**COLLIN COLLEGE**
**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS OFFICE (ISO)**

**PRE-ARRIVAL CHECKLIST**
**ESL-SPRING 2020**

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**PAYING THE I-901 FEE**
- Review I-901 Handout included in this I-20 Packet
- Information about the I-901 fee can be found here: [https://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901](https://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901)
- Link to Pay Fee: [https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/index.html](https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/index.html)

**SCHEDULE THE VISA INTERVIEW**
- Review the *U.S. Visas* handout, *10 Points to Remember when Applying for a Nonimmigrant Visa* handout, and [https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/students](https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/students)
- Identify the U.S. Embassy or Consulate that is most convenient for you: [https://www.usembassy.gov/](https://www.usembassy.gov/)
- Visit the website of the embassy or consulate you will visit, and follow the instructions on the site to:
  - Pay your visa fee
  - Obtain acceptable photographs
  - Complete your online DS-160 application
  - Get list of all required documents you must bring
  - Schedule your visa interview appointment
- If you are not granted the F-1 Visa, please contact ISO at iso@collin.edu about your deferment options.

**PREPARE FOR ARRIVAL**
- Recommended Arrival date: **01/02/2020**. Allowed to arrive in U.S. up to 30 days before start of I-20. Your I-20 start date will be 01/02/2020.
- Review the *International Student Handbook* for information about Texas and your arrival to Collin College: [https://sway.office.com/ZfB8c6KNVDOAxafA?ref=Link](https://sway.office.com/ZfB8c6KNVDOAxafA?ref=Link)
- Review *Port of Entry* handout and Study in the States ([https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/getting-to-the-united-states](https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/getting-to-the-united-states)) for information about entering into the U.S.

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For I-20 Questions: Email iso@collin.edu or ESL Program Questions: Email esl@collin.edu

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