



Before you leave home there are some essential things you will need to do. Use this checklist to make sure you are fully prepared for your arrival in the UK.

## Your University

- Accept your offer.
- Complete any administration tasks from your university. **They might ask you to:**
  - Register with a student portal.
  - Enrol or chose classes for your first semester.
- Organise accommodation for your arrival. You can find accommodation advice and options for your university via the [NCAUK Pre-Departure page](#).

## Flights and Visas

- Make sure you have a current passport.
- Organise your student visa. Further information including how to apply from both inside the UK and outside of the UK can be found on the [GOV.UK website](#).
- Make a documentation pack for everything you need to show at the airport and university. **This could include:**
  - Your offer letter.
  - Identification documents.
  - Academic transcripts from previous study.
  - Details of pre-arranged accommodation.
  - Important medical records.
- Check the luggage restrictions for the UK: there are some things like foods or drinks you may not be able to bring in.
- Confirm airport pickup options with your university if needed.



## Arrival in the UK

- Organise money for arrival in the UK. UKCISA recommends bringing £400-450 for your first week's expenses. [Study UK](#) has some good information on living costs in the UK.
- Know which Post Office you need to collect your Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) from and how to register with the police if necessary.
- Register with a GP and organise any prescribed medication you may require including a letter from your doctor (in English) detailing any prescribed medicines.
- Write down the emergency contact number of your university in case you need help when you arrive.
- Finally (and most importantly) note down the dates and events for your university's Orientation and Welcome week so you can start your university life with a bang!