

# Pre-Arrival Checklist for Spring 2022

1. **Visa:** Set up an appointment for a visa interview as early as possible. In case you are unsuccessful the first time, you will need sufficient time to reschedule. *U.S. embassies and consulates are beginning the phased resumption of routine visa services. The dates for each embassy or consulate will depend on local conditions. We are unable to provide details for each location. Please monitor the [embassy or consulate website](#) for updates.*

2. **Flight:** All international students need to make plans for arrival based on the following schedule:

- January 3<sup>rd</sup>: Arrival Days
- Prior to January 10<sup>th</sup>: Immigration Check-In with the Global Engagement Office. Click [here](#) to make an appointment.

The arrival days for Spring 2022 are tentatively set and detailed information will be forthcoming.

Samford will follow the travel guidelines and recommendations of the CDC. As you know, this guidance is subject to change multiple times between now and your arrival to campus. See the latest CDC guidance [here](#). Also, you can stay updated by checking the “Travel” section of the Samford COVID-19 [FAQ webpage](#) and emailing [covid19info@samford.edu](mailto:covid19info@samford.edu) with any specific questions that you have regarding arrival expectations.

**3. Immigration Check-In: ALL international students must attend a mandatory Immigration Check-In led by the Global Engagement Office (GEO) prior to beginning classes.**

4. Read the **[Global Engagement Booklet](#)** to guide you in setting up your Samford email and portal access, packing for Alabama weather, making final arrangements before leaving your country of residence, and so much more!

5. **Housing:** Secure a place to live. Undergraduate students living on campus should fill out the housing application and contract and it should be submitted via your **Application Status Page**. Graduate students should begin contacting apartment complexes. A few apartment options are listed in the pre-arrival booklet. With advanced notice, the GEO staff can help students arrange off-campus housing during semester breaks.

**6. Health Insurance:**

Med+Proctor will email you at your Samford email account with instructions for creating an account and providing your health information. Upload forms online [via Med+Proctor](#). Failure to submit this document at least two weeks before arrival date will result in a \$150 fine and/or a registration hold on your student record.