## GET PACKED!

### What to Bring

Pack these items in your carry-on luggage.

#### Immigration Documents

- Passport
- Letter of Acceptance
- Visa
- SEVIS I-901 fee receipt
- I-20

#### Original Documents

- Academic transcripts – sealed in an envelope and certified
- Academic certificates
- English proficiency test scores
- Bank statement

### Residence Address

If you have secured off-campus housing, please have the address of your residence within easy reach when you arrive in New York. If you are confirmed for on-campus housing, you will be notified of your on-campus residence hall upon arrival.

### Money & Banking

The amount you need to bring will depend on your personal spending habits. We recommend that you bring USD \$250-\$500 in cash, plus a Visa or MasterCard issued from a bank in your home country that will work in the U.S. A pre-paid credit card will work too.

### Health and Immunization Form

Remember to bring your completed Health and Immunization form with you when you arrive.



## What to Wear

A variety of clothing types should be considered when packing. However, you will have plenty of opportunity to purchase any additional clothing or supplies once you arrive. New York has four distinct seasons and temperatures vary throughout the year. We recommend a raincoat, rain boots and an umbrella for the rainy weather.

- Summer (June to August) is generally hot and humid; lightweight clothing is recommended. Temperatures range from 64°F (18°C) to more than 83°F (28°C).
- Autumn (September to November) is usually moderate with temperatures ranging from 46°F (8°C) to 62°F (17°C).
- Winter (December through February) is cold, and snow and ice may be the routine. Be sure to bring warm and adequate clothing! Temperatures range from 28°F (-2°C) to 42°F (6°C), and sometimes may drop as low as 0°F (-18°C). A warm winter coat, scarf, boots and gloves are recommended.
- Spring (March to May) is usually moderate with temperatures ranging from 46°F (8°C) to 62°F (17°C).

## Electrical Adapter

- U.S. electrical outlets are 120 V with a frequency of 60 Hz.

## Prescription Medication

- Keep medication in original pharmacy packaging in case you are asked questions at customs. Be prepared to present the prescription from your doctor to immigration upon request.

## Emergency Information

- Store this in your wallet or purse at all times. Please carry your personal emergency contact information and also the emergency phone numbers located on the back of this brochure.

## Laptop and Charger

- A laptop is not required, but you can purchase one once you arrive to campus. Wireless internet service is available on campus.

## Reminder

- All carry-on liquids and gels must be 3.4 ounces (100mL) or less by volume and in one (1) quart-sized, clear, plastic, zip-top bag ([tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/liquids-rule](https://www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/liquids-rule)). You should pack all other liquids and gels in your checked luggage.
- Do not bring any sharp objects, such as scissors or a penknife, as these will be confiscated by TSA airport security.
- Do not pack any food or beverages. You will be able to purchase these once you pass through security at the airport.





## ARRIVE!

### Airport Pickup

As part of our concierge services, we will provide you with a free airport transfer from John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) or LaGuardia Airport (LGA) to your residence. Please know that these are busy airports. Your driver will be holding a sign that reads "Adelphi University."

If you do not see your greeter within 15 minutes of reaching the Ground Transportation area of Arrivals, please follow these directions:

- Find the nearest public pay phone or use your cell phone and dial the Adelphi International Help Line at: 1.844.370.0300.
- Once an operator answers, please say, "Hello, I'm an Adelphi International student and I can't find my driver. My name is (say your full name slowly) from (home country name). I am waiting in Terminal (letter or number) in the Ground Transportation area and wearing (color and description of clothes)." The friendly operator will help find your greeter/driver promptly.



### Arriving Early?

If you arrive before your move-in day, you will need to arrange accommodation at a local hotel. Consider staying at one of the following local hotels until the official move-in date. Please note that you will also need to arrange transportation from your hotel to your residence on move-in day.

If you have been placed in on-campus housing, please report to the Adelphi University campus to check in on move-in day. If you have been placed in off-campus housing, please report to your assigned residence to check in on move-in day.

#### Downtown New York City

Near Penn Station (transportation to Adelphi University via Long Island Rail Road)

Four Points By Sheraton Midtown – Times Square  
326 West 40th Street, New York, NY 10018  
212.967.8585

The Westin New York at Times Square  
270 West 43rd Street, New York, NY 10036  
212.201.2700

New York Marriott Marquis  
1535 Broadway, New York, NY 10036  
212.398.1900

Hilton Times Square  
234 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036  
212.840.8222

#### Near Campus in Garden City

Garden City Hotel (0.8 miles)  
45 Seventh Street, Garden City, NY 11530  
516.747.3000

Homewood Suites by Hilton (2.7 miles)  
40 Westbury Avenue, Carle Place, NY 11514  
516.747.0230

Hampton Inn Garden City (3.6 miles)  
1 North Avenue, Garden City, NY 11530  
516.227.2720

Long Island Marriott (5.4 miles)  
101 James Doolittle Boulevard, Uniondale, NY 11553  
516.794.3800



## WELCOME TO CAMPUS!

The day after your move-in day, Orientation Week begins. **All Orientation Week activities are mandatory.**

To view our activities for the week, visit [adelphi-international.org/welcome](https://adelphi-international.org/welcome).





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