

Students should print this sheet out and keep a copy with them as they travel to the site as well as leave a copy with their family.

Check latest advice about carry-on luggage restrictions:

All students should carefully read the latest travel advice before preparing to travel to the UK. You should confirm luggage restrictions, both checked and in particular carry-on.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) website contains the latest updates regarding which items are and are not permitted on flights from the US and what security checks will take place at the airport.

www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items

Finally, be sure to check with your individual airline; packing restrictions will vary from airline to airline (even from flight to flight), so this is essential.

Paperwork & Customs Procedures:

During the flight, you will be given a landing card by flight attendants if you are not an EU citizen. You must complete this and keep it with the other important documents listed below to present to immigration officers.

After exiting the plane, passengers will initially go through passport and immigration control. There are usually two different lines - one for European Economic Area and Swiss nationals, and one for everyone else. Make sure you join the right queue.

Information on immigration (visas) featured prominently in the Next Stop NYU London blog: <https://nyulondonspring2017.wordpress.com/start-here/>

Unless you have a passport issued by a European Economic Area country (which is the EU countries plus Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein) or Switzerland, you need a visa to enter the UK.

There are two visa options

1. Student Visitor
2. Student Visa (Tier 4 General)

Student Visitor

If you are a visa national and planned to enter the UK as a Student Visitor, you will have applied for this visa prior to arriving in the UK and have a vignette in your passport to show immigration control upon arrival. If you are a US passport holder, you can apply to enter the UK as a Student Visitor on arrival. There is no charge for doing this.

You will need:

- A Student Visitor Support Letter (provided by NYU), confirming your student status
- Your passport
- Evidence of funds (usually a recent bank statement) to support yourself without working or recourse to 'public funds'.

We also recommend bringing evidence of your departure date from the UK (confirmation of your return flight).

You are not permitted to take employment with a Student Visitor visa, whether paid or unpaid.

Student Visa (General Tier 4)

If you have applied for prior entry clearance (Tier 4 (General) Student Visa) you will need to show your entry clearance vignette (in your passport) to an Immigration Officer when you land in the UK. You are unlikely to be asked many questions, unless the Immigration Officer suspects that there may have been a change in your circumstances since the entry clearance was issued. However, you are advised to bring with you your CAS letter and copies of any other documents used in support of your application.

The Tier 4 (General) Student Visa usually (check the wording on your visa) allows you to undertake certain types of employment for up to 20 hours per week during term-time. It does not guarantee your employment though. NYU London is your Tier 4 Sponsor for immigration purposes. That means we have a duty to monitor your compliance with your visa restrictions, such as working hours restrictions, class attendance and length of stay compliance, and report any infractions to the UK Government.

Luggage:

If you have missing luggage, speak to airport staff and file a report BEFORE you exit the luggage carousel area. Keep a copy of any paperwork you are given. Remember to pack light, confirm your luggage limits with your airline, and ensure that your necessary items (medication, paperwork, etc.) are in your carry-on.

Arrival Date and Time:

All students must check in: **Wednesday 25th January**

Go directly to your check-in address (see next point, below).

NYU London residences

Staff will be available in all residences to welcome you during the main check in hours (8:00 a.m. – 5:00pm.) on 25th January.

You can arrive later that day if you wish, and collect keys to your room from reception upon arrival – though there is a mandatory housing orientation at 6.00pm.

Check In Address:

You will shortly receive an email confirming your housing assignment for the coming semester in London. Within this email are details of your housing allocation. Students should check in at the appropriate address for their residence:

- **BYRON COURT: 26-34 Mecklenburgh Square, London WC1N 2AF**
- **GUILFORD HOUSE: 74-76 Guilford Street, London, WC1N 1DF**
- **URBANEST Kings Cross: Canal Reach, London, N1C 4BE**
- **UNITE Woburn Place: 19-29 Woburn Place, London, WC1H 0AQ**

It is important that you check in at the listed check in address for your residence. Please print out your Housing Placement email and keep it in your hand luggage with all other important documents. If you have any further questions please email london.housing@nyu.edu.

Getting from the airport to your residence:

All NYU London students must travel independently to their check in address. Detailed transportation instructions and directions to your NYU London residence are available in the “Getting from the airport” guides which can be found in the Next Stop blog postings. Print out this document and keep this with your other essential information.

Oystercard travel - Please read carefully

All students will receive an oyster card with £35 pay-as-you-go travel credit when they check-in.

If traveling from Heathrow on public transport (London underground) it will cost you £6 in cash, but £3.10 on an oyster card. Therefore you can purchase an oystercard at Heathrow and then use it to travel to London and save yourself money. You can then refund this oystercard at an underground station in London.

If something happens to your travel schedule – let us know:

NYU London Academic Centre
6 Bedford Square
London WC1B 3RA

The Academic Centre will be open on arrival day from 8:00am to midnight.

Email hub@nyu.ac.uk or call freephone (from the UK) 0800-316-0469 and select option 2 should you experience delays or any difficulties on check-in day.

Remember, the airline is going to be your best source of information. We cannot make them do things for you or assist you beyond advising, translating, and making recommendations. They will not give us or your family your information, so you have to speak with them.

Notify your family:

Remind your family not to expect a phone call or email as quickly as if you were coming alone as a tourist. Make plans as to whether you will call or email your family and then make sure YOU do it.

To call the US from London, you'll need to dial the US country code (001). Then dial the relevant area code followed by the rest of the telephone number.

Remember, we will NOT give out any information to family and friends beyond if you have arrived. There are NO EXCEPTIONS to this rule.

Orientation:

Mandatory Orientation events will occur from Thursday 26th January to Friday 27th January, with additional voluntary activities through until Monday 30th January.

You will receive a detailed schedule upon check-in.