

Dear {{Person-First}},

There are so many people excited to meet you, though, we know that it can be a very long distance from your home to your new campus. Here are a few ways you can prepare for safe travel to Eugene or Portland:

Prepare for Travel

- Familiarize yourself with the distance of the airport to your arrival destination, and <u>book your flights</u>.
- Important: Notify International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) of your travel plans.
- If you're feeling nervous about the immigration inspection, here are a few <u>details about the process</u>.
- Arriving in Portland? Here are some details on what to expect.



What to Pack

What to pack and what not to bring

- What to pack if <u>traveling with</u> <u>children</u>
- Prepare for the <u>fall weather in</u> <u>Oregon</u> upon your arrival

Common Oregon transportation laws

- Seatbelts or safety restraints are required for all passengers.
- If you are <u>traveling with children</u> at least 6 years old or weighing less than 60 lbs., they must be in a safety seat or booster seat.
- You may drive in Oregon for one year using a driver's license from your home country and an International Driver's Permit (IDP). Your home country issues your IDP before arriving in the United States.



Helpful Hint

As you begin booking your travel to Eugene or Portland, please know that the UO does not provide any shuttle services for your arrival. However, many people want to help you to arrive safely. As you meet your advisor or make friends in your program, you might politely ask if anyone is available to pick you up from the airport. Expressions of gratitude, such as saying thank you or planning to share a meal together after you've settled in, for someone who has volunteered to pick you up at arrival are very much appreciated.

More information is available on our <u>International Student Portal</u>, and we are here to help you along the way. Please contact your program directly for support -or- view this <u>list of contacts</u> for various types of questions.

Safe travels,

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