We recommend that new students complete these tasks in the following sequence. For additional details about each task, please follow the links or refer to the Getting Started as a Student guide on the Graduate School’s website.

**May be completed prior to arrival or upon arrival:**

1. **Create your personal identifier (PID).**
2. **Contact your academic department** for information about advising, funding, class registration, and orientation requirements.
3. **Complete and upload your Immunization History Form** and Tuberculosis Assessment Form to the health center at least one month prior to classes starting.
4. View the **Orientation to Healthcare Session** video.
5. **Find housing.**
6. **Purchase health insurance** (mandatory for international students in F or J visa status; optional for domestic students).
7. Register for classes on **Hokie SPA** during the web drop/add period starting November 25, 2022.
8. **Pay tuition and fees on Hokie SPA** (once registered).
9. Visit the **Cranwell International Center** and **Graduate School** websites for calendars of events to welcome you to Virginia Tech.

**Must be completed upon arrival:**

10. Complete the mandatory immigration check-in process.
11. Get your student ID card in the **Hokie Passport Office** 100 Student Services Building.
12. Participate in **International Graduate Student Orientation** on January 11, 2023. (optional, but encouraged.)
13. Participate in **Graduate Student Orientation** on January 13, 2023. (optional, but encouraged.)