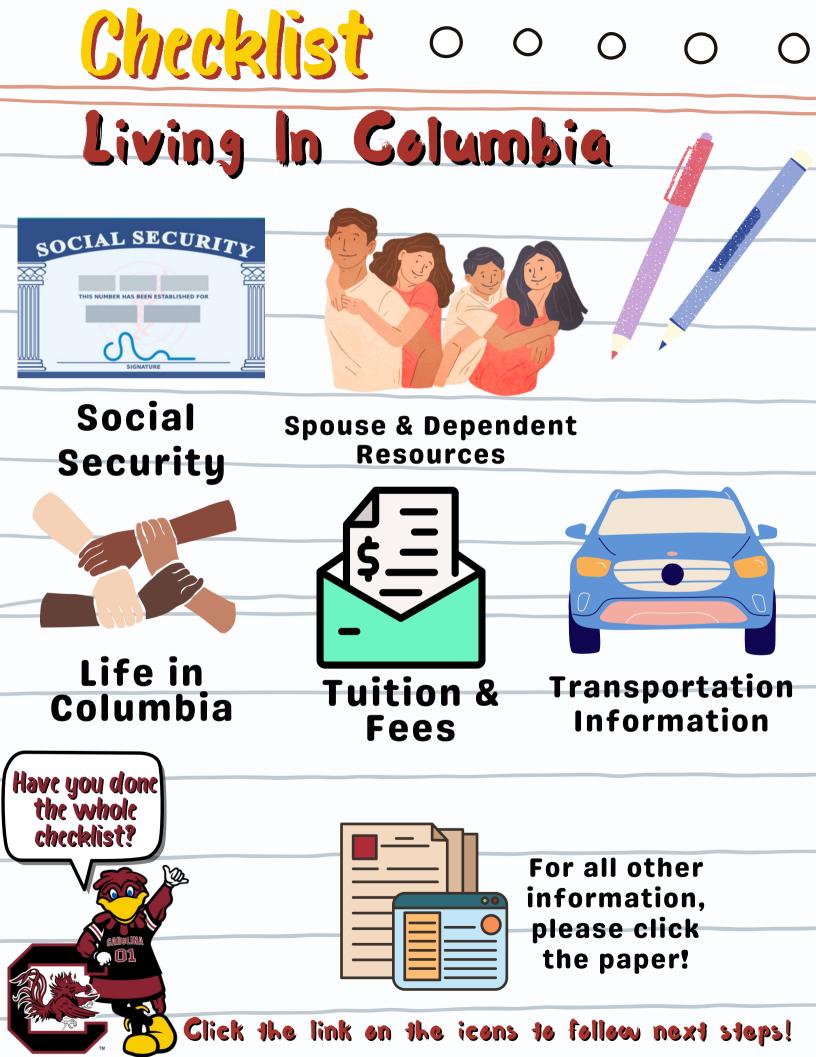
WELCOME

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

International Students Welcome Packet!







EXPLORE Columbia, SC

CHECK OUT EVENTS AND ACTIVITES HAPPENING IN COLUMBIA!

Riverbanks Zoo & Garden

Visit the Riverbanks Zoo & Garden! This zoo is home to more than 2,000 animals and also features botanical gardens! This zoo also has obstacle courses, rock climbing, and options to feed the animals!

Soda City Market

Visit Columbia's own Soda City Market! This market takes place every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. This venue is located on Main Street in front of the South Carolina State House. This market hosts over 150 vendors each week ranging from international cuisine to flowers and local artists!

South Carolina State House

Visit the South Carolina State House in the heart of Columbia! The State House grounds hosts memorials and monuments, and make a great place to exercise!

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Float Nown the Congaree River

Float down the Congaree River with your friends! Enjoy the outdoors and sign up for a group trip to tube down the river and enjoy Columbia's most iconic river!

Columbia Museum of Art

Visit the Columbia Museum of Art! This art museum is host to a wide variety of art ranging from glass sculptures to oil paintings! College students get in for S5.00! So do not forget your Carolina Card!

The Vista & Nightlike

Visit The Vista located on the west side of Columbia! This section of Columbia is host to many restaurants, bars, clubs, and other fun activities! We recommend trying all of them during your time here!

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Escape If You Can at The Final Door

CRAFT AXE

LOVE YYY

Can you escape in 60 minutes or less? Try your luck at The Final Door escape room just across the river in Cayce! These rooms range in difficulty with different themes and puzzles! Go with friends and see if you can escape The Final Door!

Craft Axe Throwing!

Good food and throwing axes? What is not to love? Go with your friends to Craft Axe Throwing and see who can hit the most bullseyes! This establishment hosts a range of drinks and fun! Give it your best shot at Craft Axe Throwing!

Get a Strike at Bowlero

Come on down to Bowlero in Cayce for a night of food, drinks, and fun! Each night, Bowlero offers different specials on games and food! Bring your friends and see who can rack up the highest score!

EXPLORE SALES

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Go to a USC Sporting Event

Attend one of the University of South Carolina's many sporting events across Columbia! Students are able to get free tickets to basketball, soccer, volleyball, football, and more! Put on your best USC clothing and cheer on the Gamecocks!

Picnic, Study, Sleep on the Horseshoe

The Horseshoe is the pride and joy of the University of South Carolina. Domestic students use this green space for studying, sleeping, picnics, and more! Make sure to spend time on the Horseshoe with friends and enjoy the fresh air!

Join & Play an Intramural Sport

The University of South Carolina is proud to offer most recreational sports through our Office of Campus Recreation. These sports range from basketball to water polo to beach volleyball! These sports do not require previous experience! Join a sport and make friends!

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See a movie in Russell House

Watch new movies in the Russell House Theatre with other students for free! Check out Carolina Productions' website to see what new movies are coming to Russell House! Grab your snacks, and enjoy!

Join a Student Organization

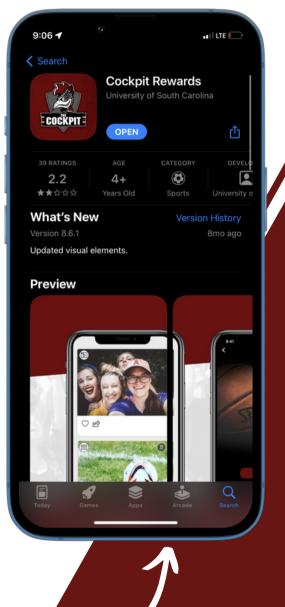
The University of South Carolina has over 550 student organizations! These groups range from leadership organizations to beekeeping to language tables. There is a place for everyone! Join an organization and connect with other students who share your interests!

Jake a picture with Cocky!

The Cocky statue is one of the University of South Carolina's favorite attractions! Snap a selfie with Cocky and tag USC in the photo to show off your school spirit!



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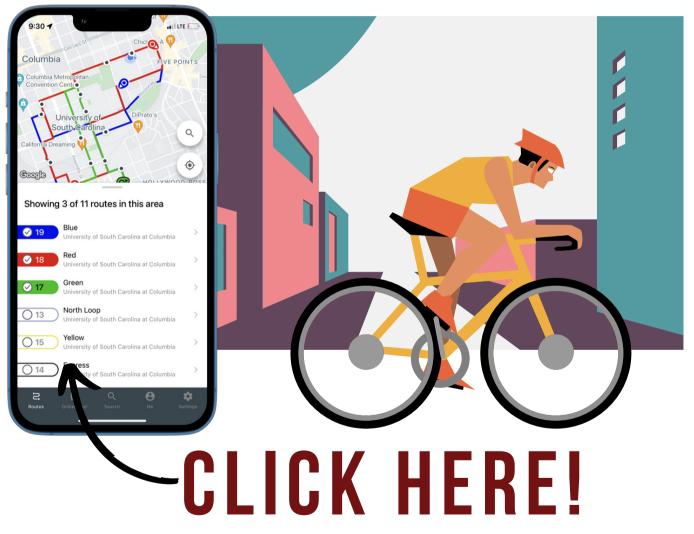
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Earth Fare
312 Devine Street #B



Rosewood Market 2803 Rosewood Drive



INTERNATIONAL STORES

EXPLORE!



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Supermercado El Mariachi

1735 Decker Blvd.



European Market

3718 Rosewood Avenue



Halal International 1601 Broad River Road



Hyundai Oriental Grocery

1807 Decker Blvd. Suite 1



Richway International

5210 Two Notch Road #B



Indian Grocery 125 Outlet Pointe Blvd.



Spiceland



Oriental International Market 2205 Decker Blvd. Suite H

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THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT BANKS TO CHOOSE FROM IN COLUMBIA! USE THE INFORMATION ON THE PIG TO SEE WHAT WOULD BE THE BEST FIT FOR YOU!

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Click the phone to compare options and see what works for you!





The international students' guide to US cell phones and plans

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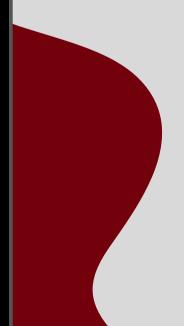


How international students can stay connected in the US

Moving to the US to study is undoubtedly exciting. But it can also be extremely daunting for many students.

However, with phones, laptops and tablets, the world has never been more **connected** than it is today.

So just because you leave your home country doesn't mean you have to lose touch with your Come to the ISSS Office for a free SIM Card!



HOUSING

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING, THERE ARE MANY OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM! CLICK THE CLICK THE HOUSE TO BROWSE!



Off-Campus Housing

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DELIVERY?

CLICK THE DELIVERY MAN FOR INFORMATION ON POSTAL SERVICES FOR STUDENTS!



JOIN AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION!

Student organizations and clubs are always looking for new members! Join one today!





Need something that was not in this packet?

Send your ideas to the email below to have them added to this packet for future exchange students!

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