

## Visiting Scholar Checklist

### Before your trip:

#### 1. Plan Ahead:

- Get to know your faculty mentor & ask questions about your program.
- Complete visa forms sent to you by Global Network.
- Research housing options in Baton Rouge & reserve your stay.
- Make sure that your passport is valid to at least six months from your arrival date.

#### 2. Secure Immigration Documents

- Receive your DS-2019 in the mail.
- Make your visa appointment at your embassy.
- Bring your DS-2019 from the LSU AgCenter to your visa appointment.
- Get your visa in the mail

#### 3. Make Travel Plans

- Purchase plane tickets
- Send your flight itinerary with the coordinator and faculty mentor
- Arrange transportation from the airport to LSU (especially if flying to New Orleans).
- Pack! Find a helpful packing list on our website.

#### 4. Make Your Health Insurance Decisions

- Read the LSU AgCenter's health insurance requirements.
- Purchase the appropriate health insurance for yourself and any dependents for the duration of your stay.
- Provide proof of coverage to your coordinator.

#### 5. Connect with students and other visiting scholars.

- Take the survey on our website to get paired with a Global Ag Ambassador "buddy" who will show you around campus and help you get acclimated to LSU and Louisiana.