

Checklist for New Graduate Students:

- Return your Enrollment Confirmation Form and required deposit to George Mason's Cash Office. This form can be mailed in with the envelope provided or faxed to the Cash Office at (703) 993-2492.
- Activate your Mason NetID and password at: <http://strongpassword.gmu.edu>. Please see "Patriot Pass Activation and Registration Instructions" sheet for more detailed information on this process.
- Register for courses. Course Registration for the Spring 2012 term will begin on **November 1, 2011**. Please visit registrar.gmu.edu for a detailed listing of registration dates. Please see the enclosed "Course Registration Information" and "Patriot Pass Activation and Registration Instructions" for more detailed information on how to register. Contact your academic advisor if you have registration questions.
- Activate your MASONLIVE email account. You can do this by visiting: <http://masonlive.gmu.edu/gettingstarted.html>.
- Log into your MASONLIVE e-mail account. You can log in through the MASONLIVE web site: <http://masonlive.gmu.edu>. You will need your Mason NetID and Patriot Pass password.
- Turn in your Immunization Record to George Mason University Student Health Services. This Immunization Record must be submitted by October 1st for fall entrance or March 1st for spring entrance. *Virginia law requires ALL admitted university students to submit immunization documentation <http://shs.gmu.edu/immunizations/>. A hold will be placed on your account and a late fee assessed if you do not submit your complete immunization records by the posted deadline.*
- Get your GMU Student I.D. card. You can get your Student I.D. at the Photo I.D. Office located in Room 218 of Founders Hall on Mason's Arlington campus. Hours of operation can be found on the Mason website at <http://masonid.gmu.edu/photoid/>.
- If desired, obtain your Parking Decal. The Parking Services Office is located in Room 219 of Founders Hall on George Mason's Arlington campus. You must have a copy of your Mason Student I.D. card and current class schedule with you when purchasing your parking permit. Hours of operation and permit fees can be found on the Mason website at <http://parking.gmu.edu/arlingtoncampusparking.html>.
- Update your local address by logging on to <https://patriotweb.gmu.edu>. Please do so if your mailing address has changed since submitting your application.
- SAVE THE DATE!** Our New Master's Student Orientation will be held on **Saturday, January 21, 2012**. Please RSVP to policy.gmu.edu/orientation
- Review SPP 101 on the School of Public Policy website at <http://policy.gmu.edu/SPP101>. SPP 101 is an online resource to help you become acclimated to the School of Public Policy and supplement the important information you will receive during the SPP on-campus New Student Orientation Program. As a continuing student, you will be able to use SPP 101 as a resource for programmatic, advising and career services information.

Additional Steps for International Students:

- If you are requesting an I-20 (for an F-1 visa) or a DS-2019 (for a J-1 visa) document from George Mason, make sure to submit the "Certificate of Financial Responsibility" if you have not already done so. Please also remember that it is necessary to submit a copy of the identification page of your passport or a copy of your birth certificate if your passport is not available. For those currently in the United States, please attach a copy of your current immigration document (Form I-20, DS-2019, or other) and I-94 card. Additionally, please submit your supporting financial documents (original bank statement or an original letter on bank letterhead). All of these documents should be sent to the SPP Graduate Admissions Office.

- Make sure to attend OIPS' International Student Orientation (in addition to the School of Public Policy's New Student Orientation program). You can obtain more information about this event at <https://oips.gmu.edu>

- Please note that students on an F-1 or J-1 visa are required to have health insurance and will be automatically enrolled in the GMU Health Plan. The health insurance fee will be reflected on your student account. If you currently have health insurance that meets the GMU criteria, you can apply for an exemption. Please note that exemption applications must be received by Student Health Services before tuition payment is due. Information about Student Health Services can be found at <http://shs.gmu.edu/>.