We look forward to welcoming you to our campus! To help you have a smooth transition, we have collected important information and recommendations for you to review as you prepare for your studies at George Mason University. We encourage you to read each section carefully and reach out to us if you have any questions.

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Checklist

Please make sure you have completed everything on this checklist before you leave home.

☐ Visa and Passport
   To obtain your F-1 student visa, you must receive your I-20; pay the SEVIS I-901 fee; confirm that your passport will not expire within six months of your expected entry date to the US; and schedule a visa application interview at a US Embassy or Consulate. An overview of the visa application process can be found on page 4.

☐ Visit a Doctor
   You must show proof of being vaccinated for Measles, Mumps and Rubella, Tetanus and Diphtheria, Tuberculosis, Hepatitis B and Meningococcal. Bring your original records with you to the US. For a full list of what you need, see pages 6 and 7. Your doctor must sign the Immunization Record form and if you are under 18, your parents must sign the form too.

☐ Book Travel
   Find suggested airports and temporary accommodation information on page 8.

☐ Find Housing
   Review your options for on-campus and off-campus housing on page 12 and secure housing arrangements prior to arriving in the US.

☐ Secure Your Documents
   In order to register for your classes, you will need to bring your official academic documents and test scores. Review a full list of what you will need to bring on page 9.

☐ Travel and Arrival Details
   Send us your travel itinerary and flight arrival details so we can schedule airport transfer from the airport to your accommodation. Confirm your travel details at www.INTOarrivals.com/mason. Find more information on pages 10 and 11.

☐ Check Your Finances
   Bring enough US currency for the first few weeks and find out how you will transfer money from your home country to a US bank account. For more information, see page 18.

☐ Follow INTO Mason on Social Media
   Learn more about INTO Mason by following us on all our social media channels, listed on page 20.
Getting Your Student Visa

As an international student, you are required to have an F-1 student visa to study in the US. You will need to schedule an appointment to apply for this visa at a US Embassy or Consulate in your country and will need to complete a visa interview. Before arriving for your appointment, it is important that you obtain your I-20 Certificate of Eligibility, pay the SEVIS I-901 fee, document your finances and make sure that your passport will not expire for at least six months after your expected entry date in the US.

Pre-Arrival Support Service (PASS)
INTO offers a Pre-Arrival Support Service, also known as PASS, which helps students have a better understanding of the visa application process. While it is not required, we encourage all students to take advantage of this free service and connect with a PASS Specialist prior to beginning the visa application process.

If you are interested in utilizing PASS, you must first complete the following online form:
www.surveymonkey.com/r/D8C3PM8

The form will require you to research George Mason University. This will help prepare you to answer questions during your visa interview. After completing this survey, a PASS Specialist will contact you within two business days to review your work and give feedback.

1 Obtain I-20 Certificate of Eligibility
With your confirmation package, you should have received an I-20 Certificate of Eligibility. Carefully read the instructions included with the I-20 before visiting the US Embassy or Consulate for your F-1 student visa. Keep this document in a safe place because you will need to bring the original signed form for your visa interview.

2 Pay the SEVIS I-901 Fee
At least three business days before you schedule your visa interview, you will need to pay the SEVIS I-901 fee. You can pay the SEVIS I-901 fee by going to the fee website at www.fmjfee.com/i901fee. You must follow the instructions to pay the SEVIS fee and print the receipt. This fee is required in addition to the visa application fee. You will need the following to pay the SEVIS fee:

- Your SEVIS ID number (listed on the top of your I-20 or at the top right of your DS-2019)
- Mason F-1 school code: WAS214F00683000
- Mason J-1 school code: P-1-04835
3 Confirm Passport Expiration Date
In order to obtain a visa, your passport must not expire within six months of your expected entry date into the US. If it will expire sooner than six months, you should renew your passport prior to starting your visa application.

4 Evidence of Financial Resources
During the visa application process, you will be required to provide documentation that proves you have the financial resources available to pay for your studies and living expenses. Documentation can vary but some suggested documents to bring include bank statements, student loan records or proof of scholarships.

5 Schedule Your F-1 Visa Interview
You must schedule an appointment to apply for an F-1 student visa at a US Embassy or Consulate. Schedule your appointment as soon as possible, as wait times may vary depending on the region and the date you apply. For more information and to find your nearest US Consulate, visit www.usembassy.gov

In your interview, be prepared to answer questions about your academic interests, financial resources to fund your education, your plans after graduation and career prospects in your home country.

For your interview you will need:
• A current passport that will not expire for at least six months after your expected entry date to the US
• The original signed I-20 form for your program
• SEVIS I-901 fee payment receipt
• Documentation of finances for your first year of studies

Transferring from Another US School
If you are transferring from another school in the US and you already have an F-1 visa you must complete the F-1 Student Transfer Eligibility form at least 15 days before the start date of your program. If you plan to travel outside of the US before starting your program at Mason, please contact us to obtain an I-20 for re-entry purposes. Do not use your previous school’s I-20 to re-enter the US.

Bringing Dependents
Your spouse or child(ren) under 21 years old may accompany you on an F-2 dependent visa. F-2 visa holders are not allowed to work or pursue a degree program or any other full-time language training program. Additional funding and documentation may need to be provided for your dependents.

Visa Delays
If you are unable to obtain a visa before the start date for which you have been admitted, contact INTO Mason immediately at intomason@gmu.edu. You may defer and apply your deposit toward the tuition for the next semester.

For information about traveling to the US: studyinthestates.dhs.gov
For information about SEVIS I-901 fee: ice.gov/sevis/i901
Medical Information

Immunization Record Form
You will receive an Immunization Record form via email that must be completed in English and signed by a doctor before you arrive on campus. You may receive required vaccinations from your local doctor or hospital before you leave your country. If you do not have proof of immunizations when you arrive on campus, we will schedule an appointment for you at Student Health Services. All required vaccinations are free of charge if you are enrolled in the university-selected health insurance plan.

Immunization Requirements
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) – Two doses of the MMR vaccine or Titer (blood test) report indicating positive immunity
- Tetanus and Diphtheria – Pertussis (Tdap) received within the last 10 years
- Tuberculosis (TB) – Screening questionnaire listed on Immunization Record form must be completed and submitted
- Hepatitis B – Three doses of Hepatitis B or Twinrix, or Titer (blood test) report indicating positive immunity or a signed waiver
- Meningococcal – Must receive vaccine between the ages of 16-21 or a signed waiver

For more information about immunizations, visit shs.gmu.edu/immunizations or email immunize@gmu.edu

Submit your completed Immunization Record form on the first day of Orientation or email it to intoadmissions@gmu.edu

You can also find the Immunization Record form online at bit.ly/MasonImmunizations2019

If you are under the age of 18, your parent or guardian must also sign your Immunization Record form.
Health Insurance
Students with F-1 and J-1 status are required to have George Mason University’s UnitedHealthCare health insurance. If you have this visa status, you will automatically be enrolled in the university-selected health insurance plan managed by UnitedHealthCare. Health insurance fees are paid to INTO Mason and you can access your insurance card online during the first few weeks of classes.

If you already have health insurance and do not want to be enrolled in the university-selected health insurance plan, you must apply for an insurance waiver.

Health insurance waivers must be submitted by the posted deadline or you will still need to pay for the university-selected health insurance. For waiver criteria please go to:

shs.gmu.edu/insurance/international

Only US health insurance plans will be considered for the waiver.

Please remember that any dependents traveling with you also will need to enroll in health insurance.

For requirements of a qualifying health insurance policy, deadlines and instructions on how to submit a waiver, visit

shs.gmu.edu/insurance

Prescriptions
Bring a copy of ALL prescriptions for medicines, eyeglasses and contact lenses with you to the US. The prescriptions must be in English.

Pharmacy Locations
CVS
10390 Willard Way, Fairfax, VA
+1 703 591 0060
cvs.com

Walgreens
10320 Main Street, Fairfax, VA
+1 703 591 1025
walgreens.com
**Book Your Flight**

As an F-1 student, you are allowed to enter the US no earlier than 30 days before the program start date listed on your I-20. If you arrive after the start date listed on your I-20, you may be denied entry to the US.

When booking your flights, remember that you should arrive in Fairfax at least one day before your program start date. If you are living on campus you may check in to your residence hall as early as two days before Orientation begins. All students are expected to arrive at either Dulles International Airport (IAD) or Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA).

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**Submit Arrival Information**

Submit your arrival details online at: www.INTOarrivals.com/mason at least 72 hours before your flight arrives so we can arrange transfer service to greet you at the airport and take you to your accommodation.

You will need to provide the following information:

- Application ID
- Personal contact details
- Flight number
- Arrival date and time
- Where you will be traveling to: the campus, a hotel or local apartment, etc.

**Hotels in Fairfax**

If you arrive before your move-in date, you will be responsible for arranging and paying for your temporary accommodation. Some hotels recommended by Mason are:

- **Residence Inn Fairfax City**
  3565 Chain Bridge Road
  Fairfax, VA 22030
  +1 703 273 6161

- **Courtyard Marriott Fair Oaks**
  11220 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway
  Fairfax, VA 22030
  +1 866 613 3611

For more information about local hotels, visit gmu.edu/resources/welcome/hotel.html
What to Pack

Weather
The Fairfax climate has four seasons with average temperatures ranging from 5° C in January to 32° C in July.

Clothing
Due to weather changes, you will need clothing for both warm and cold seasons. All of these items are available for purchase in Fairfax upon arrival, so only pack what you need for the first few months after you arrive.

Room Essentials and Decorations
Consider bringing decorations for your room that will remind you of home such as photos, books, music, recipes and items associated with a hobby or sport you enjoy. Many students also choose to bring items of cultural significance such as their national dress.

What to Carry on the Plane
- Original I-20
- Valid passport and F-1 visa
- SEVIS I-901 fee payment receipt
- Evidence of funding for your tuition fees and living costs, including sponsor letter
- Health forms and immunization documentation
- All medical prescriptions written in English
- Official transcripts or test scores
- Laptop computer

Appliances
US electrical outlets are 110 volts AC and use a NEMA electrical socket. You may need an adapter to use electronics from home. Appliances with exposed heating elements are prohibited in residence halls. Purchase appliances after you arrive.

Cell Phones
If you want a cell phone while living in the US, we recommend waiting to purchase the phone until you arrive in the US. You will receive more information at Orientation.

Luggage
Always label all of your luggage clearly. The label should have your full name and the address of the INTO Mason Global Center:

INTO George Mason University
4352 Mason Pond Drive
Fairfax, VA 22030
USA
Arriving in the US

Entering the US
Be ready to present these documents at the US port of entry:

- Original I-20
- Valid F-1 visa and passport
- SEVIS I-901 Fee payment receipt
- Proof of finances for your first year of studies

US Customs Declaration Form
You will receive the US Customs Declaration form to complete during your flight to present to the immigration official when you enter the US. For more information about preparing to enter the US, visit studyinthestates.dhs.gov/students

Customs and Immigrations Tips
An immigration officer may ask you some questions. Be prepared to answer:

- Why are you coming to the US?
- Where and what course are you studying?
- Where will you live during your studies?
- How are you going to fund your studies?

Your I-94 arrival/departure form is now a paperless document. However, if you receive a paper copy, do not lose it. It costs more than $300 to replace a paper I-94.

See how the US Customs and Immigration process will work: bit.ly/AirportCustoms

For more information about preparing to enter the US, visit: ice.gov/sevis/students
Airport Transfer Service

Airport Shuttle and Greeting Service
We offer INTO Mason airport pick-up and transfer service at Dulles International Airport (IAD) and Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) during the weekend before Orientation. See below for specific days included in this service. If you submit your arrival details online at least 72 hours prior to your arrival, we can provide the pick-up and transfer service and send you a confirmation with more details. We will meet you at the airport and take you directly to your accommodation.

**Fall semester:** Saturday and Sunday before Orientation.

**Spring semester:** Saturday, Sunday and Monday before Orientation.

**Summer semester:** Monday and Tuesday before Orientation.

Assistance During Arrival
If you encounter any issues upon your arrival such as a change in your flight arrival time, lost luggage, or immigration issues, please call the INTO Mason Emergency Phone at +1 571 325 6540

To know what you can expect when you arrive at the airport, watch this video: [bit.ly/StudentsAirport](http://bit.ly/StudentsAirport)

Submit your arrival details here: [www.INTOarrivals.com/mason](http://www.INTOarrivals.com/mason)
Living on Campus
All International Year One and Academic English + International Year One students are required to live on campus during their program.

- Convenient on-campus locations close to classrooms, libraries, gyms and dining halls
- Live-in student staff to assist you 24 hours per day
- Securely locked exterior doors
- Wireless high-speed internet
- Study lounges
- Laundry facilities
- Anytime dining plans so you can enter all Mason dining halls as many times per day as you wish

Students who choose to live on campus will get to enjoy the benefits of the Mason Global Center (bit.ly/MasonGlobal), or Whitetop Hall (bit.ly/Whitetop).

Your Room Includes
- Bed
- Desk and chair
- Closet space
- Linen package including sheets, pillow, pillowcases, blankets and towels

If you live on campus, we will send you a housing confirmation email one month before the start date of your program with more details about move-in dates and procedures.
Graduate and Academic English Students
If you plan to only study Academic English at INTO Mason, you will not be required to live on campus. However, you are welcome to apply to live on campus. We encourage you to apply early, as spaces fill up quickly. Graduate Pathway program students who wish to live on campus will live in the Mason Global Center.

Off-Campus Housing Information
If your program does not require you to live on campus, you can choose to live off campus. Consider the following when looking for an off-campus option:
• How do you plan to get to the university?
• How long will it take you to travel to the university?
• Will you have a roommate or do you want to live alone?

We strongly encourage you to find housing before you arrive in the US as apartments fill up quickly. Read our Off-Campus Housing Guide for recommendations and tips for renting an apartment in the Washington, DC, area.

Off-Campus Housing Guide:
bit.ly/INTOMasonOff-Campus

Dining and Meal Plans
Explore more than 25 restaurants on campus and find vegetarian, halal, gluten-free and kosher options. If you live on campus, you will have a meal plan, which allows you to enter any of our all-you-can-eat dining halls as many times as you wish each day. Students living off campus have the option of purchasing a meal plan.

Accommodation in Arlington
Selected programs only
If your Graduate Pathway courses are located at the Arlington Campus, you will receive an Arlington Off-Campus Housing Guide from the Student Services team that will give you details on how to find accommodation in the area, pricing and recommendations.

Watch this video to learn more about the Mason Global Center:
j.mp/masonglobalcenter-video

For more exciting tips about living in the nation’s capital, visit our City Guide:
intostudy.com/mason/living
Orientation
As part of your INTO Mason program, you will attend a mandatory Orientation for one week. During this week, you will participate in several activities that will get you ready for classes as well as meet new friends.

At Orientation You Will:
• Go on a campus tour
• Get your Mason ID card
• Open your university email account
• Turn in required health vaccinations and documents
• Submit any transcripts and test scores
• Pay any balances due
• Take an English language placement test
• Register for courses
• Learn about student visa regulations
• Learn about campus resources
• Attend fun activities and field trips and make #intofriends
• Meet your academic advisor
• Find your classes on campus

What to Bring to Orientation
• Original I-20
• Acceptance letter
• Academic transcripts (except Academic English only students)
• Immunization forms
• Passport

Course Registration
Before you register for courses, you must complete the English language test, turn in all required documents and pay any remaining fees. Orientation leaders and INTO Mason staff will help you every step of the way.

Arriving Late to Orientation
It is important to arrive by the first day of Orientation. Students who arrive after the first day of Orientation must have a late arrival letter to present at check-in. Late arrival letters are approved on a case-by-case basis and students who arrive late may be charged a $250 fee. Students who arrive late without a late arrival letter may not be able to register for courses.
Holistic Experience
INTO Mason provides programs and services for your social, physical, personal and academic well-being. Our job is to make sure you are as successful outside the classroom as you are inside. We want you to make the most of your experience with us.

Engagement on Campus
Our programs help you meet students from all over the world and from every US state. We provide activities that help you get involved on campus and in the Fairfax and Washington, DC, area.

Get Involved at Mason
• Join a campus organization
• Play your favorite sport
• Join an English Conversation Partner Program
• Participate in International Week
• Explore the local area through field trips

Student Care
We have staff who can help ease your transition to the US. Whether you need to speak to someone in your native language, get a driver’s license or find a doctor, you can visit the Mason Global Center Welcome Desk and we will help you.

Emergency Phone
You can call or text the INTO Mason Emergency Phone at +1 571 325 6540 with any questions, concerns or problems once you arrive.

Student Services in Arlington
Selected programs only
The Arlington Campus offers state-of-the-art educational spaces, libraries, technology and opportunities for community engagement and career development. There is a Mason Student Services team on the second floor of Founders Hall that can assist with any questions you may have about your student life in Arlington. All of the departments based in Fairfax such as Student Health, Writing Center, and International Services, also have offices on the Arlington Campus.

The Arlington Information Desk is located on the first floor of Founders Hall. They can provide assistance with everything from academic programs, events on campus, transportation concerns, or help finding a classroom. You can also reach them by calling +1 703 993 8999 or emailing arlcamp@gmu.edu
Health Services on Campus
Mason Student Health Services provides healthcare services for illnesses such as cold, flu, upset stomach and headache. There is no charge for students to be seen by one of our healthcare providers for illness, injury, or any other health concern. There are small fees for lab work and medications. Call to make an appointment. Student Health accepts walk-in patients for sudden illness or injury.

Mason Student Health Services
Fairfax Clinic
Location: On Campus
Phone: +1 703 993 2831

Medical Services in Fairfax
If you need urgent medical attention from a doctor without an appointment, use these resources:

Med-First Urgent Care Center
9452 Main Street
Fairfax, VA
Phone: +1 703 503 1112

Inova Emergency Care Center
4315 Chain Bridge Road
Fairfax, VA
Phone: +1 703 877 8200

Call 911
911 emergency services provide on-site treatment and transportation to local hospitals for life-threatening injuries or illness.
Safety on Campus

George Mason University is very safe and has its own full-service police department on campus. However, you should not engage in any activity that puts you in danger. Here are some tips on how to stay safe:

- Use well-lit and well-traveled paths at night.
- Always lock your doors and windows. If you drive a car, lock it at all times even while driving. Do not leave valuable items in your car.
- Travel with a friend or group of people.
- Trust your instincts. If you do not feel comfortable in a situation, you can leave.
- If you are being harassed or experience any threats, let University Police know immediately. You can call the non-emergency number of the Police Department and request a police cadet to escort you safely on campus.

Mason Alert

Mason Alert is Mason’s emergency notification system used to send notifications about school closings and timely safety warnings to the university community via text, email and telephone call.

- Sign up for Mason Alert: ready.gmu.edu/masonalert
Cash

• US currency: US dollar (USD or $) divided into 100 cents
• Bills: $100, $50, $20, $10, $5, $1
• Coins: quarter (25 cents), dime (10 cents), nickel (5 cents), penny (1 cent)

You need easy access to at least $500 or more to cover books, cell phone deposit and plan, and other living expenses when you arrive. You should not carry large amounts of cash with you, so you will need to open a bank account.

Transferring Money

Before you leave your country, you need to know your government’s regulations and your home bank’s procedures for transferring money to the US. Plan to transfer enough money to cover your expenses for one semester, including books. Consider your living situation and lifestyle to plan ahead. Will you live off campus? Do you like to eat at restaurants? Do you need to buy clothes or more school supplies?

Credit/Debit Cards

In the US, the most widely accepted bank and credit cards are Visa and MasterCard. Bank cards can either be debit which pulls funds from your bank account or credit, which you pay off at the end of each month. Apply for a credit card in your home country before you travel since it may be difficult for you to get one after you leave.

Bank Accounts

During Orientation, you can meet with representatives from on-campus and off-campus banking services. To open an account, you will need two forms of photo identification (passport and Mason ID card), your US mailing address and money to deposit.
Transportation

Getting Around Campus

Shuttles
Mason provides various free shuttles that offer transportation from different locations on campus to the metro. The Global Center Metro shuttle provides direct service from the Mason Global Center to the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU metro stop. You can track the pick-up times and locations at www.mason.ridesystems.net. Some shuttles run seven days a week, with limited times on the weekends.

Bike Programs
Mason is a bicycle-friendly university and has over 1,350 bike parking spots on campus including bike pumps and fix-it stations. To see a map of all the facilities and register your bike, visit bike.gmu.edu

Parking on Campus
If you will be driving to campus, parking is available in various lots, as well as parking decks during the school year. You can purchase a permit or get more information about your options at parking.gmu.edu

Getting Around Fairfax and DC
CUE Bus
The CUE Bus has various routes throughout the city of Fairfax and is free to all students who have a valid Mason ID. For more information visit www.cuebus.org

Driving a Car
To drive a car in the US, you will need a valid driver's license, insurance and vehicle registration. An international driver's license is only valid for up to six months in Virginia. For the most complete information on applying for a license, please call or visit:
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
+1 894 497 7100  |  dmv.virginia.gov

Metro
The closest metro stop to the George Mason University Campus in Fairfax is the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU Metro station on the Orange Line. The Orange Line also goes to various locations in Washington, DC. To visit the Arlington Campus, take the Orange Line to Virginia Sq-GMU Metro station. The metro maps and schedules can be found at www.wmata.com/schedules/maps

Uber and Lyft
Uber and Lyft are smartphone applications that allow you to request a car that will pick you up based on your GPS location. They are cheaper and more convenient than taxis. When you download the app and sign up, enter your credit card information so you are automatically charged for the ride once you reach your destination. You do not need to pay or tip using cash—it is all included.

Getting Around Arlington
Selected programs only
The Arlington Campus is located at 3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22201. You will be just a 15-minute ride away from DC.

Public Transportation
The Arlington Campus is conveniently located near many public transportation options. It is just steps away from the Virginia Sq-GMU metro station on both the Orange and Silver Line, along with various Metrobus and ART Bus stops. You can find all your options at transportation.gmu.edu/arlington

Driving
If you are driving to the Arlington Campus, a parking permit is required. You can purchase a permit at Parking Services in Founders Hall on the Arlington Campus. For more information, visit transportation.gmu.edu/arlington
Contact Information

INTO Mason Contact Information
Website: www.intostudy.com/mason
Email: intomason@gmu.edu
Phone: +1 703 993 4501
Mason Global Center Welcome Desk
Open Monday – Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm
There is a 24-hour Residential Desk

INTO Mason Emergency Phone
+1 571 325 6540

Mason Police Department (Non-Emergency)
+1 703 993 2810
Emergency: 911

George Mason University Information
gmu.edu
Mason Student Health Services
+1 703 993 2831
shs.gmu.edu

Mason Global Center
(Fairfax Campus)
4352 Mason Pond Drive
Fairfax, VA 22030

George Mason University
(Arlington Campus)
3351 Fairfax Drive
Arlington, VA 22201

Fairfax and Washington, DC,
Tourist Information
These websites provide helpful information about Fairfax, Virginia and Washington, DC, adjusting to life in the US, cultural organizations and events around the Mason campus.

City of Fairfax: www.visitfairfax.com
Fairfax County: www.fxva.com
Washington, DC: www.washington.org

facebook.com/INTOmason
facebook.com/georgemason
twitter.com/INTO_Mason
twitter.com/georgemasonu
myin.to/MasonYouTube
youtube.com/user/masonWeb
instagram.com/INTO_Mason
instagram.com/georgemasonu
myin.to/linkedin_mason

WeChat ID: myin.to/linkedin_mason
Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to attend the entire Orientation program?
Yes, Orientation is mandatory. You will complete many necessary tasks during Orientation that will need to be finished prior to the start of classes, including registering for classes. Refer to page 14 for a complete list of what you will do at Orientation. Any student who misses Orientation without prior approval will be charged a $250 late arrival fee.

If I have any issues at the airport, who can I call?
INTO Mason has an emergency arrivals phone you can call or text 24 hours a day: +1 571 325 6540.

If I arrive before my residence hall move-in date, where should I stay?
You typically can move on campus two days before your Orientation start date. If you live off-campus, you should check your lease start date. If you will be arriving before these dates, refer to page 8 for a list of local hotels.

How much should I pack?
Most students bring only two suitcases and a carry-on bag. Additional seasonal clothing can easily be purchased in Fairfax, VA upon arrival. All bedding and towels will be provided upon arrival if you are living on campus.

What immunization shots do I need as an INTO Mason Student? Can I get my immunization shots done overseas?
A list of required immunizations is on page 6. You are welcome to complete your immunizations before you arrive. Please bring copies of immunization proof in English with you to Orientation. If you do not have the needed immunizations upon arrival, you will receive them during Orientation week. All immunizations are free if you have the university health insurance plan.

What are the housing options?
International Year One and Academic English + International Year One students will live in one of the following residence halls on campus: Mason Global Center or Whitetop Hall (refer to campus map for locations).

Graduate Pathway program students or those students studying only Academic English may choose to live on or off campus. For students looking to live off-campus, we highly recommend finding housing prior to your arrival, as apartments close to campus fill up quickly.

What if I do not want to live on campus?
You will be required to live on campus if you are an International Year One or studying AE + IYO. There are only a few exceptions. Contact the Application Processing Center (intoadmissions@gmu.edu) for a housing exemption form if you think you qualify to live off campus.
For the most up-to-date information visit:

Intostudy.com/mason

facebook.com/INTOMason
twitter.com/INTO_Mason
instagram.com/INTO_Mason
myin.to/Mason_YouTube
myin.to/linkedin_mason

WeChat ID:

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