

# YOU'RE IN! NOW LET'S PLAN FOR THE MONTHS AHEAD.

## FIRST STEP: Activate your NetID and enroll in two-step login

Activate your NetID 1–2 days after your offer of admission at [netid.rutgers.edu](https://netid.rutgers.edu) to gain access to the myRutgers portal ([my.rutgers.edu](https://my.rutgers.edu)), where you can view important information about next steps. Then enroll in two-step login with Duo to access most Rutgers services and tools requiring a NetID login. Learn more at [twostep.rutgers.edu](https://twostep.rutgers.edu).

### STUDENT VISA INTERVIEW

Now that you've been admitted, we want to ensure you receive your I-20 from Rutgers and arrive at your student visa interview with all required documentation. Visit [admissions.rutgers.edu/visa](https://admissions.rutgers.edu/visa) and follow the steps to prepare for your scheduled appointment.

## February

### □ Submit the required documents for your I-20 *February–June*

To receive your I-20, you must first accept our offer of admission and submit the necessary financial documents. Please monitor your email after accepting your admission for detailed instructions on how to request your Rutgers Form I-20 through the RGlobal Portal.

## March

### □ Scholarship and honors notification *March*

Scholarship recipients will receive details about their scholarship by email as part of their financial aid award in spring 2026. All students who opted in for honors consideration on their admissions application will be notified by email about their decision for the Honors College.

### □ Complete placement tests *starting March 9 (within 30 days of enrollment)*

Placement testing for math, English, and most world languages is conducted online. Upon activating your NetID, your tests can be accessed at [my.rutgers.edu](https://my.rutgers.edu) under “Required for Enrollment.” Please complete tests within 30 days of enrolling. Students awaiting accommodations are not subject to these timelines.

### □ Complete your housing application *March–June 5*

- Access the application at [my.rutgers.edu](https://my.rutgers.edu) after you have enrolled and activated your NetID.
- Interested in living with a smaller group of students that share a common interest? Consider an academic, special interest, or themed living-learning community. Explore the different offerings and choose one that best fits your interests at [ruoncampus.rutgers.edu/rulc](https://ruoncampus.rutgers.edu/rulc).

### □ Obtain your I-20, pay your SEVIS I-901 fee, and apply for a visa *March–July*

After receiving your I-20 from Rutgers, pay your SEVIS I-901 fee at [fmjfee.com](https://fmjfee.com) and apply for your visa at a U.S. embassy or consulate. Visit [ice.gov/sevis/i901/faq](https://ice.gov/sevis/i901/faq) for more information. Need help preparing for your scheduled interview? Visit [admissions.rutgers.edu/visa](https://admissions.rutgers.edu/visa).

### □ Choose a tuition payment plan (optional) *March–mid-July*

Rutgers offers several tuition payment plans that allow you to pay your term bill charges over time in convenient monthly installments. For more information, visit [go.rutgers.edu/paymentplan](https://go.rutgers.edu/paymentplan).

## April

### □ Attend Admitted Student Open House *April 11 (optional)*

Save the date for Admitted Student Open House on Saturday, April 11. Check your email for Open House details and registration information.

## May

### □ **Accept our offer of admission** *by May 1*

Accept our offer of admission at [admissions.rutgers.edu/accept](https://admissions.rutgers.edu/accept). After May 1, we cannot guarantee your space will remain available.

## June

### □ **Submit your immunization record** *by June 1*

All incoming students are required to comply with NJ State and University immunization requirements. The requirements and reporting processes are found on the Rutgers Immunization website at [rutgers.edu/student-immunizations](https://rutgers.edu/student-immunizations).

### □ **Submit your housing application** *by June 5*

### □ **Make your housing selection** *mid-June*

- You will be notified when to make your selection. At your scheduled time, you will choose your residence hall and room based on availability.
- Create a back-up plan should your preference become unavailable at the time of selection.
- Students participating in honors housing or a living-learning community will not be required to participate in the housing selection process, as housing will be assigned.

### □ **Prepare for arrival in the U.S.** *June–August*

For information to assist you in preparing for your arrival, visit [global.rutgers.edu/pre-and-post-arrival-steps](https://global.rutgers.edu/pre-and-post-arrival-steps) and [ice.gov/sevis/students](https://ice.gov/sevis/students). F-1 visa holders currently in the U.S. should work with their school adviser to have their SEVIS record transferred to Rutgers.

### □ **Sign up for International Student Orientation** *June–August*

This mandatory, multi-day orientation will prepare you for a successful first semester at Rutgers. Sign up at [my.rutgers.edu](https://my.rutgers.edu).

### □ **Complete academic planning and advising** *June–August*

Learn about degree requirements and plan your fall course schedule. You are more likely to graduate on time by registering for at least 15 credits per semester. Find more information at [my.rutgers.edu](https://my.rutgers.edu).

## July

### □ **Submit your final official record(s)** *by July 1*

Your final records must include certification of any diplomas or degrees, as well as final grades for courses in progress at the time of your admission. Transcripts can be sent directly from your institution electronically via Naviance/Parchment or SCOIR, emailed to [transcripts@admissions.rutgers.edu](mailto:transcripts@admissions.rutgers.edu), or mailed to: University Enrollment Services Admissions Processing, Proctor Hall, 65 Davidson Road, Suite 308, Piscataway, NJ 08854. Please note that it takes an average of two weeks for your Application Portal to confirm receipt of your final official transcript. If you need an extension on this deadline, please contact [ruinternational@admissions.rutgers.edu](mailto:ruinternational@admissions.rutgers.edu).

### □ **View your term bill** *mid-July*

Term bills are available at [finance.rutgers.edu/student-abc](https://finance.rutgers.edu/student-abc) beginning in mid-July. Payment due dates begin in August. See payment plan options at [go.rutgers.edu/paymentplan](https://go.rutgers.edu/paymentplan).

## August

### □ **Housing assignments finalized** *early August*

### □ **Pay your term bill at** [finance.rutgers.edu/student-abc](https://finance.rutgers.edu/student-abc) *mid-August*

### □ **Attend International Student Orientation** *late-August*

Now that you have arrived at Rutgers, learn about resources available to you as a Rutgers student, hear tips and strategies to best navigate the campus, and connect with other new students and student leaders as you adjust to life in the U.S.

## September

### □ **Fall semester begins** *September 1*