Next Steps for Newly Admitted Ph.D. students
-International Students-

Before arrival:
- Activate your USC e-mail and USC NetID.
- Access MyUSC and OASIS
- Review Immunizations and Screenings Requirements and submit your proof to Health Center by the add/drop deadline.
- Sign up for Passport Verification (PPV).
- Check your proficiency in English on the letter of admission and your I-20 (No.6), and review International Student English (ISE) exam policies. Please note if your English proficiency scores are below the exam requirements, we recommend you take the appropriate test again to avoid taking the ISE exam.
- Bring all your original diploma and transcripts with you to USC to prepare for the degree verification.

After arrival:
- Attend Passport Verification (PPV).
- Get your USC ID card at the USCard Services (after PPV on campus).
- Take the International Student English (ISE) exam (if applicable).
- By the add/drop deadline, submit the correct immunization and blood test proof to USC Health Center.
- Contact academic advisor in your department for your academic plan.
- Attend a Viterbi-One Stop Session or meet with your department to set up your assistantship or fellowship.
- Access MyUSC and OASIS to get your permit to register and your registration time.
  - View this tutorial on Web Registration.
  - Register for classes through MyUSC and Web Registration.
- Check your bill at MyUSC. Email Tracy Charles at tcharles@usc.edu if you have any questions.
- View your book list on OASIS and purchase your textbooks from the USC Bookstore or any retailer of your choice.
- Complete your Mandatory Training for Grad Students
- Update your local address after you move in your living place.
- Review Important Dates and Deadlines for the upcoming academic year.
- Before the end of the first semester, complete your international prior degree verification. Note: We recommend that you bring all your original diploma and updated transcript with you to USC.
- Get Involved!
  - Connect with USC Viterbi Graduate Programs.
  - Viterbi Career Connections services and programs.
  - Viterbi Graduate Student Association (VGSA).
  - Viterbi Student Organizations.
  - USC Student Organizations.

- Sign up for Direct Deposit
  - Instructions for International Students