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
  o In one line in the body of the email, message: “subscribe ents-students [first name] [last name]”
  o 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 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 Mandatory Orientation/WELCOME Session.
  o Friday, August 19 @ 11:00 AM – KEB 1110
  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. This session is mandatory and will be followed by a Q & A

✓ Take the ENTS Placement Exams. These exams determine exemption from ENTS 622 and/or ENTS 640 (core courses). Exams will be held on:
  o Monday, August 21, 2023
    Sign-In @ 9:50 AM
    Exam Begins @ 10:00 AM
    LOCATION: Computer Science Instructional Centers -Room 1115
    Detail information can be found in the new student website.

✓ Register for Courses. Register using Testudo. Registration opens in January. 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.
  o Fall 2023 – dates to be determined

✓ Know the Academic and Financial Deadlines. Financial penalties apply for courses dropped after August 25. During the Schedule Adjustment Period, students are able to exchange courses of equal credit value. Consult the Academic Calendar and Academic Deadlines 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 Office of Off-Campus Housing Services.

✓ Turn in your Immunization Form at the Health Center. This form 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 Student Health Insurance Plan.

✓ 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 non-textbook 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 schedule and routes through DOTS.

✓ Need a computer? Discounted computers can be purchased from the Terrapin Technology Store.

✓ Update Contact Information. Update your contact information through Testudo.

✓ 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 Graduate School 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:

✓ Complete new international student check list and pre-arrival activities.

✓ Attend ISSS Programs. These programs will help you with the transition to American culture, academics, and life at UMD.

✓ Attend a Job Search 101 for F-1 Students and Resume Writing Workshop at the Engineering Co-Op and Career Services Office.

✓ English Proficiency Provision. You can submit additional TOEFL or IELTS scores up until November 30 to meet the minimum English requirements. Superscores will also be accepted

Make sure to visit the ENTS New Student Resources!

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

 Current student services: course registration, grades, transcripts, financials, academic calendar, academic deadlines

International Student Scholar Services
1126 H.J. Patterson Hall 301-314-7740
internationalservices@umd.edu
https://globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/international-students-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

 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
https://www.careers.umd.edu/

 Extensive career services, finding a part time job on campus

Engineering Co-Op Career Services
1131 Glen L. Martin Hall 301-405-3863
coop@eng.umd.edu
https://eng.umd.edu/careers/students/job-search-tips

 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

 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