## NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST

- Set up your UM Directory ID, password, and email through OIT at www.it.umd.edu/new/student.html
- ✓ Join the ENTS ListServ. Sign up using your new UMD email (or an email that you regularly check) to the ENTS graduate student LISTSERV. All important announcements are sent through this listserv. You are responsible for the information.
  - o Email listserv@listserv.umd.edu
  - In one line in the body of the email, message: "subscribe ents-students [first name] [last name]"
  - You will receive a confirmation email after you have registered for courses.
- ✓ Obtain your Student Picture ID Card. Get your card at the Mitchell Building (near the Big M on Campus Drive), 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday. You must be registered for at least one class to obtain your ID card. Bring this card to all ENTS Orientation sessions.
- ✓ Billing and Fees. All billing inquiries should be directed to the Bursar's Office.
- ✓ Attend ONE Mandatory Orientation Session.
  Choose from either of these dates:
  - o Monday, August 14 @ 10:00 AM in 1110 KIM
  - o Tuesday, August 22 @ 1:00 PM in 1110 KIM The session will discuss courses and degree planning, student services, and graduate student regulations. Arrive on time and plan to be in attendance for the full duration.
- ✓ Take the ENTS Placement Exams. These exams determine exemption from ENTS 622 and/or ENTS 640 (core courses). Exams will be held at the following:
  - Thursday, August 17, 2017
     Sign-In @ 9:30 AM
     Exam Begins @ 10:00 AM
     LOCATION: 0130 Tydings Hall
- ✓ Attend the ENTS New Student Welcome. This
  session is mandatory and will be followed by lunch.
  - Tuesday, August 22, 2017
     Sign-In @ 10:45 AM
     Presentations @ 11:00 AM
     LOCATION: 1110 KIM

- ✓ Attend the Graduate School Orientation

  Monday, August 21 @ 9:30 AM 1:00 PM

  LOCATION: Stamp Student Union

  Lunch @ 12 PM on McKeldin Mall

  RSVP on the Graduate School's website
- Register for Courses. Register using <u>Testudo</u>. Registration opens in August. Students will be notified via email regarding specific registration information. You will have plenty of time to make course adjustments prior to the start of classes.
- ✓ Know the Academic and Financial Deadlines. Financial penalties apply for courses dropped after August 25. During the <u>Schedule Adjustment</u> <u>Period</u>, students are able to exchange courses of equal credit value. Consult the <u>Academic</u> <u>Calendar</u> and <u>Academic Deadlines</u> each semester.
- Make Academic Advising Appointment. After you have attended one Orientation Session and taken the Placement Exams, you can make an appointment with your academic advisor to discuss your course selections for the upcoming semester.
- Search for Housing. Housing options can be found through the <u>Office of Off-Campus Housing</u> <u>Services</u>.
- ✓ Turn in your Immunization Form at the Health Center. This <u>form</u> is required to register for your second semester. Turn it in ASAP.
- ✓ Consider Health Insurance Options. Graduate students are not required by UMD to have health insurance, but we highly recommend it. Grad students can elect to enroll in the <u>Student Health</u> <u>Insurance Plan</u>.
- Textbooks. You will receive a list of textbooks in your course syllabi on the first day of class. Books can be found at the University Book Center (umcp.bncollege.com) in the Union, the Book Exchange (marylandbook.com), Bookholders (bookholders.com), and online store such as Amazon.com. Many ENTS instructors use nontextbook materials.

- Need a parking permit? Parking permits are available through DOTS.
- Need to learn the bus schedule? The Shuttle UM is operated by DOTS. Find the <u>schedule and</u> routes through DOTS.
- ✓ Need a computer? Discounted computers can be purchased from the Terrapin Technology Store.
- ✓ Update Contact Information. Update your contact information through <u>Testudo</u>.
- Final Transcripts/Diploma Verification. If a provision of your admission is to submit your final transcripts, you either need to send the OFFICIAL copy to the <u>Graduate School</u> or walk it in during office hours. You will NOT be permitted to register for your second semester if this provision is not met.

## **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:**

- Attend a Mandatory Immigration Session. Register for your session with <u>ISSS</u>. Complete your immigration document check-in.
- ✓ Attend ISSS General Sessions. These sessions will help you with the transition to American culture, academics, and life at UMD. We recommend sessions like: Grad School Policies, Safety & Security, Avoiding Plagiarism, Academic Success and American Culture.
- ✓ Attend a Job Search 101 for F-1 Students and Resume Writing Workshop at the Engineering Co-Op and Career Services Office. Review the Career Services Checklist.
- ✓ English Proficiency Provision. You can submit additional TOEFL or IELTS scores up until July 15 to meet the minimum English requirements.

Make sure to visit the New Student Website!

If you have questions, please email the Program Office at telecomprogram@umd.edu

## MASTER'S IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS: QUICK RESOURCE GUIDE

University of Maryland General Resources	
The Graduate School www.gradschool.umd.edu	❖General Graduate Student Resources
Office of the Registrar www.registrar.umd.edu	❖Academic records and policies
Office of the Bursar Lee Building www.bursar.umd.edu	Tuition and fees, billing and payments, tuition due dates
Office of Student Financial Aid www.financialaid.umd.edu	Financial aid status for qualifying students: grants, loans, work-study
Testudo www.testudo.umd.edu	<ul> <li>Current student services: course registration, grades, transcripts, financials, academic calendar, academic deadlines</li> </ul>
International Student Scholar Services 1126 H.J. Patterson Hall 301-314-7740 internationalservices@umd.edu www.globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/international-student-scholar-services	International student services: Immigration status and policies
Office of Student Conduct www.osc.umd.edu	❖University honor code and academic integrity
Graduate Student Life http://thestamp.umd.edu/engagement/graduate_student_life	Graduate student community campus life
Graduate Student Life Handbook http://thestamp.umd.edu/GH/	On and off campus graduate student services and programs
Office of Off-Campus Housing http://www.och.umd.edu/OCH/Default.aspx	❖Housing search, roommate finder, rental database
Department of Transportation Services www.dots.umd.edu	Parking, shuttle, biking, parking registration, campus maps
University Health Center www.health.umd.edu	Clinical services, health promotion, required immunizations, and medical history forms
A. James Clark School of Engineering www.eng.umd.edu	❖Home page, links to general information
University Career Center http://www.careers.umd.edu/home.cfm	Extensive career services, finding a part time job on campus
Engineering Co-Op Career Services 1131 Glen L. Martin Hall 301-405-3863 co-op@eng.umd.edu http://www.coop.eng.umd.edu/home	Resume critiques, interview strategies, job search resources, career fairs, networking strategies, etc. tailored for engineering students
University Human Resources www.ejobs.umd.edu	Postings for assistantships (TAs, RAs, AAs). Please refer to the Graduate School's policies on assistantships.
Master's in Telecommunications Resources	
Academic Advising: Dr. Dellomo 1363 AV Williams 301-405-1233 mdellomo@umd.edu www.ece.umd.edu/~mdellomo/	Make an appointment to discuss academic interests and course plans
Administrative Advising: ENTS Program Office 2433 AV Williams 301-405-3682 telecomprogram@umd.edu www.telecom.umd.edu	All administrative affairs including forms, student status, graduate school provisions, paper submissions
ENTS Graduate Handbook http://www.telecom.umd.edu/graduate-handbook	ENTS Degree Requirements http://www.telecom.umd.edu/degree-requirements
ENTS Placement Exams http://www.telecom.umd.edu/placement-exams	ENTS Course Descriptions http://www.telecom.umd.edu/courselist
ENTS Forms	Telecommunications Students and Alumni Network (TSAN)

http://www.tsan.umd.edu/index.php

http://www.telecom.umd.edu/forms-and-deadlines