Congratulations on your admission to University of Michigan! Before you arrive in Ann Arbor, there is a lot of information that you need to know. Being proactive will definitely help you have a smooth transition to your new home.

**Pre-Arrival Guide for New International Students**

*Let the preparation begin!*

1. **Applying for a U.S. Visa**
   Before making travel arrangements, you will need to obtain an appropriate U.S. visa.

2. **Searching for Housing**
   The earlier you start looking for housing, the more options you will have.

3. **Exploring Orientation Workshops and Social Events**
   Identify and attend the workshops and events which are beneficial for you.
Learn about the basic immigration rules in order to maintain your legal status in the U.S.

- **Understanding Mandatory Immigration Check-in**

Learn how health insurance works, what is covered and what is not covered.

- **Reviewing International Health Insurance**

Discover the best way to get to campus.

- **Getting to Ann Arbor from Detroit Metro Airport (DTW)**

**Related Information**

- [Submit Your Mcard (U-M ID card) Photo](https://www.finance.umich.edu/treasury/mcard/online-student-photo-submission)
- [F-1 Versus J-1 Student Visa](https://internationalcenter.umich.edu/resources/visas)
- [Life in Ann Arbor](https://internationalcenter.umich.edu/resources/life/housing)
- [U-M International Student Organizations](https://internationalcenter.umich.edu/events/orientation)
- [U-M Issues in Academic Integrity](https://internationalcenter.umich.edu/events/student-checkin)

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