Use the checklist below to plan for your first semester at Tulane.  
Most items are strongly encouraged while some are required.  ROLL WAVE!

Financial Aid and University Records:

☐ Apply for Financial Aid: To apply for federal aid, complete a [FAFSA](#), and to apply for need-based scholarship from Tulane, complete a [CSS Profile](#) and send [tax documentation](#).

☐ Check for missing financial aid items (which may be incremental) by logging into Gibson Online Financial Aid and checking the [Student Requirements](#) tab.

☐ Elect if you wish to grant your parent or guardian access to your [Tulane financial information](#). Once each account is created, authorized users will have access to view electronic billing statements, view account activity & history, and access electronic payment options. Additionally, authorized users will receive direct billing notifications by email when new statements are available.

☐ Discuss with your family completing the [Authorization to Release Educational Records](#) form to grant your parent or guardian access to your educational records.

☐ Enter your [preferred name and pronoun](#) information by visiting the Office of the Registrar and Gibson Online.

☐ **January 31:** Spring Tuition Bill Due. Tulane [Accounts Receivable](#) bills are paid through [Gibson Online](#) on the Billing tab.

Academics:

☐ Check your [Tulane email](#) regularly!

☐ Request any needed accommodations and submit documentation with the [Goldman Center for Student Accessibility](#). This includes testing.

☐ Review the [Spring 2018 Schedule of Classes](#) [available mid-October]

☐ Schedule an appointment with your academic advisor to plan your course schedule prior to registration. Contact the Advising Center at advising@tulane.edu or (504) 865-5798. [Registration for Spring Scholars will begin October 25.](#)

☐ Become familiar with [Tulane’s Core Curriculum](#) – requirements all students must fulfill to graduate.

☐ Review [Tulane’s comprehensive list majors and minors](#). There are over 80 to explore!

☐ Review the [Tulane University Code of Academic Conduct](#).

Campus Health:

☐ Submit your immunization forms and records to The Health Center via [Tulane’s Patient Portal](#). You must submit these records to register for classes!

☐ Complete the [mandatory online health promotion courses](#). Courses must be completed before your arrival.

☐ **January 26:** Deadline to waive or decline the mandatory [student health insurance](#). Students can waive or decline student health insurance beginning [December 11.](#)
Housing, Dining & Splash Card ID:

- **November 15**: Deadline to complete the housing application to request housing on campus. You will be notified via the email address listed on your housing application by mid-December of your housing assignment. Apply as soon as possible starting **November 1**! Contact Housing and Residence Life.

- Submit an electronic photograph to receive your **Tulane ID** (Splash Card) by mail or pick one up on your first day on campus. (Card Services is open from 9 am – 5 pm in 107 LBC Mondays through Fridays)

- **January 8 at 12 pm**: Move-in date for new students participating in Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment. Students must be registered for recruitment with the **Office of Fraternity and Sorority Programs** to check in on this date.

- **January 11 at 12 pm**: Move-in date for new students not participating in Panhellenic recruitment.

- Review the spring move-in materials to prepare for your arrival on campus [available mid-December]

- Sign up for your meal plan. After you register for classes, visit Tulane University Dining Services to view the meal plan options.

- **On-campus Parking Permit**: **Spring Transfer Students** Purchase a parking permit through Tulane Parking Services Office if you will have a car on campus.

Orientation & Campus Involvement:

- **October 20**: Deadline for Spring Scholars interested in fraternity or sorority recruitment to complete this [form](#) stating intention to partake in recruitment.

- **January 9**: **Students participating in Panhellenic recruitment** Attend Spring Orientation from 8:30 – 11 am in the Stibbs Room 203, Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life. Be sure to RSVP!

- **January 12**: **Students NOT participating in Panhellenic recruitment** Attend Spring Orientation at 9 am in the Woldenberg Art Complex, Freeman Auditorium. Be sure to RSVP!

- **January 12 – 15**: **Spring Scholars** Join the orientation staff and other Spring Scholars for the NOLA Experience Program. Sign up for the program when you register for Spring Orientation!

- Set up your OrgSync Portal through Gibson Online to check out campus organizations and learn more about different ways to get involved. Your login information is the same as your Gibson ID and password.

- **January 26**: Attend the Spring Activities Expo to get involved in the multitude of student organizations on campus! Check out OrgSync for more information on the time and location!

- Visit our First-Year Involvement Opportunities web page to learn about Tulane’s many peer mentor programs available for new students.

Lagniappe (“a little something extra”):

- Order your textbooks through Gibson Online from the Barnes & Noble campus university bookstore.

- Check out on-campus jobs through Tulane’s College Central Network. Remember to bring original documents to campus to complete your I-9. Visit Student Employment’s website for more information.

- Review the Tulane University Code of Student Conduct, and familiarize yourself with the Student Responsibilities within the Code.