

# Accepting the Offer

- **What should you do?**
  - Read the letter of acceptance carefully
  - Make sure all your personal details are correct
  - Make sure you understand the details of the offer
  - Send an email to [IntGrad@technion.ac.il](mailto:IntGrad@technion.ac.il) accepting the offer
- **Whom to contact?**
  - If there is an issue with the letter contact Ms. Gabriella Laufmann at: [intgrad@technion.ac.il](mailto:intgrad@technion.ac.il)
  - To accept the offer "Reply All" to the email you received

# Getting a Visa

- **What should you do?**
  - You will need a student visa (type A2)
  - Contact the nearest Israeli embassy/consulate and follow their instructions. Details at: <https://www.mfa.gov.il/mfa/consularservices/pages/visas.aspx#A/2>
- **Whom to contact?**
  - To schedule an appointment with the consular services contact the nearest embassy/consulate: <https://www.gov.il/en/Departments/dynamiccollectors/israeli-consular-services?skip=0>
  - If you encounter problems during the process contact Technion International: [students@int.technion.ac.il](mailto:students@int.technion.ac.il)
  - If additional Documents are needed, contact the Graduate School: [intgrad@technion.ac.il](mailto:intgrad@technion.ac.il)

# Arrange Your Arrival

- **What should you do?**
  - Choose a date of arrival and book a flight
  - Purchase health insurance that will cover you in Israel, at least for the first few weeks.
  - Arrange to meet the "student guide" during your first days on campus
- **Whom to contact?**
  - For health insurance we recommend using "Yedidim" agency: <https://www.yedidim-health.co.il/students>
  - Inform the graduate school, the graduate studies secretary at your department and your advisor regarding your arrival date, all are cc'ed to your acceptance letter.
  - Student guide: [gr-guide@technion.ac.il](mailto:gr-guide@technion.ac.il)

# First Days on Campus

- **What should you do?**
  - Arrange to open a bank account
  - Finish the required paperwork
  - Arrange to meet with the Graduate Coordinator in the department and the advisor
- **Whom To Contact?**
  - For non-academic issues (bank, shopping etc.) contact the student guide: [gr-guide@technion.ac.il](mailto:gr-guide@technion.ac.il)
  - For academic issues contact your department (see your acceptance email for details)

## Additional Information and Tips

### Accepting the Offer:

- The email you received includes some useful information. We recommend that you read the email and keep it for future reference.
- Your advisor and the Graduate Studies Coordinator at the department are cc'ed to this email, you may use this information should you need to contact them.

### Getting a Visa

- The process of getting a visa may take some time, it is important to start the process as soon as possible.
- Usually, the only document you need from us is the acceptance letter. However, you may be asked to provide additional documentation, such as proof for receiving dormitories. This is a normal part of the process, don't hesitate to contact us if more documents are needed.

### Arranging your Arrival

- When scheduling a flight, we recommend planning to arrive to Technion between Sunday-Thursday during regular business hours. This is especially important if you will receive dormitories. You will not be able to receive a key to your assigned dorms outside of normal business hours.
- We encourage you to avoid arriving during the weekend and national holidays, both because of the dorms and because public transport is not available during weekends and holidays.
- If you do arrive during non-business hours you will need to arrange accommodations by yourself.
- If you will receive dormitories, please consider the earliest move-in dates (you will receive additional information regarding these dates).
- You may start the process of opening a bank account in advance. Ask the student guide for assistance.
- Make sure to have sufficient funds to support yourself during your first weeks at Technion as the first instalment of the scholarship will be paid at the 1<sup>st</sup> of your second month at the Technion for the previous month. At a minimum we recommend having 800\$ with you: 200\$ will be needed as a deposit for dormitories and additional 600\$ to buy necessities during your first days on campus and as an emergency fund if your scholarship is delayed for some reason.

### First Days on Campus

- The first days on campus may be quite hectic. We recommend starting with your living arrangements and then taking care of the academic process. Start by moving into your accommodation, making sure you have the basics needed for the first few days. Then open a bank account. Finally, arrange to meet the Graduate coordinators at your department to take care of all academic process.
- Do not hesitate to ask the student guide for assistance with any non-academic question, such as arranging a local SIM card, where to buy groceries etc.

### General information:

- A full guide for new students is available at <https://graduate.technion.ac.il/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-2020.pdf>
- When contacting Technion staff please allow 2-3 business days for an answer
- If you are unsure whom to contact, email Ms. Laufmann and she will direct you to the correct person