



Pre-Arrival Checklist For Incoming International Students

Required:

◇ **Activate Your eRaider Account**

- You will receive an email from Texas Tech with your username, activation code and instructions about how to activate your account.

◇ **Obtain the Appropriate Visa**

- Submit the required documents to your admissions counsellor. Go to <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/international/iss/f1/howtogetavisa.php> for more information.
- Make an appointment with the U.S. Consulate or Embassy in your country
- Wait to purchase your airline tickets until after you have received your visa.

◇ **Register for On-Campus Housing**

- First-year students are required to live on campus. Other students may prefer to live off campus. Research off-campus housing options in Lubbock: <http://www.lubbockapartments.com/>.
- Rooms in the residence halls fill up quickly, so register for on-campus housing as soon as possible: <http://housing.ttu.edu/>.
- Students living in the residence halls are required to purchase a meal plan. Select the plan that will best fit your needs: <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/hospitality/>.
- Arrange temporary housing if you will arrive in Lubbock before the residence halls are open or before your apartment is ready.

◇ **Immunizations**

- Review the medical requirements for international students: <http://www.ttuhs.edu/studenthealth/Internationalstudents.aspx>.
- Provide proof of immunizations to Student Health Services or get immunized.
- You will not be able to register for classes or move into the residential halls until Student Health Services receive your medical records.

◇ **Register for Red Raider Orientation**

- Register for the orientation session that best fits your arrival schedule: <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/studentengagement/redraiderorientation/beforeyouregister.php>.
- You cannot register for classes until you attend Red Raider Orientation.

◇ **Registration Holds**

- It is important to take care of any registration holds before Red Raider Orientation or you will not be able to register for classes. For more information about holds visit the RRO website: <https://www.depts.ttu.edu/studentengagement/Admitted/registrationholds.php>.
- Use your eRaider account to sign into Raiderlink to check for holds on your account: <http://raiderlink.ttu.edu>.

◇ **TSI Pre-Assessment Activity**

- The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) was implemented to ensure that incoming students have acquired the necessary skills to succeed in courses at a college level. All incoming students must take the TSI test unless they qualify for an exemption. For more information about the TSI test and the Pre-Assessment Activity, visit the TSI website: <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/registrar/tsi/>.
- Before you take the TSI test, you must complete the on-line Pre-Assessment Activity: <http://plc.soar.ttu.edu/tasp/relay.html>.

◇ **Math Placement Exam**

- Some majors require incoming students to take the Math Placement Exam. Visit the Department of Mathematics and Statistics website for more information: <http://www.math.ttu.edu/Undergraduate/Resources/placement.shtml>.

◇ **Chemistry Placement Exam**

- Some majors require incoming students to take the Chemistry Placement Exam. Please visit the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry website for more information: <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/chemistry/Departmental/cpex.php>.

Recommended:

◇ **Flywire by peerTransfer Account**

- Flywire by peerTransfer allows students to submit international payments to Texas Tech University. Visit the peerTransfer website for more information: <https://www.peertransfer.com/>.
- Here is a step-by-step guide to paying your tuition and fee bill using Flywire by peerTransfer: www.depts.ttu.edu/AdminFinance/FormRepository/SBS/payingBill/Peer%20Transfer%20Step%20by%20Step.pdf.