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# **Orientation Objectives:**

- To provide you with information to about your immigration status.
- To introduce NJCU's programs and services.
- This presentation is available at www.njcu.edu/internationalorientation



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#### What We Do:

- IMMIGRATION ADVICE: Offer you advice on your nonimmigrant status and important rules and regulations.
- SUPPORT: Help you resolve problems and share your concerns with the University administration.







- Your primary purpose here is to study.
- We are here to give you information and support, but your immigration status is your responsibility.
- The DSO's job is to give you advice- do not take advice from friends, relatives, or the internet.
- Please ask before you do anything. If we don't know the answer, we'll find it.







# Things You Need to Know





- Send me your address and US phone number for immigration registration
- If you change your address or phone #, you MUST let us know
- J visa exchange students: submit proof of insurance





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## **GothicNet:**

Are you able to log into GothicNet and your NJCU email?

#### **Blackboard:**

Blackboard <a href="https://www.njcu.edu/academics/online-learning/blackboard">https://www.njcu.edu/academics/online-learning/blackboard</a> is the website where NJCU professors post assignments. Be sure you can log into Blackboard. You might not see anything until your classes start.





#### **Everyone:**

- Start to make payments by next week
- Bills can be paid by check or cash at the Bursars Office ONLY
- Credit card payments are ONLY accepted on line
- See <a href="https://www.njcu.edu/i-billpay">www.njcu.edu/i-billpay</a> for payment options- wire transfer is the cheapest
- Some adjustments aren't made yet. If you have a scholarship and it does not show on your bill, let us know

#### **Exchange Students:**

Bills should be room and G6 meal plan **ONLY** 

**Change in Costs:** You do not have to buy textbooks separately. The cost is built into your tuition. All class materials are on line. Information is in Blackboard.





# **G6 Meal Plan**

All on-campus international students have a G6 meal plan

- \$1,100 on-campus dining AND
- \$1,100 GrubHub/online food orders

Must have a US phone #







# **Cafeteria Hours**

The GSUB cafeteria is open 11:00- 17:00 August 28- September 2.

Full service at all eating places begins on September 3







## Insurance:

Insurance <u>is required</u> for J visa students only. It is <u>strongly recommended</u> for F visa students

Insurance options are on our website <a href="www.njcu.edu/i-healthinsurance">www.njcu.edu/i-healthinsurance</a>





# **Business Classes:**

All Business classes are at the School of Business, which is a 20 minute ride on the light rail train. Please check your schedule to make sure there is sufficient time to travel between campuses.





# **Undergraduate Transfer Students:**

If you are transferring classes from another University, meet with your academic advisor to be sure that they match NJCU requirements.





# **Semester Schedule:**

- Classes begin: September 3
- Final day to Add/Drop classes: September 10
- Last day to withdraw from a class: November 15 \*\*\*
- Final Exam Week: December 16- 22
- Fall semester ends: December 22. Students should plan to leave campus then. A short extension is possible.
  - https://www.njcu.edu/directories/offices-centers/registrar/academic-calendars/undergraduate-academic-calendar

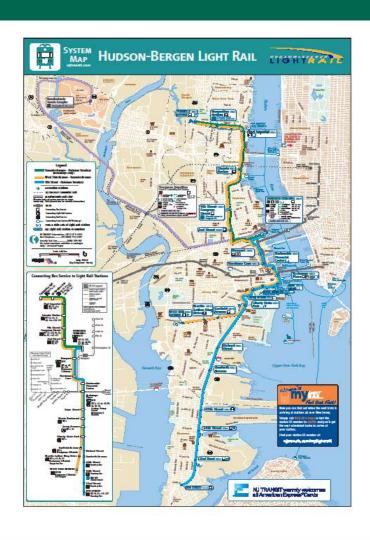




# Area Map

Learn area public transportation-Light Rail train, PATH train, busses

NJ Transit is free until September 2!







# Public Transportation www.njtransit.com

- Single ticket
- Light Rail
- Bus
- Monthly pass
- Student pass







# **Transit Pass information:**

www.njcu.edu/student-life/commuting transit pass





#### **Shuttle Service:**

The Shuttle Bus between West Campus and the main campus operates Monday- Friday 6:30 to 21:00 Saturday 7:00 19:30 and Sunday 10:00- 19:30

#### **Loop Shuttle Service:**

The Loop Shuttle service operates Monday- Thursday 8:00- 21:00. It stops at the Gym, the Arts Building, and the Westside Avenue Light Rail.

#### Pick up from the Light Rail:

If you don't want to walk back to campus from the Light Rail, call Public Safety 201-200-3128 for a ride



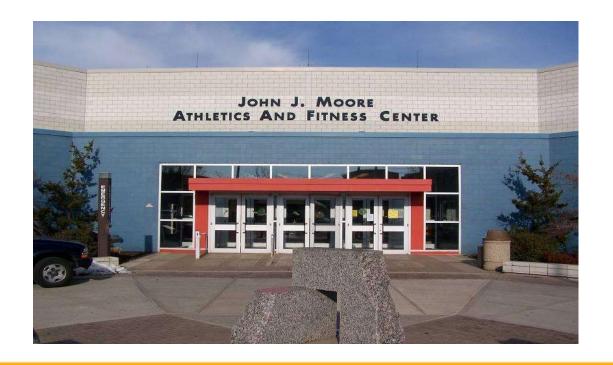


# **University Offices and Services**





# The John Moore Athletic & Fitness Center (JMAC)







# **Gym Facilities**













# Problems with Computers, Email, Gothic Net, ID and Password?

Student computer support-Professional Studies Building room 101

Email: Helpdesk@njcu.edu









## **Advisement Center**

Undergraduate students- need to change your class schedule?

Please let them know you are an international student

Graduate studentscontact your program advisor







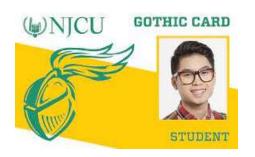
# Online and "hyflex" classes

- International students can only take a limited number of online classes each semester.
- An undergraduate student must take three face to face classes, a graduate student two.
- Additional classes can be online.
- You must physically attend hyflex classes





#### **ID Cards: "Gothic Card"**





#### **ID Cards**

Campus Card Services
Hepburn Hall Room 114
201-200-2273
Gothiccard@njcu.edu

#### **GET App**

View Account Add Funds Report lost card Open Doors Pay for meals







# **Mail Services**

Mailing Address:

Your Name

Address 1: 2039 John F. Kennedy Blvd

Address 2: Residence Hall & Room #

Jersey City, NJ 07305

Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 201-200-2094 mailservices@njcu.edu Hepburn Hall

**Room 145** 

#### Example:

Jane Doe 2039 John F. Kennedy Blvd West Campus Village 634 Jersey Ctiy, NJ 07305

Mail lockers are in Vodra Hall:



#### **Packcity**

[EXTERNAL]Your package is available in the Packcity locker

CAUTION: This email originated from outside the University. Do...



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**Health and Wellness Center** 

Vodra Hall <a href="https://www.njcu.edu/hwc">www.njcu.edu/hwc</a>









### **HWC Services**

- University Physician is available part-time
- The schedule is available at the HWC
- Services:
  - > First aid and minor urgent care
  - > Health information
  - Referrals to off-campus clinics, specialists, testing facilities, and pharmacies





# **Immunization Requirements**

Every student is required to complete the NJCU Entrance Health Form and must submit proof of immunizations

- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella): proof of vaccination for Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (2 doses)
- Hepatitis B: 3 vaccinations for Hepatitis B or a blood test showing you have immunity
- ➤ Meningitis Immunization is required for students who live on campus
- \* All students must have all vaccinations completed or they cannot register for next semester classes





# **Department of Public Safety**

- Rossey Hall Room 115
- Open 24 hours a day,7 days a week
- 201-200-3128
- NJCU.edu/dps







# **Public Safety Services:**

- Security escorts are provided across campus and from the Westside Ave train station. Call 201-200-3128
- CCTV Cameras monitor interior and exterior of buildings
- All Public Safety personnel are trained for emergencies
- Rave Alert Mobile System enables the NJCU community to receive emergency notifications





# Safety Is Everyone's Business

- See something / Say something
- Secure your personal belongs
- Don't prop open doors
- Report suspicious activity or persons
- Be aware of your surroundings
- Travel with a friend and use the Shuttle Service





# Immigration Information



#### **Your Immigration Documents**



- Passport
- Visa and entry stamp
- Form I-94
- Form I-20 or Form DS-2019





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- Your passport MUST be valid at all times. Your passport must be valid AT LEAST 6 months into the future.
- If you need to renew your passport, contact your government's consulate in New York or embassy in Washington.
- If your passport is lost or stolen, you MUST contact the local police to get a report and your Consulate or Embassy, as well as letting us know.











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- Visas are issued only outside of the United States at US Consulates and Embassies abroad. You cannot get or renew a visa in the US.
- You can remain in the US with an expired visa as long as your I-20 or DS-2019 has not expired. You do not have to leave the US when your visa expires, but if you leave the US, you must get a new visa to re-enter.









When you are admitted to the US, your passport is stamped with F-1 D/S or J-1 D/S.

- D/S means "Duration of Stay". This means that you can remain in the US as long as you continue in your program of study.
- If your passport does not have this stamp on it or if has an expiration date stamped on it, let me know.

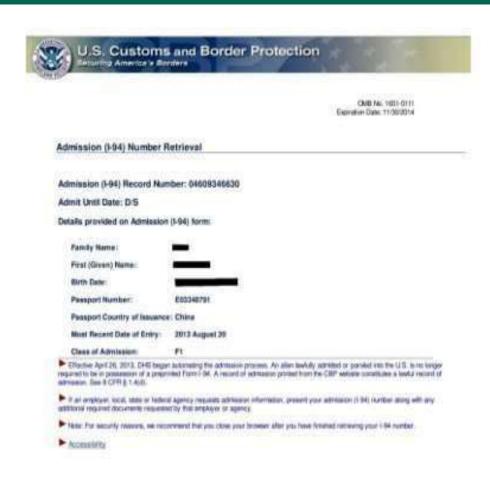






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- The I94 shows your 11 digit admission number and your immigration status at the port of entry.
- Get yours at: <u>https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94</u>
- Keep a copy for your records. You will need this for a drivers license, social security card, employment, etc.







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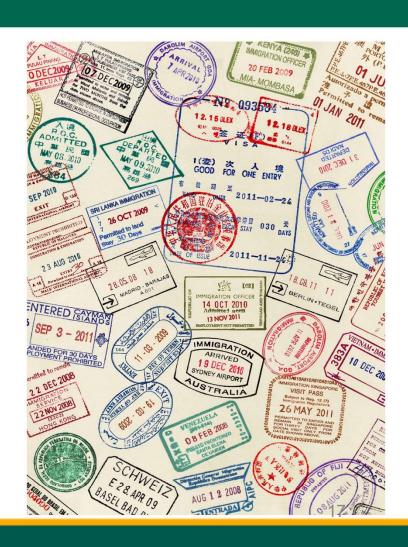
- Keep your I-20 / DS2019 valid at ALL times.
- If you need an extension, see me RIGHT AWAY.
- Always remember to keep your old documents while you are in the US.
- Maintain full-time enrollment
  - Undergraduate students = 12 credits.
  - Graduate students = 9 credits.
  - DO NOT WITHDRAW FROM CLASSES
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress
- Need to change your program? See me immediately!
   You need a new I20/DS2019 before you start your new program.
- DO NOT work without permission
- Report address changes within 10 days
- File a tax document even if you did not work





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- If you violate immigration rules, you will lose your status.
- This means your SEVIS immigration record will be terminated and you will lose all benefits like employment. You may also have to leave the US.
- Respond to your DSO immediately.
   It's always important.







Emergencies happen. If you need to stop your studies:

- With permission you can
  - withdraw from your classes and stay in the US for medical reasons.
  - drop your classes and temporarily return home.
- You cannot drop your classes and stay in the US unless there is an approved medical reason.
- Please contact me immediately if this situation occurs.







### **CAN I WORK?**

Maybe!





#### **Employment/Internships**

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International student employment is limited. Types of authorized employment are:

- On- Campus Employment
- Off-campus Employment:
- Curricular Practical Training (CPT)
- Optional Practical Training (OPT)
- Severe Economic Hardship
- Internship with an international organization (UN, World Bank, etc.)







### **On Campus Employment**

- You can work anywhere on campus.
- You cannot accept "work study" jobs because they are only available to US students who receive financial aid.
- You can only work 20 hours a week when school is in session.
- You may work multiple on-campus jobs, but not more than 20 hours a week in total
- See us if you have a job offer.







### **CPT- Curricular Practical Training for F1 students**

- Work during your studies, such as an internship
- You must complete one year as an F1 student first
- Jobs must be related to your study program
- Can be paid or unpaid
- Each employer must offer you a work contract.
- If your job ends, or you quit or are fired, you MUST notify us immediately.





### **OPT- Optional Practical Training for F1 students**

- Employment after you complete your studies
- Jobs must be related to your study program
- Paid or unpaid
- Apply for OPT about three months before you graduate
- You do not need a job offer to get OPT







#### **Academic Training for J1 students**

- Employment related to your study program after you complete your program
- Paid or unpaid
- AT length equal to program length up to 18 months
- Apply for AT before your program ends
- You MUST HAVE a job offer to get AT









#### **NJCU Career Services**

https://www.njcu.edu/student-life/campusservices-resources/center-career-andprofessional-development

The Career Services Office will help with preparing a resume and finding employers

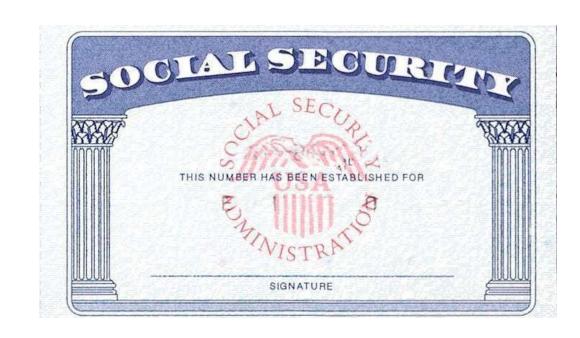




#### **Social Security Numbers**

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- You can only get a Social Security Number if you have a job offer.
- You DO NOT NEED an SSN to open a bank account or get a drivers license. We will help you get the necessary documents.







### **Summary of Do-Nots:**

- Do not drop below full time without permission
- Do not change your major/ level of study without first receiving a new I-20/DS2019
- Do not work on or off-campus without permission
- Do not let your passport or I-20/ DS2019 expire.
- Do not change your address without notifying us.







#### **Success Tips**

- Education in the US is different!
   You're not just learning things,
   you're learning how to be a student.
- Connect with your advisor, teachers, and classmates
- Attend every class and participate
- Manage your time wisely
- Respect Deadlines
- Use campus services







Questions?









#### **Next:**

Trip on the Light Rail train to visit the School of Business, the Newport Mall, and the PATH stations to connect to NYC



