

JMU International Study Center Confirmation and Pre-Arrival Instructions

Confirmation Checklist: Submit the following documents and information to obtain your Form I-20

- ☐ Signed Acceptance of Offer Form
- ☐ Signed JMU ISC Terms and Conditions Form
- ☐ Certified Financial Statement: this includes signed account statements from the bank, signed letters attesting to the status of the account from the bank and official sponsorship letters. Your financial statement must demonstrate enough funds to cover one year of study (estimated **\$51,110 USD/year** for 2025-26 academic year, and **\$53,250** for 2026-27).
- ☐ Optional: Confirm where we should ship your I20 once it's been issued including contact name, company (if applicable), address, city, postal code (if applicable) and phone number.
- ☐ Other immigration documentation: If you currently hold an F-1 visa and I-20 from another US institution, send scans of the current visa, I-20 and recent I94 (<https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/>), and complete the ISAR form (<https://www.jmu.edu/global/isss/forms-pdf/isar.pdf>)

What should you do after you receive your Form I20?

- ☐ Complete your [online visa application](#)
- ☐ Schedule your visa interview
- ☐ Pay your SEVIS fee
- ☐ Prepare required visa interview documents
- ☐ Schedule your Pre-arrival Discussion Call if requested by Admissions
- ☐ Attend your visa interview and let us know if you received your visa by contacting Admissions@studygroup.com

After you apply for your visa, prepare for your arrival

- ☐ Check your JMU email at least once per day for important updates.
- ☐ Complete Start Smart, the virtual pre-arrival orientation.
- ☐ Complete all required pre-arrival testing
- ☐ Notify us when you receive your visa by contacting Admissions@studygroup.com
- ☐ Sign and Return Your Housing Confirmation Document
- ☐ Submit your flight arrival form
- ☐ Book your arrival hotel, if needed
- ☐ Complete and submit required health forms and documentation
- ☐ Pay the balance on your tuition statement
- ☐ Arrive on campus on time and attend the full orientation
- ☐ Upon arrival, submit academic documents (transcripts) that have been certified and stamped by the appropriate authority at the issuing institution must be submitted to the university in the **original sealed envelope. If the envelope has been previously opened, the documents are no longer considered official and will not be accepted.** Original complete certificates (degree or secondary school test results) must also be presented to the university at arrival.
- ☐ Please contact Admissions@studygroup.com with any questions related to pre-arrival/orientation.