All of us in the Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS) welcome you to DePaul University! This email is part of a series of communications our office is sending to help you prepare for your arrival in Chicago. Also please don’t forget to visit our website to learn more about how to register for your international student orientation and what to expect.

THIS WEEK: PACKING & ARRIVAL
It is time to pack your bags! As you decide what to bring to Chicago and what to leave home – we recommend that you bring only as much as you can carry alone – all at one time – around 1 city block!

PACK IN YOUR CARRY ON BAG

Immigration Materials
- Passport, Visa, DS-2019 or I-20
- Proof of SEVIS payment
- Documentation of Financial support
- Documentation of health insurance (J-1 Students Only)

Money
- Cash
- Traveler’s Checks
- Cash/Debit cards and credit cards

Health Records and Medications
- Records of required immunizations for yourself and people traveling with you
- Prescription drugs to last you two months
- Medical records to give your new physician (preferably in English)
- List of allergies

Correspondence from DePaul University
- Letter of admission
- Housing assignment if given (if living off campus, bring your address)
- Orientation information
- Contact information for OISS: 312-362-8376
- Contact information for DePaul Public Safety: 773-325-7777 (Available 24 Hours/Day)

Other Items
- Laptop if you have one (make sure you back up all the data that is on your computer)
- Small electronic items such as a digital camera, iPod, calculator, etc.
- Clothing and toiletries: enough for a few days just in case your luggage is lost.

**PACK IN YOUR CHECKED BAG**
- Clothes that will suit the Chicago climate (hot summer, cold winter)
- At least one pair of good walking shoes
- Important books
- List of emergency phone numbers for both home and DePaul University
- Make sure there is a card with your Chicago address inside each suitcase you are carrying.

**ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT**
Read more about [transportation](#) from the airport to the city on our website.

Do you want to know what advice current international students have on what to pack? Check out the [Welcome Video](#)!

Let us know if you have any questions. You can always reach us at oiss@depaul.edu.

Again, welcome to DePaul University!

Best regards,
Hiwoté, Garrett, Jennie, Amanda, Dan, Ewa, Sandra, Justin, and Monica
The OISS Team

*Why am I receiving this email?*
Soon you will be arriving in Chicago to begin your academic adventure here at DePaul University. DePaul is a large university and the Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS) will connect you to the many resources you need to be successful here. In the weeks preceding your arrival OISS will send you emails with information that will help you prepare for your arrival. In case you miss any of our communication, we will also have it posted to our [website](#) so you may catch up on the various topics covered.