Checklist for Students Starting Degree Studies Spring 2026

You have uploaded your bank letter OR Financial Guarantee OR Admission Purpose Only Letter (for SACM students only) by Dec. 6, 2025 at: https://oips.gmu.edu/current-pathway-students-entering-george-mason-for-degree-studies/
You have uploaded your Certificate of Financial Responsibility (CFR) by Dec. 6, 2025 at: https://oips.gmu.edu/current-pathway-students-entering-george-mason-for-degree-studies/
You have received email confirmation from OIPS that your Proof of Funding AND CFR are acceptable.
You are traveling outside of the U.S. after the Fall 2025 semester and have received a travel signature on your current Pathways I-20, which ends 05/31/2026 or later. Your Passport and F-1 visa are also valid for re-entry into the U.S.
You have received official notification from INTO Mason that you can start Degree Studies in Spring 2026.
You have received your Degree I-20 from OIPS after receiving notification from INTO Mason.
You have returned to the U.S. with either your Degree I-20 or your valid Pathway I-20 ending 05/31/2026 or later; OR if you did NOT travel , you have received your Degree I-20 at OIPS after receiving an email from us.
You completed the online check-in to activate your Degree I-20 at http://oips.gmu.edu/international-student-check-in-form/ . You need to wait until AFTER you have received your Degree I-20 to complete check-in.

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