

Packing & Travel Tips For International Students

What to Pack in Your Carry-On Luggage

Airplane tickets

Important documents: Passport and valid visa, signed I-20, LETU admission/scholarship letters, State Department/CBP letter, Immunization Form (NOTE: Also have photos of these docs on your phone.)

- Credit/debit card, and some cash for small purchases or opening a US bank account
- Prescription medicine with prescription information from physician, COVID personal protection (face masks, gloves, etc.), other over-the-counter medicine you use regularly but doesn't require a prescription (Make sure all medicine is in original packaging with label.)
- Laptop/tablet (Visit <u>www.letu.edu/IT</u> for information about network connections and configurations.)
- At least one change of clothing and personal items (toiletries) in case checked bags are delayed
- Contact information for Office of Global Initiatives staff in case of changes in travel plans

Packing for Your Stay at LETU

- Warm and cold weather clothes (Temperatures in Texas range from 2°C to 35°C.)
- Personal toiletries (especially if you prefer specific brands)
- Extra pair of glasses or prescription information
- Travel adapter/Voltage converter
- Traditional clothing (for several events where traditional dress is encouraged)
- Snacks, spices, recipes from home (check <u>https://www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/whatcanibring</u> to see what is permitted)
- A few personal items to decorate your room and remind you of home (family photos, flag, etc.)

NOTE: You will have the opportunity to go shopping within the first 48 hours of your arrival at LETU. Basic bedding is provided for exchange students who plan to return home after 1 or 2 semesters.

What NOT to Bring

- Tobacco, alcohol, hookah, e-cigarettes, or vaping paraphernalia
- Weapons of any kind
- Candles, fireworks, or anything with an exposed heating element
- Check LETU Student Handbook for more details: <u>https://www.letu.edu/student-life/handbook.html</u>

Before You Travel

- Complete the International Arrival Form and upload your complete travel itinerary with the form
 - Buy a US SIM card or international plan to be able to make local calls/texts when you travel: https://www.campussims.com/#get-connected
- Buy health insurance that covers you while you travel and during your stay in the US
- Complete your Student Checklist and register for courses at https://my.letu.edu

Sarah Epling

Dir of Intercultural
Engagement &
Development
SarahEpling@letu.edu
+1 903-233-3173

Zach Jones

Intl Admissions Coordinator	
Zach Jones @letu.edu	
+1 903-233-3172	

Suma Jayakar

Dir of Southeast Asian Initiatives

SumaJayakar@letu.edu

+1 903-233-3175

Erin O'Day

OGI Program Assistant	
ErinODay@letu.edu	

+1 903-233-4476

Alan Clipperton

VP of Global Initiatives
AlanClipperton@letu.edu
+1 903-233-3171