

# WHEN YOU ARRIVE

**Within the first week of your arrival you should do the following things:**

- Contact ISSS to notify them of your arrival\*
- Get a student ID card\*\*
- Find a place to live (if you have not done so already)
- Open a bank account
- Order the necessary utilities for your house (electricity, water, gas, etc.)
- Apply for a Social Security Number (SSN) if you are employed
- Figure out transportation (car, taxi, bus, bicycle, walking)
- Meet with any other Vanderbilt Staff as indicated in your correspondence with the University

**\*Contact International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) to notify them of your arrival.** It is required for all new students to check-in with ISSS. Please bring all of your travel documents (passport, visa, I-94, I-20/DS-2019) with you so that copies can be made for your files. We will also need copies of travel documents for all your dependents with you in the U.S.

**\*\*Get your student ID card made:**

Commodore Card Office  
184 Sarratt Student Center  
Nashville, TN 37240  
(615) 322-2273  
(800) 632-0998  
M-F 8:30-4:00  
Tues until 7:00 pm