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International Student Checklist

Welcome to Kirkwood!

Use this checklist to prepare for your Kirkwood arrival. This checklist is also available in your [International Student Portal](#).



<https://intlstudent.kirkwood.edu>

Confirm your travel plans

As soon as your visa is issued and you have booked your plane ticket, upload a copy of your visa and flight info to the International Student Portal.

Airport pickup from the Eastern Iowa Airport (CID), about five miles from the Cedar Rapids Main Campus, can be arranged by contacting Global Learning at least 30 days before your travel date.

It is important you arrive with enough cash to pay your expenses for the first few days. Approximately \$300–\$500 (USD) should be adequate until you open a local bank account.

Report to the Global Learning office

At least 10 days before school begins, report in person to the Global Learning office located on the Cedar Rapids campus in room 2008 Iowa Hall or at the Kirkwood Regional Center at the University of Iowa.

Bring the following:

- Passport
- Form I-20
- Form I-94 (original or printed from www.cbp.gov/I94)
- Local address, telephone number, and email address, if available

Purchase or show proof of student health insurance

The high cost of healthcare in the U.S. presents serious financial risks for international students. Kirkwood Community College requires all international students and their dependents to have proof of medical insurance. Kirkwood's student health insurance fee will be charged to your account when you register for classes. Your health insurance will start the first day of the term. Failure to provide proof of payment for health insurance may result in your class registration being canceled.



Plan your housing

Kirkwood partners with apartments within walking distance of campus. There are affordable private living options that allow students to have their own rooms with one to four roommates. Kirkwood's Housing website, www.kirkwood.edu/internationalhousing, provides information about each of these properties, including maps, pricing, pictures, and floor plans of the apartments near campus. If you are looking for a housing referral, submit the International Housing Interest Form upon visa approval and 30 days before your arrival on campus. This form is a preliminary form for housing. Once a property has been decided, you will fill out an application for that property.

Take placement tests

Kirkwood requires placement tests to demonstrate English and math proficiency. Non-native English speakers may submit evidence of English language proficiency and/or test scores to ela@kirkwood.edu.

Examples of evidence include one of the following:

- ACT composite score of 18 or higher with English sub score of 18 or higher
- SAT writing score of 430 or higher
- IELTS of 6.0 (valid for three years)
- Duolingo score of 90 or higher (valid for two years)
- TOEFL paper-based scores of 500 or higher or Internet-based (IBT) TOEFL of 63 or higher (valid for two years)

If you do not have evidence, you will need to take the ELA placement test. This test can be scheduled in Zoom before you arrive at www.kirkwood.edu/ela. Some classes require additional prerequisites, and/or placement tests may need to be submitted to an academic department.

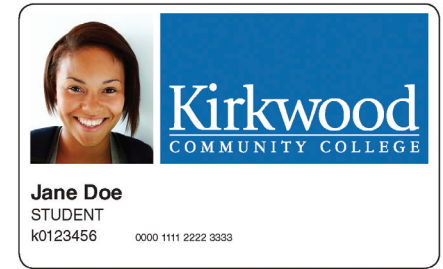
Register for required international student orientation

New student orientation is required for all new international students. Register for orientation in the International Student Portal.

Register for classes and pay tuition

International students register at orientation for their courses on campus after checking in at the Global Learning office.

Tuition is due prior to classes starting. To pay your bill, go to MyHub. You may pay in full or set up a payment plan. Questions about payment can be addressed by the Student Services office.



Get your EagleCard

An EagleCard is your official Kirkwood identification card. Once you register for classes, visit the EagleCard offices located in room 131 Nielsen Hall, the Recreation Center on Main Campus, or at the Iowa Hall Information Desk. You will need a photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport.



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Bookstore	Iowa Hall	319-398-5469
ELA Office	2008 Iowa Hall	319-398-5668
Global Learning	2008 Iowa Hall	319-398-5579
Student Services	Iowa Hall	319-398-7600
Test Center	2055 Cedar Hall	319-398-5456

KIRKWOOD REGIONAL CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

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Student Services	Room 100	319-887-3658
Global Learning	Room 114	319-887-3628
Test Center	Room 126	319-887-3642