Topic: Questions for the On-Boarding of Spring 2021

Date: 23.12.2020

Time: 9.00 pm IST

Snigdha

- 1. Most of them have done with their housing search, for later which landlords to prefer henceforth?
- 2. Where to buy what stuff required there, name of stores etc? Considering the quarantine period, do stores have a home delivery policy in general till we are out of quarantine?
- 3. Some initiatives or activities that you would like to suggest that happen in the university to participate in?
- 4. What are the maximum credits that you can register for? Is it a good idea to register yourself for more credits if they're free and its impact on the resume?
- 5. How's the availability of Indian groceries in buffalo for masalas, cereals, pulses & their affordability?
- 6. When does our university health insurance kick in? Before term starts which health insurance is preferable?
- 7. What things to pack for winters? Also cereal pulses can be carried from India or should be purchased there?
- 8. Which health insurance to take if not ub's.
- 9. Carrying of oils, creams, seeds, pulses in the checked in bag
- 10. Will the jobs be available this spring?
- 11. Do we have dell or apple stores inside the university to buy laptops and phones?
- 12. Pros and cons for thesis VS project masters in MS at UB
- 13. Must bring essentials from India.
- 14. What's your take on having bicycles there apart from the snow months?
- 15. Covid test required after arrival and what is the available facility or procedure for the same.
- 16. Is travel insurance required or UB insurance will cover?
- 17. what basic groceries can we take from here...can we take home made ghee?
- 18. What are provisions for eating outside? Like is the university dining recommended for monthly plans?
- 19. Does insurance cover Covid?
- 20. How much does a Covid test cost there?
- 21. Do we need prescriptions for all the medicines that we carry?
- 22. which insurance would you recommend I found gradly insurance premium for 1200\$ and UB one is for 1800\$

Dixit

- 1. How to move around Buffalo, like what's the best mode of transport to use, is it free for students? Commute within buffalo available options for University and other areas
- 2. Credit cards? Yes or no?
- 3. Should we apply for an international driving permit or is the Indian permit good for now? Also explain about NY State driving permit?
- 4. Which bank should we prefer for opening a new account? What questions to ask the manager to get the best deal?
- 5. Which forex card works best and is acceptable at most places?
- 6. How much emergency reserve to keep aside?
- 7. How reliable is prodigy finance? Any reviews?
- 8. Best wifi connection with respect to speed and price vise
- 9. About wire transfer by the bank to the UB in case of the Loan
- 10. Mode of transport from Buffalo airport to apartment
- 11. Should we open NRE/NRO account
- 12. How to get Canada tourist visa
- 13. Sim Card & Driving Licence issue
- 14. how difficult is it to get an on campus job at any place other than cdc...say library
- 15. what would be the average living expenses for a month?
- 16. College ID card & when & how Bank a/c opening (Will be covered during time line explanation)
- 17. Immigration documents, methods, form to be filled (when & where) (Timeline question)
- 18. About class registrations & on boarding of classes (timeline question)