



Pre-Arrival Guide for International Students

Yale *Summer Session*

Welcome to Yale



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Congratulations on your acceptance to study at Yale this summer. We look forward to welcoming you to our campus, and hope this guide will assist you in preparing for your summer experience.

Same Veritas, More Lux.



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Immigration and Visas

You will need to obtain F-1 student visa status to study in this full-time program unless you are a U.S. or Canadian citizen or a U.S. permanent resident.

Once you have been admitted to your summer program and receive your Form I-20 from our office, you should begin work on obtaining your visa and getting your travel plans confirmed.

Please apply for your visa as soon as you receive your Form I-20, as it can take several weeks, and sometimes longer, to obtain your visa, especially in the months leading up to summer.

To apply for the U.S. visa, you will need to go to and follow the instructions on the U.S. State Department website, submit additional materials, go to an interview, and pay additional fees. The most accurate application information can be found on their website.

<http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en.html>

Please note: If the U.S. Embassy or Consulate has any questions regarding your studies at Yale, please contact the Office of International Students and Scholars at oiss.yale.edu.





Paying Your University Bill

Once you are admitted to Yale Summer Session, an invoice for your expenses is automatically generated. University bills are sent via U.S. mail to visiting students or viewable online once you receive your NET ID and password. Visiting students may pay by check, by a third party, or by a wire transfer. Payment is due two weeks before the session begins.

More information can be found online at:
summer.yale.edu/prepare-come/payment

Online Registration

Three weeks before your program start date, you will receive an email regarding online registration. You must fill out this form to confirm attendance in your courses and to submit your contact information for the summer.

If your plans change and you decide not to attend Yale Summer Session after accepting your offer of admission, you can also let us know on this form.

Booking Your Flight

Yale University is in New Haven, Connecticut (CT). Once you know you will be able to obtain your visa, you can buy your airline tickets.

If you are living on campus, plan to arrive the Sunday before your program begins to check into on-campus housing. Students may not arrive late for their classes or leave before the last day of classes.

As you look for a round-trip flight to the U.S., keep in mind that there are several airports convenient to Yale (shown below).

Travel times to and from New Haven vary, and may take longer due to traffic, especially from the New York area. You should plan to arrive to New Haven during the published check in hours.

Transportation options from these airports to Yale University are available on the University's website at: <http://to.yale.edu/fly>.

Airport - City	Airport Code	Miles from Yale
John F. Kennedy - New York, NY	JFK	80 miles
LaGuardia - New York, NY	LGA	73 miles
Newark - Newark, NJ	EWR	93 miles
Bradley - Windsor Locks, CT	BDL	52 miles
Tweed - New Haven, CT	HVN	5 miles
Logan - Boston, MA	BOS	140 miles
Green - Warwick, RI	PVD	96 miles





Packing Checklist

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| Valid passport | Towels |
| Copy of the name page of your passport | Plug adapters/voltage converters |
| Valid U.S. visa | Charging devices for your electronics |
| Your Form I-20 | Umbrella/raincoat |
| Proof of financial support | This guide |
| Spending money (a credit / debit card and a small amount of U.S. currency) | A copy of your flight itinerary |
| Medications you use regularly | The street address of where you are going in New Haven |
| Sheets (twin extra-long) | Transportation arrangements from the airport to New Haven |

Weather and Clothing

Generally, June has sunny, warm weather and July and August tend to be hotter and more humid months. Although most of our classrooms are air-conditioned, Yale's residential colleges are not; therefore, you will want to bring suitable clothing.

Students dress casually and comfortably during the summer. Plan to include a sweater or light jacket for an occasional cool evening. Some formal attire may also be helpful if you plan to go out with friends. If you have a distinctive national dress, we encourage you to bring it to wear at one of our final parties if you would like to do so.

When You Arrive

When you arrive in New Haven, you will need to check into housing if you are living on campus. Summer Session staff and residential staff will be available to help with the process. Please check your email for arrival newsletters.

Classroom locations will be available the Friday before the session begins.

Office of International Students & Scholars

All visiting international students are required to check in with the Office of International Students & Scholars (OISS) once you arrive to campus. Dates and times to do this will be given to you closer to the start of the program.

The OISS coordinates services and support for international students doing programs on Yale's campus. OISS staff can provide assistance with immigration, personal and cultural adjustment, and other topics you may need assistance with. OISS is Yale's primary location for questions about immigration concerns.

Visit oiss.yale.edu for more information.





Wishing you safe
travels, and we look
forward to seeing you
at Yale very soon!

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