ABOUT THE WEATHER... The good news is that it only rains during the winter months. Seattle also has plenty of sun with beaches, mountains and boating to enjoy. Seattle is mild in the summer and cool in the winter. Temperatures range from 10-25 degrees Celsius year round.

CLOTHING: We recommend that you bring a wide range of clothing with you. On campus, students dress informally. Women wear skirts, pants, jeans, blouses, sweaters, sweat shirts and jackets. Everyone will find a light and heavy jacket to be useful. You will also want to bring comfortable clothes and shoes as many people in Seattle love to walk and be outdoors (despite the rain!)

PERSONAL ITEMS: Bring pictures, traditional clothing and music, books and small souvenirs from your country. These items are useful and interesting when you explain about your home, family, culture and country with the people and friends you make in the U.S. They also keep you from becoming home-sick.

MEDICINE: If you have any health concerns and take prescribed medication, ask your doctor to provide a copy of the prescription and bring it with you. If you have any special medical condition, bring a copy of your medical records. If you wear eyeglasses or contact lenses bring an extra pair.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: Items such as towels, soap and blanket are easy and affordable to purchase in the U.S. Bring the basic personal items you think are necessary. You will probably collect things in the U.S. that you will want to keep. If you bring too much, it may be difficult and expensive to send everything home when you return to your country.

BOOKS & SUPPLIES: School books and supplies can be purchased from the college bookstore when you register for class.

PASSPORT & IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS: Most importantly... do not forget your passport, I-20, financial support document and address in the U.S. where you will be staying. It is also smart to have the SSCC address handy. (SSCC, 6000 16th AVE SW, Seattle WA 98106, TEL: 206-764-5360)

Safe travels and see you in SEATTLE!