

## Your handy checklist!

### Before you leave

- Load copies of documents, photos, and some music to cloud storage
- Save all important contact details and information in a Google document
- Check your flight's weight restrictions, entertainment and food facilities
- Pre-arrange for your airport pick-ups and drops in home and host country both
- Download a messenger or online calling app so you can contact your family and friends using available Wi-Fi
- Make your luggage identifiable by adding a motif/symbol
- Bring hand baggage for day trips and daily use
- Create a list of items you need to take to your host country and get them all in place before you start packing

### In your carry bag

- Passport with your visa (along with few copies of the same)
- Air tickets/boarding pass
- Letter of acceptance from your place of study
- Documentary evidence of your finances
- Original or certified copy of degree qualifications
- Copy of birth certificate
- Foreign currency enough to cover your immediate requirements (lodging, food, transport, etc.)
- Credit/Debit card
- Insurance document
- Medical prescriptions (mandatory if you are taking any medicine) and prescribed drugs you are carrying
- Contact details and address of the place you are heading to
- Spare outfit along with some warm clothing, in case your luggage is delayed
- Hand sanitiser
- Face wipes
- Wallet
- Laptop
- Headphones
- Power bank
- Phone
- Charger
- Spare batteries
- Passport size photos
- Travel pillow and itinerary
- Keep your reading glasses and sun glasses

## **Toiletries**

Just get the essentials in small quantities for immediate requirement. Everything else will be available in your host country.

- Face wash
- Body wash
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Face cream and body lotion
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Hair brush
- Makeup
- Razors
- Pocket deodorants

Please note that toiletries in your carry-on baggage must be 3.4 ounces or less. Wrap them in a plastic bag to avoid leakage

## **Clothing**

Check weather before packing. It's best to purchase warm clothing from your host country rather than loading up your luggage with clothes that may or may not help you with the climate there.

- Some sets of casual clothing
- Formal outfits
- A pair of classy attire
- Intimate wear
- Pyjamas
- Sneakers
- Flip flops
- Jackets and hoodies
- Active wear
- Scarf

Do not carry too many valuables. If you wear jewellery, limit what you choose to take with you.

## **Electronic items**

- Flash drive
- USB Cable

- Laptop
- Camera (if required)
- E-book reader/Kindle
- Headphones
- Chargers
- Cases for your electronic items

### **First aid**

Check if the medicines you are carrying are legal in your host country or not

- Adhesive bandages
- Allergy medicines
- Painkillers
- Cold and flu medicines
- Motion sickness
- Eye drops
- Vitamins and supplements

### **Additional items**

- Journal
- Sunglasses
- Compact towels
- Books (1-2)
- Watch
- Gift for your host family (if you are opting for off-campus accommodation)

### **What not to bring?**

- Spices or plant products as these are readily available in your host country
- Stationary items
- Bedding
- Too much cash
- Pirated goods (such as movies)
- Anything sharp or what may be considered as a weapon

Hope this helps gather all your stuff in one place. Bon Voyage!