Checklist: Nuts & Bolts

All students

☐ Register for your program
☐ Apply for your passport or renew your expired passport
☐ Apply for your visa, if required
☐ Make housing arrangements, if necessary
☐ Make arrangements for payment of your program expenses
☐ Make medical and dental appointments
☐ Check with your health insurance provider
☐ Apply for an International Student Identity Card (if not included)
☐ Make travel arrangements, if not included in your program
☐ Prepare a realistic budget
☐ Learn about where you’re going
☐ Learn about where you’ll be staying
☐ Make copies of all your important documents
☐ Find out how to communicate from abroad
☐ Get photos of home and of campus
☐ Learn about the educational system in your host country
☐ Prepare yourself to be an ambassador

If you’ll be gone more than 2-3 weeks

☐ Make arrangements to have your mail forwarded

If you’ll be gone more than one semester

☐ Make plans to pre-register for your semester of return
☐ Make graduation arrangements, if necessary
☐ Make plans for your return
☐ Make on-campus housing arrangements, if applicable

If you will be traveling before or after your program

☐ Make travel arrangements