**WHAT TO PACK**
for UC Berkeley New International Students

**IN YOUR CARRY-ON: REQUIRED**
- Boarding pass
- Passport
- I-20 (F-1) OR DS-2019 (J-1)
- Spending money and traveler’s checks (about $500–$2000)
- Phone (or buy in the U.S.)
- Important documents (admission letter, driver’s license, transcripts, vaccination records)

**IN YOUR CARRY-ON: OPTIONAL**
- Medicine and prescription *
- Charger, adapter/ converter
- Laptop/ Tablet
- Camera
- Travel pillow
- Earplugs
- Travel-size toiletries
- A light packet
- Credit card

# Tips from Cal students
- Checked bag weight limit is normally 50 lb (23 kg).
- Most Cal students recommend bringing about 1000 USD.
- The average temperature in Berkeley is from 50-75°F (10-23°C).
- Do not bring customer prohibited items (e.g., fresh fish, live plants).
- Do not put your valuable items in your checked bag.

**IN YOUR CHECKED BAG**
- Clothes (business casual, work, and outdoor clothing)
- Swimwear, coat (uncommon)
- Eye glasses and contact lenses
- Gifts that represent your culture
- Travel-sized toiletries (for a week)
- Family photos or other reminders of home

**BUY IN THE US**

- Bed sheets & Blanket
- Toiletries
- Towels
- Umbrella
- Electronics (laptop, phone)
- Cosmetics
- Hair dryer
- Cal gear

Search “Berkeley International Office Arrival Guide”
You will find more information about shopping. It’s on page 34.