New Graduate Student Checklist

Essentials:

- Confirm your attendance: Contact your advisor and discuss academic expectations, resources, and graduate orientation requirements.
- Sign up for a Patriot Pass account to access Patriot Web, myMason, Library databases, wireless
- Check deadlines and register for classes on Patriot Web
- Get your Mason photo ID
- Activate your email account in MasonLive to receive all official university communications regarding your student status
- Get familiar with the myMason portal for login to Blackboard and your student email account
- Use People Finder to find students, faculty, and staff
- Explore campus. Find out about Parking & Transportation.
- Submit your required Immunization Record
- Check Student Health Services for student health insurance
- Pay your tuition and fees
- Enroll in the Mason Alert emergency messaging system

Supplies, Housing, and Food:

- Purchase your textbooks from the campus bookstore
- Need a computer or software? Get discounts at Patriot Computers.
- Need a place to live? Check out Graduate Student Housing & the Off-Campus Housing website
- Eating on campus? Check out Dining and Meal Plans

Special Populations:

- Are you an international student? Be sure to connect with the Office of International Programs & Services
- Are you an on-line education student?
- Are you a Military or Veteran Student?

Get Involved:

- Find out about events and workshops just for graduate students by Graduate Student Life
- Bookmark the Graduate Student Life website and connect on Facebook and Twitter
- GAPSA - Graduate and Professional Student Association
- Graduate student organizations
- Recreation (aquatics, club sports, fitness, facilities) and Athletics
- Meet your fellow students in the lounge or use the study area in the Graduate Student Center in 310 and 311E Johnson Center, Fairfax Campus

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