There are so many things to get done, and we hope this list will help your move to Fairbanks a little easier. Please read all documents carefully, and make sure you complete everything on this list! Links to all of the processes are available on the OIPI website at http://www.uaf.edu/oip/future-intl-student/

As soon as possible:

- **Immigration/Visa**
  - Pay your SEVIS fee
  - Schedule your visa appointment (Canadians do NOT need a visa)
- **Make travel arrangements (flight reservations to Fairbanks, Alaska)**
- **Apply for UAF campus housing**
  - Residence Hall (housing) application
- **Course Selection**: Contact the academic advisor indicated on your admission letter for course registration instructions.

After you arrive in the United States:

- **Arrive in Fairbanks!**
  - The earliest date that you can enter the US using your student visa is August 4, 2015.
  - Undergraduates (Bachelors and Associates level): You should plan to be in Fairbanks by August 30, 2015 to attend new student orientation (which is mandatory).
  - Graduate students (Masters and PhD level): Orientation begins on September 1.
- **Move In**
  - The earliest that you can move into your on-campus housing for the fall semester is at 8:00am on Sunday, August 30. If you are arriving earlier, be sure to make other arrangements. (You can check out this site for information on Fairbanks accommodations: [http://explorefairbanks.com/where-to-stay](http://explorefairbanks.com/where-to-stay).)
- **Visit UAF Offices**
  - Get your PolarExpress card (this is your UAF student identification card).
    - The PolarExpress Office is located in Signer’s Hall. For more information, visit: [http://www.uaf.edu/finserv/bursar/polarexpress/](http://www.uaf.edu/finserv/bursar/polarexpress/)
    - You must be registered for classes before your Polar Express card can be issued.
  - Set up your UAF electronic student account.
    - This account will provide you access to your official UAF email account and other web-based student services. Start by visiting this page: [https://elmo.alaska.edu/](https://elmo.alaska.edu/) and choosing Option 2 or Option 3.
  - Pick up your campus post office box key or sign up for a post office box.
    - The UAF Post Office is located in the lower level of Constitution Hall.
- **Visit OIPI**—you must do this within 10 days of your arrival in the US. Make sure you bring your:
  - Passport
  - I-94 arrival record. You may print a copy here: [https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/request.html](https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/request.html)
  - I-20
- **Attend New Student Orientation**: See the orientation information provided separately.
- **Attend all of your classes.** Classes at UAF begin on Thursday, September 3, 2015.
- **Pay your tuition and fees.** The deadline for fee payment is 5:00pm, Friday, September 11, 2015.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact us. We look forward to meeting you!