U.S. POST-GRADUATE APPLICATION TIMELINE

18 Months Before Classes Begin

Leverage counselors, college fairs, & college websites to research university options. Consider factors like size, location, type (public/private), cost, area of specialization, & career goals.

This will help you identify universities that meet



your academic & financial needs.

12 Months Before Classes Begin



Register, prepare for & take required tests (GRE/GMAT, English proficiency).

Narrow your university list to 10-12 based on fit. Show interest through university contact or participating in university information sessions.

September - December

After narrowing your college list to 6-10, request recommendations & transcripts from your UG college. Complete & submit applications well before deadlines, including financial aid if needed. Track updates communication, requests for interviews, etc.



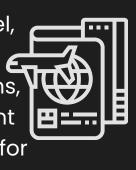
January - April



Upon receiving admissions & financial aid offers, choose your dream school & notify them. Craft a comprehensive financial plan, finalize tuition payments, secure housing, & budget for living expenses.

May - July

Secure F-1 visa (SEVIS, interview, fee) & finalize travel, housing. Register for classes & connect with your program coordinator. For research-based programs, finalize funding & research plans. Explore intl student resources & connect with your lab/research group for a smooth transition.



July - August



Attend orientation, set up a bank account, shop for dorm and class needs, and meet with your advisor to plan your courses.