Welcome!
to UC San Diego
International Students & Programs Office

UC San Diego International Students & Programs Office
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• Review the forms I-20 for F-1 visa and DS-2019 for the J-1 visa
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CONTROL PANEL
Pre-Arrival Information and Orientation for new international students.

Advising services for students and their families.

International student visa and status support services.

Cross-cultural programming, events, and fun activities!

International Students & Programs Office
Student Center B, 1st Floor
Add to your “favorites” or “bookmark” it!

- Request Forms
- Information Guides
- Tutorials

http://ispo.ucsd.edu/
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ARRIVING TO SAN DIEGO

Visa & Passport Information
What to expect at the airport
You must have your SEVIS I-20 Form to apply for your F-1 Visa OR the SEVIS DS-2019 Form to apply for the J-1 Visa.

To apply for the I-20 or DS-2019, please request via the iPortal:
- [http://ispo.ucsd.edu/new-students/index.html](http://ispo.ucsd.edu/new-students/index.html)

For additional information go to the U.S. Embassy website at:
- [http://www.usembassy.gov](http://www.usembassy.gov)

I-20, DS-2019 or visa questions? Email iportal@ucsd.edu
WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE AIRPORT
ARRIVAL
IN THE U.S.

All passengers arriving on international flights must complete U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) entry procedures at the International Terminal Arrivals Hall.

Carry your PASSPORT, VISA and I-20/DS-2019 in your carry-on bag. Do not pack them in your check-in luggage.

For details, visit www.cbp.gov for information about clearing CBP.
• Passport scanned at airport
• Electronic I-94 record *automatically* created once your passport is scanned
• Receive entry (admission) stamp in passport
• Access electronic record using the link below after entry
• Print copy for your records
• Bring copy to Intl Student Orientation to check for accuracy

www.cbp.gov/I94
Passengers ending their journey in San Diego (SAN) or Los Angeles (LAX) should follow the signs for International Arrivals and/or Baggage Claim.
GETTING TO
UC SAN DIEGO
GETTING TO THE CAMPUS

- Friends and/or family
- Public buses, San Diego Metro Transit Service (SD MTS)
  www.sdmts.com
- UC San Diego Shuttles and Public Transport serving UCSD
  blink.ucsd.edu/facilities/transportation/commuting/public.html
- Ground transportation options from San Diego International Airport.
- International Center Arrival Resources
  http://ispo.ucsd.edu/new-students/transportation-arriving-usa.html
TRAVEL TO
SAN DIEGO
FROM L.A.

• From LAX Airport: FlyAway Bus to Union Station & Irvine Train Station
  • www.lawa.org (Under “Ground Transportation”)

• From Union Station & Irvine Train Stations:
  • www.amtrak.com

• By Bus: www.greyhound.com

• Rental Car: check “ground transportation, www.lawa.org

• By Air: Fly from LAX to SAN
Complete a self document check and address update within 15 days of your program start (visa stamp and I-94)

Failure to check your documents for accuracy may result in the termination of your SEVIS record and loss of your F-1 or J-1 status.

To complete the Document Check after arrival into the U.S.:

- **Step 1**: Print your electronic I-94 form from [https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/](https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/)
- **Step 2**: Update your local and permanent address in Tritonlink.
- **Step 3**: Attend the International Student Orientation for document review. By attending the international student orientation, you are fulfilling your document check requirement.
• All new international students must complete the iTriton Online Training at http://ispo.ucsd.edu/new-students/orientation/itriton.html.

• Deadline to complete:
  • Friday, September 15th
  • This online training is mandatory
New Graduate Student Orientation

Wednesday, September 20th
See Graduate Division Website with further resources:
http://grad.ucsd.edu/gradlife/orientation.html

GSA (Graduate Student Association) Welcome Events:
http://gsa.ucsd.edu
International Graduate Student Orientation

Saturday, September 23rd

At the International Student Orientation we will review:
- F-1 and J-1 regulatory information
- F-1 and J-1 status document check

Choose sessions to attend!
- Working in the USA for F-1 and J-1 Students
- Academic Life at UC San Diego
- Understanding your Funding at UC San Diego

Register at: http://ispo.ucsd.edu/new-students/orientation/index.html
CAMPUS RESOURCES FOR HOUSING ON & OFF CAMPUS

- Graduate Division Housing Resources: [http://grad.ucsd.edu/resources/general/new.html](http://grad.ucsd.edu/resources/general/new.html)
- UCSD Off-Campus Housing Office: [https://offcampushousing.ucsd.edu](https://offcampushousing.ucsd.edu/)

Graduate Student Housing Webinar: Wednesday, June 28th at 8:30am PST
SOLANA BEACH HOMESTAY SHORT TERM HOMESTAY PROGRAM

• No application fee required

• Provides free short term housing and cultural exchange with an American family

• Serving UCSD students and scholars for 12 years

http://www.solanabeachhostfamilies.org/
Health insurance is mandatory for every student at UC San Diego

- Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)
- Health Fee Waiver

SHIP Website: [http://studenthealth.ucsd.edu/ucshipabout.shtml](http://studenthealth.ucsd.edu/ucshipabout.shtml)
Complete the Tuberculosis Screening Questionnaire and Immunization Record by **July 15, 2017**

- Registration holds begin August 1
- Please direct all questions about the TB Screening Questionnaire to the Student Health Center
- **More Information:** [https://wellness.ucsd.edu/studenthealth/health-requirements/Pages/default.aspx](https://wellness.ucsd.edu/studenthealth/health-requirements/Pages/default.aspx)
• Most routine care available on campus at Student Health Services (SHS)
• Nurse Advice Line
• Urgent Care centers
• Emergency Medical facilities
• Emergency care information: http://studenthealth.ucsd.edu/emergencymed.shtml
For Help: acms-help@ucsd.edu
A few important deadlines:

- NEW student enrollment: Check with your department
- Registration fees due by September 22, 2017
- Fall Quarter begins on September 25, 2017
- First day of instruction is September 28, 2017

Must enroll in at least 12 units each academic term
Fees/Payments: My TritonLink at students.ucsd.edu, under “Finance Tools”
• To open a bank account:
  • Passport
  • Student ID
  • Current local (UCSD) address
  • $100 for initial deposit

• To purchase a cell phone contract:
  • Passport
  • Student ID
  • Current local (UCSD) address
GET INVOLVED
Internationalize your experience!

- **JOIN** UCSD Cultural Student Organizations for dynamic cross-cultural exchange!
- **ENGAGE** in dialogue by meeting people from all over the globe.
- **MENTOR** our international newcomers by becoming an Orientation Assistant.
- **VOLUNTEER** to become an English-in-Action Tutor.
- **EAT** delicious international cuisine every Friday at International Café!

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Graduate Life Webinar: Wednesday, August 9th at 8:30am PST
FINAL REMINDERS
• NOW! Register for the International Student Orientation for grad students
• NOW! iTriton Online Training. You may begin this online training.
• JULY 15th Deadline to complete the Tuberculosis Screening Questionnaire & Immunization Record
• SEPTEMBER 15th Deadline to complete your iTriton Online Training.
• SEPTEMBER 20th Attend the Graduate Division Orientation & any department orientations.
• SEPTEMBER 22nd Deadline to pay any fees (including GSHIP Health Insurance)
• SEPTEMBER 23rd Attend the International Student Orientation
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HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday - Friday
9am - 4pm
THANK YOU
TIME FOR QUESTIONS