CHECKLIST FOR ARRIVAL AT UAB

☐ **Attend International Orientation**: International Orientation is mandatory for all international direct admit graduate students and international transfer students in F or J status. International Orientation will be held on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at the ISSS/INTO Center on the second floor of Sterne Library from 9am-12pm.

☐ **Create Your BlazerID**: If you have not created your BlazerID, do so at [www.uab.edu/blazerid](http://www.uab.edu/blazerid).

☐ **Register for Classes**: You can do this through your BlazerNET account by following the instructions at [www.uab.edu/students/one-stop/register-for-classes](http://www.uab.edu/students/one-stop/register-for-classes).

☐ **Purchase Textbooks**: Visit the campus Barnes & Noble bookstore or the off-campus Snoozy’s bookstore.

☐ **Immigration Documentation**: Bring your passport, Form I-20/DS-2019, and a printout of your I-94 to the ISSS/INTO Center (917 13th Street South). ISSS will make all necessary copies.

☐ **New Student Intake Sheet**: Complete this form so we have your local address and emergency contact information.

☐ **Sign up for the Globetrotter weekly e-newsletter**: It provides relevant and important news and announcements each week and is the best source of information from the iHouse. You can sign up here: [http://www.uab.edu/global/international-students-and-scholars/newsletter](http://www.uab.edu/global/international-students-and-scholars/newsletter).

☐ **Like our Facebook page**: The Globetrotter will post to Facebook, and we also share important announcements about office closures and opportunities via our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/uabisss](http://www.facebook.com/uabisss).

☐ **Health Insurance and Immunizations**: Visit [www.uab.edu/studenthealth](http://www.uab.edu/studenthealth) and complete the medical history form under the Immunizations tab. Create a profile and upload the Student Health Form and proof of immunizations. You must have a TB skin test performed within the United States within three months.

☐ **Meet Your Academic Advisor**: Contact your department or program chair to find out who will be your academic advisor.

☐ **ONE Card**: Visit the One Stop Office in Room 103 at the Hill Student Center to get your ONE Card, which you will need to access buildings on campus and for student ID. [www.uab.edu/students/onestop](http://www.uab.edu/students/onestop).

☐ **Housing**: If you wish to live on-campus, please visit [www.uab.edu/students/housing/apply](http://www.uab.edu/students/housing/apply) to reserve accommodation as soon as possible. Refer to apartment guides or Compass for off-campus accommodation.

☐ **Set Up a US Cell Phone Number**: There are a few carrier options to choose from such as Verizon, AT&T and T-Mobile. Shop around as companies are competitive.

☐ **Open a Bank Account**: Several banks near UAB offer student checking accounts: BB&T (8th Avenue & 19th Street), BBVA Compass (20th Street and 7th Avenue), Regions (corner of 19th Street and University Boulevard), and Wells Fargo (18th Street and 3rd Avenue). To open a bank account, you must present two forms of identification, such as your passport and Form I-20/DS-2019. It also helps to have a US cell phone number.

☐ **Register for B-Alert**: Enter your phone number at [www.uab.edu/emergency](http://www.uab.edu/emergency) to receive alerts related to severe weather or other campus events.

☐ **Articulation**: This is the process by which your overseas credit hours transfer in as regular credit to UAB. For full details, see the “International” tab at [www.uab.edu/transfercredits](http://www.uab.edu/transfercredits).

☐ **Download These Apps**: [www.uab.edu/app](http://www.uab.edu/app) and [www.uab.edu/studentaffairs/blazerwelcome](http://www.uab.edu/studentaffairs/blazerwelcome/)

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