

Welcome to the DSA program. Please find below helpful information for new graduate students. If you have any questions the DSA office is located in Carson Engineering Center room 409, or at datascience@ou.edu, or 405-325-6417.

VERY IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE: ACADEMIC INTEGRITY CODE http://www.ou.edu/integrity.

EVERYONE is required to submit a Program of Study the semester before they graduate. Take your signed copy to the DSA office in Carson room 409 or email it to datascience@ou.edu. http://ou.edu/gradcollege/forms/program-of-study.

If you have a D or F in a course, those hours ARE NOT eligible to be counted on your Program of Study. You will need to take a course to make up those hours to ensure you have 30 hours if you are a thesis student and 33 hours if you are a non-thesis student. IF you receive a D or F in a required course you must retake that course.

EVERYONE needs to save this link in their browser http://ou.edu/gradcollege/forms/bulletin. This link will take you to the Graduate College Bulletin. It has answers to any questions you may have about the program and then some. It has answers to questions you didn't even know you had. Please take a minute to read through at least the section that pertains to your degree (i.e. MS Thesis or MS Non-Thesis).

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS are very limited in number. Thus, most students will not receive appointments. To be eligible for consideration, graduate students must email the DSA Office. Just know that even if you DO, you are NOT guaranteed an assistantship.

If you are an international student and are interested in a graduate assistantship, you need to complete an English Communication Capacity test before being considered. For additional information please visit the English Training and Certification Services website at:

http://ou.edu/gradcollege/current-students/etcs. DSA does not pay for, or reimburse students, for this test.

OU E-MAIL to assure timely and efficient communication, all OU students are assigned an OU e-mail account. Official university communications will be sent to this account. E-mail sent to this account is expected to be read in a timely fashion. Faculty and staff assume that a student's official university e-mail is a valid mechanism for communicating with that student. Account holders who choose to have e-

mail forwarded to other Email addresses do so at their own risk. An account holder's failure to read, in a timely manner, official university communications sent to an official e-mail account does not absolve the account holder from knowing and complying with the content of the official communication

E-mail accounts: The Exchange e-mail system, which can be accessed at http://exchange.ou.edu.

OBTAIN A SOONER ID the Sooner OneCard office is located in the Oklahoma Memorial Union, Room 127. A driver's license, military ID card or passport must be presented. The cost of the initial and any replacement student ID card is \$15. The card is valid for the entire period that the student attends OU. The OneCard has many uses, including as an all-purpose campus identification; a library card for the campus library system; facilities entrance for campus events and services; and obtaining discounts at area merchants.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Check in with OU ISS

You are <u>required by law to check</u> in with OU ISS (http://ou.edu/cis/iss), at 640 Parrington Oval, B.C. Wallace Old Science Hall, Room, 200, upon arrival in Norman. Bring your passport, I-20 or DS 2019, and I-94 card. Failure to report to OU ISS may result in cancellation of your immigration status and cancellation of your enrollment at OU.

Attend Orientation

You are required to attend one of the New International Student Orientations held prior to the first day of class. Make every effort to arrive in advance of the semester start date.

For additional questions, please contact the ISS office directly. (405) 325 - 3337 iss@ou.edu

USING THE INTERNET the OU Office of Information Technology requires that all devices be registered prior to utilizing a wired or wireless connection.

RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT OF RESEACH TRAINING the Graduate College offers semiannual Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Training, typically at the start of the fall and spring semesters. The framework for this training is unique. Rather than focusing on rules and principles, it looks at how people try to make sense of ethical issues. The training seeks to provide graduate students across all disciplines with realistic, work-based strategies for identifying and resolving complex ethical dilemmas.

OKLAHOMA DRIVER'S LICENSE Students needing to obtain an Oklahoma Driver's License or ID card should contact the Department of Public Safety's Norman exam site, located at 430 N. Berry Rd. The phone number is (405) 364-9595; the hours of operation are 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday through

Friday. Information about Oklahoma driver's license requirements and an online copy of the driver's license manual are available at: http://www.dps.state.ok.us/.

HOUSING OPTIONS

On-Campus Housing

Options for on-campus housing can be found at the Housing and Food Services webpage: http://www.ou.edu/housingandfood.html

Off-Campus Housing

There are many apartments and houses available around Norman for rent. Search any of the online apartment guides online, like http://www.rent.com/.