DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

International Student Services Division of Student Success Center

What to Bring & Expect

Documentation

- Please report to the DSU International Student Services office, Union 308, upon arrival to the campus.
- Bring your DSU acceptance letter, initial DSU I-20, I-94, passport, visa, and any additional admissions requirements that are needed (such as official financial statement or medical documents).
 - If the I-94 is not issued by US Customs upon arrival in to the U.S., it can be printed online in the International Student Services office when you arrive on campus.
- Your DSU acceptance letter, I-20, I-94, passport, and visa should be kept together at all times during travel.

Dressing for the Climate

- There are two distinct seasons in Cleveland, MS, winter and summer.
- In January, the average high/low temperature is 51F/31F (10.5C/-0C).
 - Please note that in January and other winter months, Mississippi tends to experience heavy amounts of rain and sometimes ice, sleet, and occasional snow.
- In July the average high/low temperature is 93F/72F (33.9C/22C).
 - Please note that during July and other summer months, Mississippi experiences a high humidity rate, which means the temperature may feel much higher than actually recorded.
- The average rain fall per month is 4.59 inches.

Residential Needs

- Residence hall bedrooms have beds, chests, desks, chairs, and adequate closet space.
- Each student is required to furnish their own sheets, pillowcases, pillow, blankets, bedspreads, towels, bath/personal hygiene products, laundry bags, mattress covers, and shower curtain, all of which should be plainly marked with the owner's name.
- If arriving before the residence halls officially open, please contact Julie Jackson, jjackson@deltastate.edu, Director Housing, as soon as possible to request the possibility for early move-in.
 - Please note that she will need arrival time/date and there will be a \$10 per night additional fee charged to your student account for early move-in (1 day = \$10 USD, 2 days = \$20 USD, and so on).

Miscellaneous Travel Expenses

- Bring enough money to buy necessary personal items, books (about \$1,000 USD), and to pay for bus/cab service, as needed, from the airport (about \$300 USD).
 - Travel arrangements through DSU/ISS must be arranged at least 2 weeks before travel date.
- If arriving before the residence halls open and early move-in was not arranged in advance, it will be necessary to pay a hotel bill and eat at a restaurant, which you would also need to have enough money for in advance.
- It is not advisable to travel with large sums of money/cash.
- Once you open a U.S. bank account, money may be electronically transferred from home into the account.

Tuition & Fee Payments

- Tuition payments may be transferred directly to the University from one's home bank or may be paid online through MyDSU (student account).
- Tuition/fees are due the 1st day of classes.
- Payment plan options are available upon request.