Requirements for New F-1 Visa Students

Congratulations! Welcome Renegades!

Now that you have been accepted as an F-1 visa student at Bakersfield College, you are required to comply with the following matriculation procedures before registering for courses:

⇒ Visa: You must make an appointment for a US visa at a US consulate in your home country and pay the student visa (Form I-901) at https://fmjfee.com/i901fee/desktop/index.jsp?view=desktop
  → Before visiting the US Embassy be prepared for your interview by presenting the following:
    o I-20 Form with Acceptance Letter
    o Financial Documents/Scholarship
    o SEVIS (I-901) Receipt
    o Valid Passport

⇒ Admission to Bakersfield College: Now that you’ve been admitted as an F-1 visa and have a student ID#
  → Visit the BC website and apply to CCCapply at www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/admissions.
    o You must use the student ID # we provided you (990-10-XXXX) in place of the Social Security Number (SSN) that the Admission form is requesting.
  → After you submit your application, you will receive a Bakersfield College Banner Student ID beginning with @00 and a student email ending in @email.bakersfieldcollege.edu

⇒ NOTE: You may have an issue getting access to the Bakersfield College server from overseas; you may try using your phone to complete this. Otherwise, refer to https://www.tunnelbear.com to access our services through a Virtual Private Network (VPN) with a US-based IP address. Any VPN with a US-based IP address will do.

⇒ F-1 Orientation: There are two Orientations required by all F-1 Visa admitted students:-
  → Online Orientation: Must be completed prior to your traveling to the US by visiting: https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/international/international-orientation
  → In-Person Orientation: Will be held on campus before classes began
    Date: August 10 & 11, 2016    Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM    Location: Student Services (SS) #151

⇒ Assessment: All students MUST attend and complete a placement test in order to determine their ability in reading, writing, and math skills, regardless of their IELTS or TOEFL score. (TOEFL/IELTS scores are for purpose of admissions only)
  → Assessment testing is available on campus upon your arrival.
  → You will be placed in English and math courses according to your assessment results.

⇒ Counseling & Registration: You will be meeting with a counselor to discuss your registration and course selection.
⇒ Student Educational Plan (SEP): All students will complete a Student Education Plan after the second week of classes.

⇒ Student Fees: All fees must be paid upon registration.

⇒ Housing: Bakersfield College does not offer housing on-campus.
  → For off campus housing, refer to: https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/campus/student-housing

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