

## New Grad Student “To Do” Checklist

### Spring Arrival

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- **NOW:** Review the entire [New Graduate Student](#) webpage for good information.
- **NOW AND BY JANUARY 15:** You can begin to register for Fall classes in SIS for most courses.
  - Find and read the master’s or [Graduate Student Advising Manual](#) on the [MatSci Current Students](#) page.
  - You will receive a request from the [Office of Institutional Equity](#) to complete the online **Sexual Harassment Prevention training**, which will require your JHED ID and password to access. Please complete this within 30 days of receiving the request.
- **BY SUMMER:** Secure off-campus housing, as the University does not offer on-campus housing. Visit the [JHU Off-Campus Housing Office website](#) for help in finding a place to live or to find roommates.
- **DURING THE WINTER:**
  - Take the **Opioid Epidemic Awareness** online course.
  - Take the **Effort Reporting Certifier** online course.
  - Take the appropriate [Responsible Conduct of Research course](#).
  - Take the online learning modules of **Laboratory Safety Assessment**, per the department academic advising manual. Go to my.JHU.edu > MyLearning and seek “Laboratory Safety Assessment.” Finish by February 15.
- **JANUARY:**
  - You will be enrolled automatically in the [University Student Health Benefit plan](#). American students have the option of waiving the insurance if they have adequate coverage. Instructions will be sent by the Registrar to waive insurance or to add dependents to the insurance.
  - Take the online course **EN.500.603 Academic Ethics and Graduate Orientation** before the end of your first semester. You will be automatically registered for this course in SIS, the “Student Information System” and be notified by the Whiting School when it’s available. Do not drop the course.
- **BY JANUARY 8:** Contact your advisor to discuss your classes and research.
- **BY JANUARY 15:** Arrive on campus (International students can arrive as early as 30 days before orientation). Visit the “When You Arrive...” section of the MatSci New Grad Student website and take the actions listed in each tab.
- **JANUARY 18:** Tuition is due from those paying tuition.
- **JANUARY 21:** First day of classes