Cell Phone Information

You will be mailed a U.S. SIM card as part of your I-20 admissions packet through our partner Mint Mobile. Simply use this SIM card in your current phone and you will be able to connect to U.S. cellular service. Rates begin at $15/month for 3GB of data.

Most cell phone providers have many options for customers to choose from including a contract option or a pre-paid option. These options vary from each provider including deposits, required documents, and calling costs. This list provided below is an overview of cell phone providers used most often in Chicago that do not require a Social Security Number. This is for informational purposes only.

**AT&T**
Pre-Paid, Monthly Billing
Deposit set by store, need 3 months of continuous good payments to add international service

**Boost Mobile**
Pre-Paid Only
Only need to provide your name to set-up account, $10 international fee for calls to Mexico and Canada (unlimited text/walkie-talkie internationally)

**Cricket**
Pre-Paid Only
No contracts, need credit, debit, or prepaid card to set-up account, coverage in 60 international countries

**Sprint**
Monthly Billing
Need 2 valid IDs to set-up account in store, deposit required; service based upon phone selected

**T-Mobile**
Flex-Pay Plan
No credit check, student ID or Visa # needed, month-to-month plan

**Verizon**
Pre-Paid, Monthly Billing
Deposit required (returned with interest in 1 year), 190 international countries are covered

**Virgin Mobile**
Pre-Paid
Need cash balance to make international calls, call/look online for international coverage information

**If you bring your phone with you, it may be possible to purchase a SIM card through one of the companies listed above - please ask a representative from one of the carriers.**