



International Student Services Office

F-1 Student Travel Tips

TRAVELING TO THE UNITED STATES

Do not forget to pack the following documents in your carry-on luggage:

- Passport
- F-1 visa
- Form I-20

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER

- You cannot enter the country more than 30 days before the program start date indicated on your I-20.
- Your passport must be valid for at least six months before you board the plane. Airport customs will not allow you to board the plane if it is valid for less than six months!
- You cannot enter the country after your program start date on your I-20 unless you speak with the ISS office at Marymount Manhattan College.
- Make sure the officer stamps you correctly at Customs and Border Protection. The stamp should say "F-1 D/S".
- If you are traveling by car, it is very important you get out of the car and speak to a CBP officer. They should give you a paper I-94 card stapled to your passport.

Emergency Contact:

212-517-0582 --- please use this for emergencies ONLY during non-office hours

212-517-0484 --- office work number; office hours are 9AM-5PM Monday-Friday

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