The information on this page is intended for new faculty, researchers, and other scholars who will be arriving at Yale to begin their appointments soon.

We are sure you have a lot of questions about next steps and how to prepare for your move to New Haven, so we have compiled the following resources to get you started on your journey to Yale. This guide contains information on everything from applying for your visa to packing your bags, so make sure you read through each subject carefully.

**Outside the U.S.? Applying for Your U.S. Visa**

Learn about the steps you need to take in order to begin the visa application process.

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Already in the U.S.? Moving Your Visa Sponsorship to Yale

Learn about the steps you need to take to transfer your employment visa to Yale.
Preparing for Yale

As you prepare to depart, you will have many questions about living in New Haven. Review these resources for many answers to your questions.

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Travel & Arrival

How to get to Yale and what you need to be aware of once you arrive.

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OISS Orientation

Information on how to register for your OISS orientation.

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**Your First Two Weeks at Yale**

What you'll need to do in your first two weeks.

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**Visa, Immigration Status, and Entry Stamp**

Learn about the differences between a visa, your immigration status, and an entry stamp.

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**J-2 Status for Spouses, Partners & Children**

The spouse or partner and dependent children of the J-1 Exchange Visitor are eligible for J-2 status and may use this status to accompany the J-1 individual to the U.S.

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