GETTING SETTLED
A resource to help you make Cardinal Stritch University your home during your studies
**OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS**

**Passport**
Make sure your current passport is valid for at least one year.

**Airline Reservations**
Although Milwaukee Mitchell Airport is very convenient, if you fly into Chicago O’Hare, you can easily catch a bus to Milwaukee. Notify us of your flight schedule.

**University Health Forms**
If you will live in a residence hall or are a team athlete, you must submit health forms before your arrival. The form includes: Health History, Immunizations Records and a Physical Examination by your physician. If this form is not completed, you must have a physical examination here in the U.S. before you are allowed to move into the residence hall or participate in athletic trainings or games. Important: Be sure your medical forms are accurate and complete. The University does not refuse admission because of a medical condition. This form can be found at: [www.stritch.edu/healthforms](http://www.stritch.edu/healthforms).

**Residence Hall Forms**
If you plan to reside on campus, please make sure your residence hall application and room deposit have been received. If you have not received housing notifications, email Matt Weiss at [mlweiss@stritch.edu](mailto:mlweiss@stritch.edu) for verification.

**On-Campus Employment**
Many international students seek on-campus employment. International students who hold F-1 visas are generally allowed to work on campus. Certain visa restrictions apply and these will be explained at international student orientation.

**Quick Tip:** Make copies of your official papers including the important pages in your passport. Keep the copies in a separate place. If your passport is lost or stolen, this will make replacement much easier.

**Identification Cards**
**Stritch One Card • stritch.edu/studentlife**
This ID card will have your photograph on it as well as your student identification number. You can obtain your Stritch ID at the Library. Your Stritch ID card also acts as your library card. With it you can borrow books from the library, access the library’s online subscription resources, and access your library account online.

**Student Visa**
If you need an F-1 visa, make sure you apply for the visa as early as possible at the U.S. Consulate. Take the I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status), your passport and proof of financial availability to the Embassy. Several visa fees are required.

**Wisconsin I.D. • wisconsindot.gov**
It’s a good idea to have a state issued ID while living in the United States, regardless of whether you will be driving. You will likely need one for activities like cashing checks, enrolling in a cell phone plan, and opening a bank account.

**Wisconsin Driver’s License • wisconsindot.gov**
You are legally allowed to drive in the United States with your driver’s license issued in your home country for a period not exceeding one year from the date of your arrival. You may apply for a Wisconsin driver’s license at any time. Please keep in mind that you will likely need to take a driving test to obtain this license.

**Social Security Number**
The U.S. government assigns Social Security numbers to people who are authorized to work in the United States and who have employment. A Social Security number is only required if you work in the U.S. and can be obtained with proof of legal employment. F-1 visa status allows students to work while in the U.S., under certain restrictions. Thus, many international students are eligible for social security numbers.

**MULTICULTURAL OFFICE**
The Office of Multicultural Programs welcomes the opportunity to mentor and advocate for all students, including those that self-identify as belonging to a historically under-represented or under-served group. The Office of Multicultural Programs works to increase the multicultural competence of the Stritch community by presenting opportunities for our students, faculty and staff to engage in cultural dialogues, programs and events.

**OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION**
The Office of International Education is part of the global mission of Cardinal Stritch University, which is to produce professionals who understand the international implications of their responsibilities and have the ability to bridge knowledge across international boundaries. Our office advances learning by collaborating with students, faculty, staff, and international partners to globalize Cardinal Stritch University campus life and curriculum.
International students need to purchase a private health insurance plan. Government-provided healthcare in the U.S. is limited and generally not available to international students. Insurance will help protect you from unexpected health care costs in the event that you were to become ill or be involved in an accident.

Average fees for common medical expenses that might be incurred without insurance:

**Urgent Care:** The average cost for a visit to an urgent care facility is more than $200.

**Emergency Room (ER):** A visit to the ER can easily cost $500 or more emergency rooms are located inside hospitals and always cost more than an urgent care facility or walk in clinic.

**Hospitalization:** Daily hospital charges for room, meals, and doctor fees are around $2,500. This does not include medicine, surgery, or any other expenses.

**Emergency Medical Evacuation:** The average cost for this is more than $50,000. This life-saving benefit provides emergency transportation to a hospital or medical facility.

Since accidents or illnesses can occur at any time, you should be prepared and have an international student insurance plan. **If you don’t show proof of insurance, you will be signed up for WAICU Consortium Insurance at the rate of $150 per month.**

**Options for International Health Insurance**

- **HCC Medical Insurance** [www.hccmis.com](http://www.hccmis.com)
- **HTH Worldwide** [www.hthstudents.com](http://www.hthstudents.com)
- **International Student Insurance** [www.internationalstudentinsurance.com](http://www.internationalstudentinsurance.com)
- **PGH Global** [pghstudent.com](http://pghstudent.com)

“Because the Stritch community is tight-knit, you grow relationships with so many people who become your family away from home. Being an international student at Stritch helped me connect with a variety of people and I am proud to say that I have best friends living all over the world.” — Jessica Pool

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TAXI
Lyft — lyft.com/cities/Milwaukee
Uber — uber.com/cities/Milwaukee/
Taxi MKE — autmke.com/

BUS
Milwaukee County Transit System
ridemcts.com/

MILWAUKEE ATTRACTIONS

DOWNTOWN WHITEFISH BAY
Whitefish Bay, WI 53217 (2.6 miles)

DOWNTOWN SHOREWOOD
Shorewood, WI 53211 (3.4 miles)

BRADFORD BEACH
Milwaukee, WI 53211 (6.3 miles)

MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MARKET
400 N. Water St.
Milwaukee, WI 53202 (8.7 miles)

DISCOVERY WORLD
500 N. Harbor Dr.
Milwaukee, WI 53202 (9.1 miles)

MILWAUKEE ART MUSEUM
700 N. Art Museum Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53222 (9.2 miles)

SUMMERFEST GROUNDS
200 N. Harbor Dr.
Milwaukee, WI 53202 (9.7 miles)

COLECTIVO COFFEE LAKEFRONT CAFE
1701 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr.
Milwaukee, WI 53202 (10.3 miles)

BMO Harris Bradley Center
1001 N. 4th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53203 (7.8 miles)

GETTING AROUND

AIR
General Mitchell International Airport
mitchellairport.com

TAXI
Lyft — lyft.com/cities/Milwaukee
Uber — uber.com/cities/Milwaukee/
Taxi MKE — autmke.com/

BUS
Milwaukee County Transit System
ridemcts.com/

NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

137
New International Students Fall 2015

115
Undergraduate International Students

22
Graduate International Students

International students from 37 countries studying in undergraduate and graduate programs.