

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

FOR INTERNATIONAL SPONSORED STUDENTS

Congratulations on being accepted to attend the University of Missouri as a sponsored student! To jump-start your semester, we have organized an orientation to help you acclimate to the MU environment. **International Student Welcome will begin Monday, Aug. 15, 2016.** You are also required to attend the Sponsored Student Orientation session from Thursday, Aug. 18, in S110 Memorial Union (graduate students: 9-10:30 a.m.; undergraduate students: 10:30 a.m.-noon).

Arrival assistance for sponsored students includes:

- Assistance with residence hall check-ins for undergraduate students living on campus.
- Pick up from Columbia Regional Airport. Students cannot be picked up from the airports in St. Louis or Kansas City; it is recommended that students flying into these airports use a shuttle service to get to Columbia.
- Assistance opening a bank account.
- Transportation to a local store within your first few days in Columbia.

In order to receive arrival assistance, you must fill out the arrival information form, which can be found at the end of this handout, and return it no later than **Aug. 1.**

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you need to reserve temporary accommodations before moving into your apartment or residence hall, the following hotels are within walking distance of campus:

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| ■ The Tiger Hotel
23 S. 8th St.
Columbia, MO 65201
phone: +1 573-875-8888
web: thetigerhotel.com | ■ The Broadway Hotel
1111 E. Broadway
Columbia, MO 65201
phone: +1 573-875-7000
web: thebroadwaycolumbia.com | ■ Hampton Inn and Suites
Columbia
1225 Fellows Place
Columbia, MO 65201
phone: +1 573-214-2222 |
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If you will live off campus and are still searching for an apartment, additional information and resources are available at offcampus.missouri.edu.

GETTING TO COLUMBIA

Columbia is located about halfway between St. Louis and Kansas City (each about 125 miles away) and can be reached either by airline or shuttle service.

- **Shuttle service:** You can use an airport shuttle (van service) to get to Columbia from St. Louis or Kansas City. There are two airport shuttle services based in Columbia: MO-X (moexpress.com), which serves the St. Louis and Kansas City airports, and EZGO Bus (ezgobusmo.com), which serves the St. Louis airport. Please check their websites for schedules and prices.
- **Flights:** Another option is to arrange for a flight directly to the Columbia Regional Airport. For information about available flights, go to flymidmo.com. The airport is about a 20-minute drive from campus. If you submit the Arrival Information form, an International Center staff member will be able to pick you up and transport you to campus.

Please be sure to inform the International Center of any changes or delays in your arrival schedule so that plans can be made accordingly. To report delays, call +1 573-882-6007 and ask to speak with Lauren Pate. Please leave a voicemail, including a call-back number, if your call is not answered immediately, and you will be contacted as soon as possible, even if you are calling after business hours.

Please return the arrival form on the next page as soon as you have made your travel plans, even if you do not need arrival assistance. Remember to include a passport-sized photo of yourself in the email or fax when returning the form.



International Center
University of Missouri

Lauren Pate
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+1 573-882-6007

N52 Memorial Union
Columbia, MO 65211
international.missouri.edu

Please complete and return this form to Lauren Pate by email (patelaur@missouri.edu), regardless of whether or not you are requesting assistance, no later than **Aug. 1, 2016**.

The mandatory International Student Welcome begins Monday, Aug. 15, 2016.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Sponsoring agency: _____

Country of citizenship: _____

Home telephone (with country code): _____

Email address: _____

**Please include a
passport-sized photo
of yourself in the
email or fax when
returning this form.**

FLIGHT SCHEDULE

Date of departure: _____ Airline/flight number: _____

Connecting flight(s): _____

Date/time of arrival in Mo.: _____ Airline/flight number: _____

Arrival airport: St. Louis Kansas City Columbia

How do you plan to reach Columbia?

(Check the appropriate box and provide details.)

Connecting flight to Columbia Regional Airport

Flight number: _____

Date/time of arrival: _____

Airport shuttle: MO-X EZGO Bus

Date/time of arrival: _____

(You can request door-to-door service.)

Other: _____

IMPORTANT:

Please indicate below whether or not you would like to receive assistance upon your arrival.

Yes, I request arrival assistance.

No, I do not request arrival assistance.

If you encounter delays that will affect your arrival time, please call +1 573-882-6007 and leave a message detailing your revised plan.

Where do you need to go after arrival? Please provide the address (if known).

On-campus residence hall: _____

Apartment: _____

Hotel: _____

Other: _____