Checklist of Things to Do Before Starting Classes

☐ Contact your advisor to see if you need to discuss course registration and plan of study with them. Go to the Flashline section of the Getting Started Guide for more details on how to register for classes.

☐ Read information on registering for student health insurance and decide if you want to enroll in the plan. International students are required to enroll in the university’s student health insurance plan or enroll in a plan with comparable coverage.

☐ Review the information on the immunization requirement for all students on the Kent campus and submit records of immunization to the University Health Center.

☐ For students commuting to campus, make sure to purchase your parking pass.

☐ For students who are beginning a graduate assistantship appointment, make sure to review the information on finalizing your assistantship hiring paperwork. Representatives from Academic Personnel will be available at GSO to assist with the completion of the paperwork.

☐ Register for Graduate Student Orientation (GSO). You should receive an invite via email or go to the GSO registration page.

☐ Review what other orientations are being offered including International Student Orientation and department or college-specific orientations.

☐ Obtain a FLASHcard, which can be used to check out materials from the library, access university facilities, and more. Students can take time to get their FLASHcard while attending Graduate Student Orientation (GSO), just remember to bring a photo ID such as a driver's license, passport or state-issued ID.