Welcome to Hunter College!
About Today’s Orientation

- **Chat with us on Zoom** if you have questions about a topic. Chats will be visible to everyone.

- **We will answer more questions at the end.** Please hold longer questions until then.

- **Your audio and video will be off.**

- **For detailed questions**, please email us at intlss@hunter.cuny.edu.
Introductions

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We Can

- **support** your successful transition to Hunter College
- **refer you** to specialists who can help you reach your educational goals
- **explain** your rights and responsibilities and ensure your legal compliance with immigration and SEVIS
- **provide documents** for identification, work, and travel

New International Student Orientation
You Can

- **attend** our workshops
- **visit** our web site: bit.ly/hunteriso
- **explore** New York City online and learn about U.S. culture with us
- **work with us** to maintain and document your visa or status
- **ask us for help** in obtaining training and employment
- **ask us for** travel authorizations

New International Student Orientation
Basic Requirements
for F-1 Students and J-1 Exchange Visitors

☑ Your passport must be valid for 6 months into the future.

☑ Visa stamp from U.S. Embassy.

☑ Get authorization to transfer to another school, work in the United States, or travel outside the United States.

☑ Keep copies of all above documents, and I-94, and I-20 or DS2019.

☑ Undergraduate students must register for 12+ credits each semester.
Graduate students must register for at least 9+ credits each semester.

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One to World

Join us for:

- Cultural Events
- Community Visits
- Volunteer Activities

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Counseling & Wellness Services

- **Counseling** — College can be challenging. Talk to a counselor about it. Please visit Counseling and Wellness at [hunter.cuny.edu/cws](http://hunter.cuny.edu/cws)

- **Workshops** — Learn strategies to increase your confidence, reduce stress, keep your relationships healthy, and achieve success.


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Academic Advising

- **Academic Advisors** — Advisors will help you plan your program and get the courses you need. Visit hunter.cuny.edu/advising

- **Program Planning Tools**
  - Academic Calendar — bit.ly/hunteracadcalendar
  - Course Catalogs — catalog.hunter.cuny.edu
  - Classes and schedules — bit.ly/hunterclasses

- **Departmental/Faculty Advisors** — When you select your major, you will need an advisor in your department or program.
  - Department Faculty — bit.ly/hunterfaculty
  - Programs and requirements — bit.ly/hunterprograms

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Academic Advising

▷ **Student Conduct** — What to expect in the U.S. classroom

▷ **Academic Integrity** — Why it matters — [bit.ly/hunterintegrity](bit.ly/hunterintegrity)

▷ **Student Accounts**
  - **CUNYfirst** — Review your student records, search classes, and pay fees. 
    Download the guide: [bit.ly/cunyfirstguide](bit.ly/cunyfirstguide)

  **OneCard** — Hunter Student ID: [bit.ly/hunteronecard](bit.ly/hunteronecard)

**Hunter Email** — Every Hunter student has an email address.
Find out more: [bit.ly/hunteremail](bit.ly/hunteremail)

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Registration Checklist

- Previous College Transcripts (transfer students)
- Proof of Immunization for Mumps, Measles and Rubella (MMR)
- CUNY Assessment Test
- Advanced Placement Scores
- College Now Transcript (if applicable)
- Review the Undergraduate or Graduate Course Catalog
- Speak to an Academic Advisor to plan your program

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Employment for Students Who Live in the U.S.

- Employment on campus and at other CUNY schools
- Curricular Practical Training
- Optional Practical Training
- Economic hardship
- Internships
- Academic Training

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Upcoming Workshops

- Employment Options
- Post-Completion: Optional Practical Training
- Immigration & Citizenship

For our workshop schedule, please see our calendar at bit.ly/isocalendar

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Travel Advisory

Do you plan to travel outside the United States?

- **Where and When Can You Travel?**
  Travel is restricted because of the pandemic. Some countries will not allow you to enter, or will require a quarantine period.

- **Travel Authorizations**
  Fill out our Travel Request Form so we can discuss your travel plans and sign your I-20 and DS-2019, at [bit.ly/isotravel](http://bit.ly/isotravel)

- **Re-entry**
  At the port of entry, you will receive a stamp in your passport. If you experience delays, do not be alarmed. Ask CBP officers to contact the International Students Office, **212.772.4864**

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Travel Bans

- **January 20, 2021 — President Biden Revokes Nationality-Based Travel Bans: Presidential Proclamations 9645, 9723, and 9983 and Executive Order 13780**
  - Nationals of Iran, Libya, North Korea, Somalia, Venezuela, and Yemen will no longer be subject to restrictions on nonimmigrant and immigrant visas imposed by these bans.
  - Nationals of Eritrea, Kyrgyzstan, Myanmar (Burma), Nigeria, Sudan, and Tanzania will no longer be subject to restrictions on immigrant visa restrictions imposed by these bans.

- **January 26, 2021 — Presidential Proclamation: Continuation of 14-day U.S. Entry Restrictions on Persons Who Pose a Risk of Transmitting Coronavirus Disease**
  - Affects people who were recently in the Schengen Area (26 European countries), UK, Ireland, Brazil, China or Iran. Effective January 30, South Africa will be added to this list.
Travel Bans

Through March 31, 2021 — Trump Presidential Proclamations 10014 and 10052: *Suspending Entry of Aliens Who Present a Risk to the US Labor Market Following the Coronavirus Outbreak*

- Affects H-1B and H-4 visas, although there are some exceptions.
- Does not apply to applicants who were in the United States on June 24, 2020, or who have a valid H-1B or H-4 visa issued before that date.
Travel Bans

Since June 1, 2020 — Presidential Proclamation 10043: Suspending Entry as Nonimmigrants of Certain Students and Researchers from the People’s Republic of China

- Applies to graduate and post-doctoral students on an F or J visa, if they received funding from, studied at, have been employed by, or conducted research at or on behalf of an entity in the PRC that implements or supports China’s “military-civil fusion strategy.”
- Does not automatically cancel existing visas of Chinese F and J nonimmigrants in the United States who would otherwise be covered by this ban.
- Does not apply to F or J undergraduate students.
- Does not apply to any lawful permanent resident of the United States or spouse of a US citizen or lawful permanent resident.
- Detailed summary of Proclamation — bit.ly/proclamation10043
Education Abroad

- Not available in Spring 2021. Please ask about study abroad next year. Have an adventure while you earn credits at Hunter!

hunter.cuny.edu/educationabroad
Health Insurance

These plans will not affect your eligibility for a Permanent Residency or green card:

- ISOA Insurance for international students
  www.isoa.org

- The Essential Plan from New York State of Health
  bit.ly/essentialplan

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Hunter Resources

- Tutoring and Learning Centers — bit.ly/hunterlearning
- Academic Departments — hunter.cuny.edu/academics/departments
- Division of Student Affairs — hunter.cuny.edu/studentaffairs
- College Libraries — library.hunter.cuny.edu
- College Bookstore — hunter.cuny.edu/bookstore-home
- Athletics & Recreation — huntercollegeathletics.com

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U.S. Government Resources

- Student & Exchange Visitor Program — ice.gov/sevis/students
- COVID-19 updates to the Student & Exchange Visitor Program
  Download the SEVP FAQ — bit.ly/ice-studentfaq2020
- Working While in the U.S. — ice.gov/sevis/employment
- Training Opportunities — bit.ly/us-training

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Question and Answer Session

- We will answer your questions in the order you submit them.

- Please be patient. The questions and answers will help everyone.

- You have just been emailed a survey. Please fill it out. If you did not receive it, let us know.

- For detailed questions about your personal situation, please email intlss@hunter.cuny.edu

- Review this slide show at bit.ly/iso-orientation