Pre-departure Check List for Overseas Students

Before Leaving Home

Arrange student visa
Make contact with the Institute
Arrange for immunisations and medications from your doctor
Apply for a credit card and/or arrange sufficient funds
Confirm overseas access to your funds with your bank
Make travel arrangements
Arrange travel insurance
Advise institution of travel details
Arrange accommodation
Arrange transport from airport to accommodation

Pack bags being sure to include the following:
Name and contact details of an institution representative
Enough currency for taxis, buses, phone calls & in the event of an emergency

Important Documents:
Student handbook
Passport
Letter of offer
E-CoE
Certified copies of qualifications & certificates
Travel insurance policy
ID cards, driver’s licence, birth certificate (copy)

Note: Make sure you leave any originals or copies of these documents safely with family in your home country in case of loss.

Upon Arrival in Australia

Call home
Settle into accommodation
Purchase household items and food
Enrol children in school (if applicable)
Attend international student orientation
Get student ID card
Advise health insurance company of address & get card
Open a bank account
Attend faculty/course specific orientation sessions
Get textbooks
Start classes
Apply for tax file number if seeking work
Get involved in student life and associations (eg music, sporting and cultural clubs)