Top 5 Questions of New International Students
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  - Presentation (20 mins)
  - Question & Answer (30 mins)
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  - Closing (10 mins)
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Top 5 Questions

1. What if I cannot arrive by the program start date on my I-20?
2. How much will my tuition and fees be?
3. Can you tell me more about International Student Orientation?
4. What are Pre-Arrival Modules and how do I access them?
5. When will I be able to register for classes?
What if I can’t arrive by my program start date?

• All applicants are required to meet with a visa officer in person
  – May cause longer wait time or delay visa approval due to security checks
• If you are unable to arrive by the program start date on your I-20
  – Recommended to defer admission to a later semester
• CBP (Customs and Border Protection) can deny you entrance if entering later
  – Can get a letter from academic department confirming your need to begin this semester
  – Does not guarantee entry to US
How much will my tuition and fees be?

- UT Dallas Bursar Office handles billing and collection of your tuition and fees
- Tuition and Fee rates
  - [Utdallas.edu/bursar/tuition/tables](http://Utdallas.edu/bursar/tuition/tables)
  - Students can use this to get an estimate of tuition
  - Remember to factor in additional fees such as departmental, health insurance, and international student services fee
- Tuition and fees will be billed after registering for classes
  - Cannot make any payments prior!
Tuition and Fees

• Find additional fees that you will have to pay
  – utdallas.edu/bursar/tuition/fees/

• Common fees
  – Student Health Insurance
    • Pay per term
    • utdallas.edu/insurance/policies
  – Orientation Fee
    • One time payment
  – International Student Services Fees
    • Pay per term
  – International Document Evaluation
    • Required when submitting education documents from other countries
Scholarships

- Credited to your student account
  - Will not be given directly to you
- Eligible for “Financial Aid Recipient” extended payment deadline
- For questions about scholarship deadlines, and decisions contact the department who is awarding the scholarship
International Student Orientation

• Mandatory for all F-1 and J-1 international students
• Register online early to secure the date you want
  – Attend International Student Orientation before your departmental orientation (if you have one)
• You will not receive a confirmation when you register online
  – Confirmation email will be sent two weeks prior to your scheduled orientation date
• To change the date of your orientation, resubmit the form
  – Only the most recent submission will be taken into account
• TB test results are not required to attend orientation
  – You will register for the TB test when you register for International Student Orientation
What are Pre-Arrival Modules?

- Online videos you will watch prior to your arrival
  - Pre-Arrival Modules are required for all F-1 and J-1 new overseas students
- Help prepare you for life in the US and at UT Dallas
- Your International Student Orientation hold will be removed after Pre-Arrival Modules have been completed and you have attended International Student Orientation
Pre-Arrival Modules?

• Accept your admission to UT Dallas
  – utdallas.edu/accept/
  – Module access will take approximately one week after acceptance
• Access modules via eLearning
  – elearning.utdallas.edu
  – Log in with your NetID and password
  – Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox work best
• Click on Pre-Arrival Modules for International Students 2017/18 under “My Organizations”
  – Click on Pre-Arrival Modules to begin your modules.
  – Click on Additional Resources to see other helpful information for new students.
• Discussion Boards are also available in eLearning in the Organization Toolbar. Use discussion boards to ask questions to new and current students.
Class Registration

- You can register for classes once your holds are removed
  - View holds in Galaxy
  - In your “Orion Student Center” you can click on “Holds” and view all existing holds on your account
- New students need to meet with their Academic Advisor prior to registering
  - utdallas.edu/advisors/
  - Some students may have an Academic Orientation
Class Registration

• Academic program websites
  – utdallas.edu/academics
  – Degree plans, scholarships, career options, faculty information

• Coursebook
  – coursebook.utdallas.edu
  – Class information, syllabi, textbooks, instructor information
  – Search for classes by name, term, section number to see information
Question Time!

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Additional Questions?

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  - Topic: What to Expect Your First Month at UTD
- Have you found the New Student Discussion Boards?
  - elearning.utdallas.edu
  - Choose “Pre-Arrival Modules for International Students 2017/18”
  - Click “Discussions” on the left toolbar