University Checklist

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Preparation

- □ Consider your career path and how much you can expect to make after graduation.
- □ Submit an application for admission to the university.
- □ Get accepted for admission into a chosen degree program.
- □ Consider all the costs associated with attending college.
- □ Apply early for the financial aid packages.
- Consider work-study as a way to contribute to the cost of your education.
- □ Consider the schools you applied to.
- □ Check the academic programs the school offers.
- □ Check the campus.
- □ Check housing and the local infrastructure.
- □ Accept the offer.

□ University

- □ Attend an enrolment information session.
- □ Enrol in your courses.
- □ Get your student ID card.
- Get to know other first-year students.
- □ Get a student perspective on study from senior students.
- Get to know your campus.
- Check university website where you can access all university information.
- Buy your necessary textbooks and other equipment prior to the first week of formal classes.
- □ If you're coming from interstate or overseas, make sure you have accommodation lined up.
- □ If you're planning on catching public transport to class, work out which buses, trains or trams you will catch.
- Work out which parking facilities you'll use if you're driving into university.

- □ If you plan to work part-time, determine how much work you can fit in with your course choices.
- □ Set up a study area at home or determine which on-campus computer suites you'll use.