

Budget & Safety Tips

Omani Students in USA & Canada





Financial Advises

- Importance of Budgeting and avoid overspending, and Pay your bills on time
- Don't share your banking information (pin number) or social security number with anyone and Don't give out personal information on the internet or phone.
- Be alert and cautious regarding offers that may be money scams over the phone or email (i.e. No officer will call you on the phone...)
- Missing Credit cards or ID needs to be reported urgently
- Don't walk around with cash and watch your purse or wallet in busy stores and parking lots.
- Don't leave possessions unattended

Safety reminders

- Choose a safe area for housing, and Lock car / apartment rooms / bike.
- Get a Driver License or State ID and Keep your passport as well as immigration documents in a safe place. Travel with all your documents. Report immediately if missing.
- To Drive in the US: Driving License / Car Insurance / respect rules and make sure your documents are updated and if you have any fines, make sure they are paid on time.
- Never ride in a car with someone you don't know, better use public transportation, Never walk alone after dark.
- Respecting Social Media Rules and avoid disclosing information to anonymous people or engaging in prolonged conversation with them
- Being alert to Fraud (calls/ identity Thefts/ internet vigilance...etc)
- Show great respect to officers and /or any law enforcement entity





Cultural Integration

- Always remember that you are an ambassador of your country
- Respect the American Culture and try to understand it :
 - Sensitivity to issues as race/color/religion/gender
 - Freedom of speech but with respect to other
 - Zero tolerance for Bullying and invasion of personal space
 - Male/ Female relationships
 - Respect to diversity and different orientations
- Understand the seriousness of plagiarism and lying or making up excuses all the time..
- Understand the nature of Teacher Student relations/problems
- Avoid spending time alone. Engage in sports, social activities, work on campus opportunities..

