International Student
Question and Answer Session

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Panelists:
• Bukola Bolanle Adeoye-Oba, MPH student in maternal and Child Health
• Rodrigo Costa Liao, MPH student in health behavior
• Obie Daniel, MPH student in health behavior
• Gabriele Gardenal, MPH student the public health leadership program

Moderator:
Naya Villarreal, Program Coordinator for Global Health
1. Housing
2. Arrival, Transportation and More
3. Academics
4. Adjusting to the U.S.
5. Weather
6. Resources
Housing:
How did you secure housing?
When did you start looking for housing?
Average cost of living in Chapel Hill?
Helpful tips when looking for housing?

Helpful Links:
Off-campus housing tool: https://offcampushousing.unc.edu/
On-campus apartments: https://housing.unc.edu/housing/apartments
Arrival, Transportation and More:
What did you do when you arrived at the airport?
Transport to town?
How do you get around town?
Where to find furniture?

Helpful Links:
Transportation Resources: http://isss.unc.edu/resources-2/transportation/
Academics:
How and when do you find out about signing up for classes?
How many credits do you usually take in a semester?
How are exams?
What is Sakai?
Can you talk about classroom “etiquette” in the U.S.?
Adjusting to the U.S.:
Any tips in adjusting to life in the U.S.? How long did it take you?
When and where do I get my student ID card?
What can I use the card for?
Do any of you have a driver’s license?
What did you need to do to get a license?
Any documents you should definitely bring with you?

*Helpful Links:*
UNC International Student Facebook Group:
https://www.facebook.com/uncchapelhillinternational
Weather:
How is the weather?
What type of clothing should I bring?
How cold does it get during the winter?
Resources:

**Office of Student Affairs (at UNC Gillings):** We coordinate major schoolwide programs such as orientations, a student activities fair, a career and internship fair, and professional development workshops. Located in 263 Rosenau Hall.  Sph-osa@unc.edu

**Research, Innovation and Global Solutions Office (at UNC Gillings):** We liaise with the Office of International Students and Scholars Services to create a welcoming atmosphere for UNC Gillings international students. We coordinate events geared towards students interested in global health (including meet and greets for international students). Located in 104 Rosenau Hall. globalsolutions@unc.edu

**Office of International Students and Scholars Services:** We are a university-wide resource assisting international students, scholars and their families while they are at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill by providing social opportunities and logistical assistance. The office hosts a number of ongoing programs such as orientation for international students and scholars, a host family friendship program, an international women’s conversation group, tax seminars, and advising on acclimation to the United States and the U.S. system of higher education. See their [Frequently Asked Questions](https://sph.unc.edu/students/international-students/)

**UNC Gillings International Students Webpage:**
[https://sph.unc.edu/students/international-students/](https://sph.unc.edu/students/international-students/)
Thank You

Please join us for the **UNC Gillings Diversity Orientation on August 17, 2018**. More details will be sent to you over email during the summer!