FIRST-YEAR GUIDE
PREPARING FOR ORIENTATION AND YOUR FIRST SEMESTER

Orientation & First-Year Programs
OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION
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**New Student Checklist**

Before you are able to register for class at the University of Minnesota, you must complete your New Student Checklist. Each college of enrollment (i.e., College of Liberal Arts) has its own checklist. To access your personalized New Student Checklist go to myu.umn.edu and select the “My College” tab.

You will have additional checklist items based on your college of enrollment. Checklist items that all students need to complete include the following:

- **Initiate your U of M Email: www.umn.edu/initiate**
  
  Email is the official means of communication for the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. Reminders about orientation, your financial aid award letter and Welcome Week updates are just some of the information sent to your University of Minnesota email so, make sure you check it often.

  If you ever require assistance retrieving your Internet ID or resetting your password, call 612-301-4357. Due to security and privacy concerns, these requests cannot be handled by email.

- **Complete your Pre-Orientation Survey**
  
  This survey will provide your academic adviser with specific information about you and your expectations. Your adviser will use this information to help you register for your first semester classes on Day Two of Orientation. You will be asked to enter previous coursework and placement testing results (if applicable). This survey will take approximately 10 – 15 minutes. Once completed, you will be able to select your Orientation date.

- **Select your Orientation Date**
  
  Orientation occurs between June 8-July 14. Additional dates are available for International Students (see page 2). You can select your Orientation date once you have completed the Pre-Orientation Survey.

- **Invite your parents to Parent Orientation**
  
  Research shows parent involvement has a positive effect on a student’s transition to the University. Once you have selected your orientation date make sure you share that date with your parents or family members.

- **Complete Placement Testing**
  
  If you are required to complete placement testing, it will be listed on your New Student Checklist. Placement testing helps advisers determine the appropriate course placement.

- **Apply for Financial Aid**
  
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- **Apply for On-Campus Housing**
  
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- **Plan for Welcome Week**
  
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- **Submit Your Final High School Transcript — due August 1, 2011**
Orientation is a required two-day overnight program where you will meet other new students, learn about University resources, experience a night in a residence hall, meet with an adviser, and register for fall semester classes. Most Orientation programs will take place in June or July, based on your college of enrollment.

What happens at Orientation?

**DAY ONE**

Orientation begins with check-in on the ground floor of Coffman Memorial Union between 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. After checking in, you are encouraged to participate in any of the optional morning activities with your parents/guests. While optional, these activities are your opportunity to take care of any last minute questions or concerns.

Details about the optional morning activities can be found at: www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyschedule.

The program officially begins at 10:30 a.m. with the University Welcome for you and your parents/guests. You will then meet your Orientation Leader and a small group made up of students from your college. You can expect to learn about University resources, academic requirements, and begin preparation for class registration on Day Two.

During the required overnight stay you are invited to participate in evening activities with other students, prepare for class registration, or relax after a busy day.

**DAY TWO**

Your second day of Orientation starts with an early breakfast, followed by advising sessions with your college, class registration, and an opportunity to get your U Card. Students conclude Orientation at various times. Most students are finished in the late afternoon.

**Review the Class Selection Tutorial:**

At Orientation you will meet with an adviser and register for fall classes. The Class Selection Tutorial will show you how to use the U of M registration system. Make sure you review this prior to your Orientation date. onestop.umn.edu/registration/prepare/selection_tools/

**International Students**

Orientation & First-Year Programs works closely with International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) to create an orientation program specifically for you. The majority of our international students will attend orientation on either August 18-19, 25-26 or 29-30. You will receive more details about this orientation program via your U of M email so make sure you are checking it regularly. You will follow a slightly different orientation schedule than the one listed in this brochure.

After arriving on campus, international students must visit ISSS for Document Check. ISSS will review your visa documents and verify your immigration status to make sure that you are eligible to take classes. You will not be allowed to register for fall courses until you complete Document Check. To register for your Document Check visit: www.isss.umn.edu/new/docCheck.html.
Here are a few ways you can use your U Card at the University right away:

• Order your U-Pass (bus pass)
• Gain access to your residence hall during move-in weekend (and thereafter)
• Access your meal plan at residential dining facilities
• Charge books to your student account at the U of M Bookstores
• Access the recreation center
• Get discounted athletic or arts tickets
• Make purchases with Gopher GOLD™ value

Get your U Card one of two ways:
1. Visit the U Card Office on Day Two of your Orientation with a valid photo ID (driver’s license, state ID, passport, or high school ID) to have your picture taken and receive your U Card.

   Or avoid waiting in line and...

2. Complete and return the U Card Express Service forms you will receive in the mail from the U Card Office and we will preprint your U Card.
   • Simply go to the U Card Office on Day 2 of your Orientation, tell them you had your U Card preprinted, show your valid ID, and pick up your U Card. It takes only minutes!
   • To preprint your U Card we must receive your return information in the U Card office no later than two weeks prior to your Orientation date.
   • International students are not eligible.
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<td>For a complete schedule of the Parent Orientation program, please visit <a href="http://www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentschedule">www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentschedule</a>.</td>
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As the parent or family member of a new student, you are highly encouraged to attend the University of Minnesota's Parent Orientation. Parents and family members play a vital role as students adjust to University life. Parent Orientation will provide you with the resources and knowledge about the University to assist you in this role.

While you may have visited campus as part of a campus visit, recruitment or commitment event, Parent Orientation will provide you with different, relevant, and timely information regarding financial assistance, tuition and billing, health and safety, advising and registration, and valuable University support services.

Parent Orientation runs concurrent with New Student Orientation. While the New Student Orientation is two days, Parent Orientation is a one-day program, with optional sessions on Day Two.

**Sign Up**

Once your student registers for New Student Orientation, you can sign up for Parent Orientation at [www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentregistration](http://www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentregistration). Registration for Parent Orientation and New Student Orientation are separate. The cost to attend Parent Orientation is $25 and includes lunch and refreshments, a full day of workshops, and helpful materials. Preregistration is required. A fee waiver is available for eligible families. Please contact Orientation & First-Year Programs for additional information about the fee waiver process or any questions regarding Parent Orientation.

**Saturday Program Available!**

If you are unable to attend a weekday program with your student, we encourage you to attend our Saturday, June 25 program. For the Saturday schedule, visit [www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentschedule](http://www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentschedule).

**Evening Program**

Following a busy and exciting day at Parent Orientation, enjoy a casual dinner overlooking downtown Minneapolis, then head out with other parents on a two-hour trolley ride showcasing our beautiful city.

Highlights include the century-old milling district, Walker Sculpture Garden, and Chain of Lakes.

The cost to participate in the evening program is $32 per person. Advanced registration is required and space is limited. Register online at [www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentregistration](http://www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparentregistration).

*Please note, there is no evening program on Saturday, June 25.*

**Encouraging Independence**

As students begin their careers at the University, it is important that they register for classes on their own with the guidance of their academic advisers, and that they begin making their own decisions about their academic futures. Encouraging students to be self-sufficient will help them develop confidence, improve problem-solving skills, and enhance their overall experience at the U of M.

For additional information and to sign up for Parent Orientation go to: [www.ofyp.umn.edu/parents](http://www.ofyp.umn.edu/parents)
Hotels

The following hotels are close to Orientation activities. When making your reservation, let them know that you are visiting the University of Minnesota. A discount may apply.

Radisson University Hotel (East Bank)
www.radisson.com/minneapolis_metrodome
800-822-6757 or 612-379-8888

Days Hotel Minneapolis (East Bank)
www.daysinn.com/hotel/08225 800-375-3990 or 612-623-3999

Holiday Inn Minneapolis Metrodome (West Bank)
www.metrodome.com 800-448-3663 or 612-333-4646

Before You Arrive

Approximately one week before your scheduled orientation date, you will receive an email outlining some important information including driving directions and parking, packing list and other reminders. Be sure to check your U of M email and attend to this information.

Overnight Accommodations

Student Overnight Accommodations

June 8-July 14 and August 18-19: Automatically reserved in Frontier Hall when you set your orientation date (required)

Extra Nights or August 25

If you need to stay an extra night, or if you are attending August 25, visit housing.umn.edu/summerhousing/2011/student to see if space is available in Frontier Hall. Cost is $22 per night, including tax, payable that evening with cash or check. Check-in anytime after 3 p.m.

August 29-30: Not available without a housing contract

Parent Overnight Accommodations

June 8-July 14, August 18, August 25

On-campus lodging is available at Frontier Hall, about five blocks east of Coffman Union. The rate for a single room is $38, or $54 for a double room per room, per night including tax, payable by cash or check when you arrive. You will be able to check into your room at 3:00 p.m., or earlier if your room is ready. Your room will have basic amenities such as linens and towels.

To make your reservation: housing.umn.edu/summerhousing/2011/parent

August 29: No on-campus option — see hotel listing below

Disability/Mobility Accommodations

The Disability Services office is committed to making the University accessible and inviting for students, faculty, staff, and guests with disabilities. If you have a disability and would like to request accommodations (these include sign language interpreters and alternate formats), please contact Disability Services at 612-626-1333 (v/tty) or ds@umn.edu. Arrangements must be made two weeks prior to your Orientation date.

If you or guest have a short-term disability (e.g. broken leg) and would have difficulty walking long distances during Orientation, please contact Orientation & First-Year Programs at 1-800-234-1979 for golf cart accommodations.
Once school begins, here are some great ways for parents and families to stay connected with the University:

Parent Program

The Parent Program helps connect parents and families with information about the U of M and the student experience. Check out the Parent Program website to learn more about what is featured on this page and other Parent Program resources and initiatives including:

- Timely updates and reminders
- Online workshops, guides, and seminars on topics such as student alcohol use, mental health, and college finances
- Current news stories
- Parent events

Parent Newsletter

Throughout the year, parents will receive a quarterly newsletter through the mail from the U of M about campus issues and events of particular interest to parents.

In addition, you can sign up for biweekly parent messages designed to keep you updated on current campus events. To sign up, send your email address to parent@umn.edu. You can also find parent resources and information on the University Parent website at www.parent.umn.edu.

Residence Hall Move-In Begins August 30

There will be a program for parents on August 30 and 31 during Residence Hall move-in before the start of Welcome Week. Look for additional information soon!

Parents Weekend

September 30-October 2

Parents are invited to campus for a weekend of activities and programs in conjunction with Homecoming. As football returns to the U of M campus, all parents are invited to come and take part in the homecoming festivities and athletic events as well as special parent workshops, gallery and museum visits, and the pleasure of spending time with your student.

Parents Association

Together, the M Parents Association and the University of Minnesota Alumni Association have created a special joint membership offer that provides parents and their student with valuable programs and rewards. As a parent, you will have access to communications and programming designed especially for you. Parents and students receive a subscription to Minnesota, the award-winning Alumni Association magazine that highlights what’s happening at the U. Other rewards include a 10 percent discount at the U Bookstore; special pricing on travel and hotels, including the Radisson and Days Inn on campus; information on special events; and student prize drawings. Registration information is available at www.umn.edu/parent/association.
Finances

One Stop

For answers to all your financial questions, look to One Stop Student Services. For many students, college means managing your personal finances to a greater degree. Financial planning, financial aid, and work opportunities can help you make the most of your time and money. One Stop counselors give you friendly, expert, and individualized service in person, by phone, or online at onestop.umn.edu.

Are you from North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, or Manitoba?

If you are a resident of any of these states or province, you may qualify for reciprocity tuition rates, which are lower than nonresident tuition rates. Obtain an application from your high school guidance counselor or on the website: admissions.tc.umn.edu/costsaid/residency.html

Have you checked your financial aid status online?

There are six steps to receiving financial aid. To find out what step you are on, go to the One Stop home page and log in to the “Financial Aid Status” Quick Link. The six steps are:

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<td>2. If asked, submit additional documents to One Stop</td>
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<td>3. Review paper estimated Financial Aid Award Notice (FAAN)</td>
<td>April–July</td>
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<td>4. Review email asking you to respond to the electronic Financial Aid Award Notice (eFAAN)</td>
<td>late July</td>
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<td>5. Complete entrance counseling and promissory notes for any accepted loans</td>
<td>early August</td>
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<td>6. Receive disbursement of funds in your student account</td>
<td>1 week prior to the semester start date</td>
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Learn more tips to help manage your money

Check out the Money Management section on onestop.umn.edu for great advice on budgeting, spending, credit, avoiding trouble, and how to get help. There’s even a long list of free or cheap things to do around campus.

Making smart decisions about money is one of the most important things you can teach yourself while in college.

Tips From Students Like You

I wish someone had told me....

1. To budget carefully and track my spending regularly.
2. To live within my means. It’s tempting to try and keep up with the campus ‘Joneses’ but certainly not worth going into credit card debt.
3. To keep applying for scholarships throughout each year in college. I didn’t know new scholarships would become available to me.
4. I may not get my top choice job the first semester. Once I gained more job and University experience my opportunities for jobs grew. I also took advantage of all the career services on campus to help with my resume and interview skills.
5. You do not have to go off campus to have fun. Fun activities on campus are very cheap or free in some cases.

Changes in Your Family’s Financial Situation

If your family has a major change in financial status after you file the FAFSA, speak with a One Stop counselor regarding different options. You may qualify to submit a special circumstances appeal.

Will you be receiving a non-University scholarship?

If you are receiving a non-University scholarship, ask the donor to send notification of the award—including the name of the scholarship award and dollar amount—to One Stop Student Services.

Do you want your parents or a guest to be able to help you with financial aid or billing?

Federal and state laws, as well as University Board of Regents policy, protect the privacy of your student record information. If you would like to allow your parents (spouse, guardian, or other third party) to speak with a One Stop counselor regarding registration, financial aid, billing, or grades, please sign up for Parent/Guest Access on the One Stop website.

Veterans Services

University Veterans Services provides a wide range of services to military members, veterans, and their families through the Veterans Certification Office (612-625-8076), assisting with educational benefits, and the Veterans Resource Office (612-625-7620), directing veterans to non-educational benefits, services, and programs for housing, medical needs, employment, family and transition issues.
Are you are planning to live in one of the University’s eight residence halls or three apartment complexes?

If so, make note of these dates to ensure your space.

**Housing Guarantee Deadline:**
**May 2**

May 2 is the last day that you will be guaranteed a University housing space (Housing Application Freshman Guarantee). The sooner you apply, the greater your chances of getting one of your top hall choices. Complete the online application (www.housing.umn.edu) with a $25 nonrefundable housing application fee. If you mail your application, we suggest that you obtain a “certificate of mailing” from the postal service for your records. When you submit your housing application with your application fee, you will receive a letter stating that you are guaranteed University housing.

**Housing Guarantee Payment:**
**$250 due May 15**

You may not receive a housing assignment if payment is not received by this date!

**Your Housing Assignment by July 31**

Details about your assigned residence hall, your roommate’s name and contact information, and information about lofts, refrigerators, and items to bring will be sent by July 31.

**Loft and Bunk Orders by August 12**

Loft and bunk orders must be placed by August 12 for the residence halls. Ordering information will be sent by July 31.

**Move-In August 30-31**

In July you will receive information from Housing & Residential Life (HRL) in the mail with the time and date of your move-in. All other students will move in on September 3.

**Housing Rates**

Tentative housing rates are available at www.housing.umn.edu. Final rates will be available midsummer.

**Changes to Application by May 15**

Changes to your housing application can be made online until May 15 and will not affect the date your contract was received. Changes requested after May 15 are not guaranteed.
Internet Access in Residence Hall Rooms

Watch for a helpful mailing this spring that tells you how to take advantage of the high-speed Internet connection (ResNet) in your residence hall room. For information, visit www.resnet.umn.edu.

Living Learning Communities

Living Learning Communities offer students the opportunity to live with residents who share similar academic interests. Change your application online or contact Housing & Residential Life directly by May 15 if you are interested in this option (based on space available). Please note: Living Learning Communities assignments are based on the guidelines listed in the Housing & Residential Life Contract Booklet (page 5), and space is limited.

Honors Housing (see p. 19)

University Honors Program (UHP) housing in Middlebrook Hall is a place for connecting and community building, featuring cocurricular and extracurricular activities. UHP students are encouraged to live in Middlebrook Hall.

Living Off Campus?

As a commuter, you may want to explore the Commuter Connection Student Group (www.sua.umn.edu/commuter) for events and gatherings for commuter students. They offer a lounge space in 236 Coffman Memorial Union, where you can form study groups, have a locker on campus, store your lunch, study, and meet other students outside of class. Watch for an August mailing containing details on Welcome Week events and how to become involved in the group!

Need Off-Campus Housing?

Housing & Residential Life maintains a Web-based service to assist students who wish to live off campus. See listings of privately owned rental units around campus at www.housing.umn.edu/offcampus. Get tips from fellow commuter students and additional information at the Class of 2015 Web portal at myu.umn.edu.

housing@umn.edu
www.housing.umn.edu
Your college experience at the U continues with Welcome Week!

Starting the week before classes begin, Welcome Week is an on-campus program designed to complement your orientation experience, provide you with opportunities to enhance your academic and personal success, and give you an edge when you start your college education.

During the week you will...

- make friends with others in the Class of 2015 and learn what it means to be a Golden Gopher.
- learn to navigate campus and the diverse Twin Cities community before classes start.
- meet college representatives who can tell you what to expect in your classes and how to succeed academically.
- explore resources that will help you make campus feel like your new home.

By the end of the week you will have all the tools you need to start your first semester and make the University of Minnesota your own.

Prepare for Welcome Week

There are a number of steps you can take to prepare for Welcome Week:

**After you confirm your enrollment to the U of M:**

- Mark your calendar for August 31 - September 5, 2011.
- Plan family vacations, work schedules, and housing leases (if living off-campus) early so you will be able to start Welcome Week on August 31.

**July and August:**

- Complete the Welcome Week Event Selection in mid-July. You will receive an email to your U of M account encouraging you to select your preferences for many events. You can make adjustments to your selections until, mid-August. After then your selections will be locked and no changes can be made.
- Living on-campus? Look for your housing assignment at the beginning of August to find your assigned move-in date and time.
- Living off-campus? Plan your transit to campus (bus, walk, bike, drive) and ensure you will be able to move-in prior to August 31. Look for a mailing at the end of August for more Commuter specific information.

**August 30 & August 31:**

- Check in for Welcome Week to receive your materials and freebies!
- Take advantage of your time to get settled before Welcome Week begins. You will be busy with activities beginning the evening of August 31.
- Have a great time learning about campus and meeting new people!

**Why am I required to attend Orientation and Welcome Week?**

Many students often wonder why they are required to attend the Orientation and Welcome Week programs. Extensive research shows that students who participate in transitional programs like Orientation and Welcome Week are more successful during their first year of college. Orientation and Welcome Week provide students with the opportunity to meet people, become familiar with their new surroundings, and learn about the academic and social norms of the University before classes even start.
Wednesday, August 31: Move In and Get Settled

**Move in:** Welcome Week Leaders & Community Advisors will greet you and help you move into your residence hall room.

**Commuter Student Check in and Commuter Kickoff**

Meet your small group members!

**Target Run:** Spend a late night shopping at Target and participate in U of M trivia and karaoke.

Thursday, September 1: New Student Convocation & College Day

**New Student Convocation:** The official welcome to the Class of 2015. This program includes a welcome from President Kaler, faculty members, and current students.

**College Activities:** Explore what it means to be a member of your college of enrollment. You will learn academic expectations, meet advisers and faculty members, form study groups, meet students with whom you may share classes, and learn what your college has to offer you.

**Pride & Spirit:** Join your class in learning University of Minnesota traditions and cheers so you can show your Gopher spirit at future sporting events.

**Fun Zone:** Come with your friends and enjoy this high-energy event with inflatables, lawn games, dance lessons, and food!

Friday, September 2: University Day

**Learn to navigate the full Twin Cities campus:** East Bank, West Bank, and St. Paul

**It is all about respect and responsibility:** Attend a variety of sessions, depending on your interest: health and wellness, money management, study skills, safety resources and tips, and building relationships.

**Keynote Speaker:** Jermaine Davis, a local communications professor, will share his own life challenges and offer advice on how to stay motivated, succeed academically, and achieve your full potential.

**Gophers After Dark Kickoff:** Join in a U of M tradition and participate in evening entertainment at Coffman Union!

Saturday, September 3: Community & Engagement Day

**Service and Engagement Experience:** Participate in an experience that will connect a local community organization or social issue to your university experience.

**Explore-U:** Attend the Student Organization Fair and find a group with which to get involved, then stop by the Business Fair and enjoy free samples, giveaways, and coupons.

**Mall of America:** Take a late night trip to the Mall of America and check out Nickelodeon Universe, Sea Life Minnesota, and Moose Mountain Golf.

Sunday, September 4: Community & Engagement Day

**Community Exploration:** Participate in a Community Exploration trip to explore points of interest in the Twin Cities.

Attend House Meeting if living in a residence hall.

Participate in evening entertainment.

Monday, September 5: Prepare for Classes

**Take the day to relax and prepare for classes.**

**Participate in optional activities around campus:** walk your route to class, check out a coffee shop, or ride a bike around campus.
Resources for Your First-Year

This resource section provides you with an overview of important opportunities and resources available to support and enhance your first-year experience. Taking initiative to access these resources is an integral part to a successful transition into University life. Additionally, interactions and opportunities will assist you with the achievement of the Student Learning and Development Outcomes, a successful undergraduate experience, and a timely graduation. We will invest in you! Take advantage of all the U has to support you.

Discover Your Strengths at the U of M!

The University of Minnesota has created a unique opportunity for you to focus on your individual talents to create a personalized educational experience leading towards personal and academic success. We are one of the few institutions across the country inviting all new freshmen to discover their strengths by taking the StrengthsFinder assessment! Instructions for how to take the assessment will be sent to you in an email following New Student Orientation or in early August prior to orientation date for International students. The strengths-based approach lend itself well to acheiving the Student Learning and Development outcomes.

The University of Minnesota is investing in you! Watch for your U of M email after New Student Orientation!

Student Learning Outcomes/Student Development Outcomes

At the University of Minnesota, we recognize that an undergraduate education is made up of a wide variety of experiences both in and out of the classroom. To encourage your learning and development, the University has developed two sets of outcomes- one in the area of student learning and one in the area of student development. Along with the University’s liberal education curriculum, these outcomes will help shape your undergraduate experience.

Student Learning Outcomes

The University’s student learning outcomes define what you will be able to do when you have completed any undergraduate degree, regardless of major.

At the time of receiving a bachelor’s degree, you:
- Can identify, define and solve problems
- Can located and critically evaluate information
- Have mastered a body of knowledge and a mode of inquiry
- Understand diverse philosophies and cultures within and across societies
- Can communicate effectively
- Understand the role of creativity, innovation, discovery, and expression across disciplines
- Have acquired skills for effective citizenship and life-long learning
Student Development Outcomes

The University’s student development outcomes describe what characteristics you will possess upon graduation from the University of Minnesota.

University of Minnesota students will demonstrate:
- Responsibility and Accountability
- Independence and Interdependence
- Goal Orientation
- Self Awareness
- Resilience
- Appreciation of Differences
- Tolerance of Ambiguity

These outcomes reinforce the principle that learning takes place throughout your University experience- both in and out of the classroom. As a U of M student, you can expect that faculty and staff will integrate these outcomes into the design of Orientation and Welcome Week, academic courses, undergraduate research, internships, learning abroad experiences, on-campus employment, and leadership opportunities.

What’s your responsibility?
- Start at the U of M as a freshman
- Place into courses appropriate for your major
- Take freshman composition during your first academic year
- Discuss and sign an agreement with your adviser at Orientation
- Work with your adviser to set up an academic plan each year
- Register on your assigned registration date
- If you have problems registering, let your adviser know immediately
- Remain in good standing with your college and department

The deadline to apply for the Four-Year Graduation Plan is the first day of fall semester — September 6, 2011. Talk to your adviser at Orientation.

academic.umn.edu/fouryear
First-Year Programs

While New Student Orientation and Welcome Week are required of all new students, the following programs are made available for you to take advantage of on your own. Utilize these to make connections and get information throughout your first year.

MyU for the Class of 2015

MyU is the official University of Minnesota Web portal and is your cyber link to the University’s online community! MyU is personalized just for you. Information you have provided to the U, such as your college affiliation, helps the system display information that makes sense to you. Additionally, MyU gives you the power to make choices for yourself. As a result, no two portal views are exactly alike. Your view is designed to meet your specific needs.

Start by visiting myu.umn.edu, and sign in using your U of M Internet ID and password. MyU will provide you with the most current information about student activities, academic opportunities, U of M events, discussion boards, online tools and resources, and so much more!

Multicultural Kickoff
August 30-31

This two-day program will help you get the inside scoop on the U, learn about faculty expectations in the classroom, build relationships with multicultural students, staff, and faculty, and develop new friendships, and make valuable multicultural connections that can support your educational goals.

First-Year Photo Project

This summer first-year students can apply to be a part of this program. A small group of students are selected to document their personal transitions to the U of M through guided photography and journal entries that reflect their personal identity, future dreams, uncertainties, and what the U of M means to them. In the spring semester their work is shown in a campus gallery exhibit, which all students are invited to attend.

www.ofyp.umn.edu/photoproject

Freshman Seminars

When you register for classes, consider taking a freshman seminar, which are offered both fall and spring semesters. These seminars are small classes taught by some of our outstanding faculty members. Designed for first-year students, they are a great way to interact with a faculty member, meet other new students, and explore a new topic such as:

• The State of the World 2011
• Living, Working, and Dying in Chicago: Understanding the Industrial City
• Cloning, Politics, and Religion

When you come to Orientation, your adviser can help you choose a freshman seminar for fall semester.

www.ofyp.umn.edu/freshsem
Kick It!

Kick off the first month of each semester by navigating campus resources, offices and attending events highlighted by Kick It!, and you will be entered into raffle drawings to win prizes. Prizes typically include gift certificates, iPods, and other great giveaways! Stay tuned to the Class of 2015 Web portal for more information.

www.ofyp.umn.edu/kickit

Class of 2015 eNewsletter

The Freshman Newsletter is a monthly e-newsletter sent to the freshman class throughout the academic year. The newsletter content includes items pertinent to the success and well-being of first-year students. Content addresses developmental needs and time-sensitive materials relevant to a seamless transition to the University of Minnesota.
We know that academic expectations are extremely high for our students and you may find the academic rigor of the University challenging. These resources are available for you to take advantage of in order to meet your academic goals.

**Graduation Planner**

Graduation Planner is an interactive planning tool for University of Minnesota students on all campuses. Use Graduation Planner to:

- Explore the requirements for majors and minors
- Discover what courses you need to take, and when you should take them
- Make a plan that will help you stay on track for graduation

Your adviser will be able to review and comment on the plans you create. Be sure to work with your adviser as you plan for your degree.

**University of Minnesota Libraries**

Academic research is a big part of your coursework. Our 14+ libraries provide you with the study spaces, research tools and help you need to succeed. Our website gives you 24/7 access to thousands of high-quality online scholarly journals, books, course readings and more.

**SMART Learning Commons offers free:**

- Walk-in tutoring for over 130 undergraduate courses
- Support and use of media production software, equipment, and facilities
- Films available for checkout
- Help writing research papers
- Group learning sessions for select courses
- Exam preparation resources

Visit [smart.umn.edu](http://smart.umn.edu) or call 612-624-2125 for detailed information.

**Center for Writing**

The Center for Writing seeks to enhance student learning, to improve writing instruction, and to deepen understanding of literacy and the writing process. Through collaborative consultations, the Center supports all University of Minnesota students, faculty, and staff engaged in the practice, teaching, and study of writing.

**Center for Academic Planning & Exploration (CAPE)**

Most first year students are not set on what they will major in during their college career. The Center for Academic Planning & Exploration provides individual coaching, workshops and an online course to help students through the major and career exploration process.
University Honors Program (UHP)

The UHP Mission is to guide students from across the University as they develop into broad, creative, independent, and informed thinkers. Honors students are part of a stimulating and supportive community of like-minded peers with diverse backgrounds and interests. Honors features a curriculum of honors foundational courses and seminars combined with student engagement in honors experiences including research, creative expression, internships, study abroad, community service, and more. Honors students work closely with UHP advisers in selecting their course(s) of study and other honors experiences, planning for graduation with Latin Honors, and preparing for life beyond college.

UHP housing in Middlebrook Hall is a great place for connecting and community building. Curricular support, including tutoring services Monday through Thursday evenings, and co-curricular programming, extend the Honors learning experience to the Honors residential community.

If you have been admitted to UHP, be sure to register for an Orientation date reserved for Honors students.

honors.umn.edu

Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence (MCAE)

Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence provides to enhance the academic, personal, and cultural experiences of multicultural students. MCAE provides culturally sensitive advice and programs to individuals and groups on academic, financial, personal, and career concerns.

www.mcae.umn.edu

Disability Services (DS)

The Disability Services office is committed to making the University accessible and inviting for students, faculty, staff, and guests with disabilities. If you have a disability that requires an accommodation, you will need to register with Disability Services. Students are encouraged to contact DS as early as possible to discuss reasonable accommodations. A disability specialist will assist you with disability-related concerns that affect learning and student life. The primary responsibility of the disability specialist is to determine your eligibility for services and to facilitate the process of identifying appropriate and reasonable accommodations. Please contact Disability Services at 612-626-1333 (v/tty) if you have additional questions or wish to register for services. To make accommodations for Orientation, see page 6.

ds.umn.edu

University Counseling & Consulting Services (UCCS)

Check out UCCS for help with choosing a major, learning better study skills, or resolving personal conflict. Students can also access individual and group counseling, career and personality testing, and crisis counseling.

www.uccs.umn.edu

Office for Student Conduct and Academic Integrity

This office responds to inquiries about student conduct that poses concern for members of the University community and may constitute a violation of the Student Conduct Code.

www.umn.edu/oscai
Do you need a computer or software?

After you attend Orientation and register for classes, you will be able to:

• Purchase a U of M certified laptop bundle
• Receive discounts on computers, cell phones, software, and high-speed Internet access and telephone service
• Purchase low-cost Microsoft software, including Office and Windows operating system upgrades
• Receive free Symantec AntiVirus software
• Download Secunia Personal Software Inspector
• Learn more at www.oit.umn.edu/umart and www.oit.umn.edu/utools.

The M Tech Store

The University of Minnesota Bookstore at Coffman Memorial Union is home to the M Tech Store where students can learn about the many technology options available to them—most with special educational discounts. The M Tech Store is an Apple Authorized Campus Store and Service Center offering the complete Apple product line, as well as U of M certified Dell laptops, Adobe student licenses and many popular software packages, peripherals, cables and accessories. Visit the M Tech Store to test drive the latest technology and have your questions answered by our trained and certified team. Visit M Tech in store or online at www.mtech.umn.edu to learn more about the technology you need to succeed on campus and to save money with the many University discounts available to you.

Student Tools and Resources

As an undergraduate student you will have access to:

• Wireless campus network
• Public student labs and communications kiosks
• High-speed Ethernet residence hall network (ResNet) application
• NetFiles — a storage application with collaboration and sharing features
• UMChat — an open, secure, ad-free alternative to consumer instant message applications
• UMCal — a University-wide personal calendar management and scheduling system
• Learn more about these and other great options at www.oit.umn.edu/students.

Safe Computing

An essential and required part of maintaining your computer’s connection to the University’s network is to keep it virus free. To get a head start on safe computing before you move to campus, follow the steps provided in Secure a Personal Machine. Visit www.oit.umn.edu/safe-computing often for the latest news and tips about safe computing.

Forgot your Internet password? Visit www.umn.edu/myaccount or call 612-301-4357.

Need technical help? Go to www.oit.umn.edu/students or call 612-301-4357.
You will find that you have a greater sense of independence at college and it can be overwhelming at times. While you will be responsible for your own decisions and actions, you are not alone. The resources listed below are available to support you in learning to manage your independence.

**Complete Your Immunization Form**

All students are required to submit a Student Immunization Form the first time they register for one or more credits. To submit your form online visit [www.bhs.umn.edu/immunization-requirements.htm](http://www.bhs.umn.edu/immunization-requirements.htm).

**Make Sure You Have Health Insurance**

All students are required to have health plan coverage. If you’re covered by your own or a parent’s health plan, bring that information to Orientation. You’ll need to enter it as part of online class registration. Students who do not enter health plan information at the time of class registration will be automatically enrolled in the University-sponsored Student Health Benefit Plan. To learn more about the University plan, visit [www.shb.umn.edu](http://www.shb.umn.edu) or contact the Office of Student Health Benefits at umshbo@umn.edu or 612-624-0627.

**Check out Boynton Health Service**

As a member of the University of Minnesota community, you have access to one of the highest quality health services in the nation. For over 90 years Boynton Health Service has taken pride in meeting the health care needs of students, staff, and faculty with compassion and professionalism. Boynton’s clinics and services include: eye clinic, dental clinic, pharmacy, massage therapy, primary care, women’s clinic, mental health clinic, physical therapy, nutrition services, health education, lab, x-ray, and more. Students who pay the Student Services Fee and have health plan coverage (e.g., a parent’s plan, the University-sponsored plan) receive most services at Boynton at no out-of-pocket cost after the bill has been processed by their health plan. [www.bhs.umn.edu](http://www.bhs.umn.edu)

Information: 612-625-8400
Appointments: 612-625-3222
Located behind Coffman Union

**Student Mental Health Website**

A web resource for students, their parents, faculty, and staff who wish to learn more about mental health and related resources at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. [www.mentalhealth.umn.edu](http://www.mentalhealth.umn.edu)

**Aurora Center for Advocacy & Education**

Provides free and confidential services with a 24-hour help line (612) 626-9111 and weekday walk-in hours that include information, emotional support, referrals, and advocacy for survivors of sexual assault, relationship violence, and stalking. The Aurora Center also provides prevention education for the campus community. [www.umn.edu/aurora](http://www.umn.edu/aurora)

**University of Minnesota Police Department (UMPD)**

The UMPD is a professional police department, dedicated to protecting the people and property of the University of Minnesota. The UMPD works to provide a safe environment for the students, staff, faculty and visitors.

Website: [www.umn.edu/police/](http://www.umn.edu/police/)
Phone: 612-624-COPS

**Student Conflict Resolution Center**

SCRC provides a full range of services to students with campus-based complaints or concerns. Helps students resolve problems or conflicts informally. [www.sos.umn.edu](http://www.sos.umn.edu)
Meeting new people tends to be one of the main anxieties new students experience as they start college. Stay in touch with those you meet at New Student Orientation and Welcome Week, and meet new people through the programs listed below.

**Student Employment**

Working on campus is one of the best ways to connect to campus, to help with tuition costs, and to meet other people! Once you register for classes at Orientation, you can search and apply for student positions—on campus and off campus, work study and non-work study—at the U of M Employment System.

[www.umn.edu/ohr/studentemployment](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/studentemployment)

**Career Services at the University of Minnesota**

Take advantage of the many career exploration opportunities, events, and resources available to you early and often during your college career.

[career.umn.edu](http://career.umn.edu)

**Student Unions & Activities**

Attend events and explore your interests with Student Unions & Activities. Check out our website to see the campus-wide events calendar and search the over 700 different student groups on campus. Join an organization or start your own!

[www.sua.umn.edu](http://www.sua.umn.edu)

**Engage! Do What Matters**

The Engage! search helps University of Minnesota undergraduates connect with meaningful experiences outside of the classroom. Use this search to discover opportunities that will help you pursue your interests and aspirations, and complement your academic experiences. The search is also available to prospective students, graduate students, and members of the public who are interested in learning about engagement opportunities across the University of Minnesota system.

[engage.umn.edu](http://engage.umn.edu)

**Recreational Sports**

Offers programs and facilities for the entire University community featuring open recreation, intramurals, aquatics, fitness programs, sport clubs, and additional programs on both campuses.

[www.recsports.umn.edu](http://www.recsports.umn.edu)

**Homecoming 2011: October 15 - 22**

Since 1914, the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, has celebrated Homecoming, a week dedicated to honoring the spirit of the maroon and gold. This celebration brings the campus community together with events such as a campus-wide scavenger hunt, cheer and lip sync competitions, sports competitions, community service events, pep rallies, concert, and of course the Homecoming parade and football game.

[www.homecoming.umn.edu](http://www.homecoming.umn.edu)
Office for Fraternity and Sorority Life

Fraternities and sororities provide opportunities for the development of academic abilities, civic involvement, leadership skills and lifelong friendships. Through the Office for Fraternity and Sorority Life, the University provides assistance to students and parents with questions about fraternities and sororities at the University.

www.umn.edu/fsl

Learning Abroad Center

When you meet with your adviser, consider planning to study abroad. Many students say that it was one of the most memorable experiences of their time at the U. You can earn general liberal education requirement credits or major credits abroad, so an international experience doesn’t have to delay your graduation date. There are scholarships specifically created for study abroad, and financial aid will follow you if you are earning credit. Go abroad; you will not regret it.

www.UMabroad.umn.edu

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Ally (GLBTA) Programs Office

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Ally (GLBTA) Programs Office is dedicated to improving the campus climate for all University of Minnesota students, staff, faculty, alumni, and visitors by developing and supporting more inclusive understandings of gender and sexuality. The GLBTA Programs Office seeks to bridge and build communities that create affirming and welcoming environments in which people can be their whole selves and which honor all identities and experiences.

www.glbta.umn.edu

The Women’s Center

The Women’s Center advances equity for women students, staff, and faculty across identities. Gain more out of your University experience by participating in our leadership programs, joining our blog, or tapping into our resources. Our bi-weekly e-newsletter announces events, programs, scholarships, jobs, and more.

www.umn.edu/women

Student Parent HELP Center

The HELP Center, open to all undergraduate students with children, provides services that encourage and support student-parent success at the U of M. Services offered include various child care assistance grants, as well as a weekly parent group held in Appleby Hall Room 24, Wednesdays, noon to 2 p.m. To schedule an intake appointment please call 612-626-6015 or walk in any weekday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

www.sphc.umn.edu
Parking and Transportation Services (PTS)

PTS offers one-stop shopping for all your campus transportation needs.

Visit: 300 Transportation and Safety Building
511 Washington Avenue S.E.

Check PTS online for great student employment opportunities.

www.pts.umn.edu
YOUR KEY CONTACTS
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Academic Center for Student Athletes
612-625-6888
www.gopheracademics.com

Admissions, Office of
612-625-2008 or
1-800-752-1000
admissions.tc.umn.edu

Alumni Association, U of M
612-624-2323 or
1-800-862-5867
www.minnesotalumni.org

Aurora Center for Advocacy and Education (page 21)
612-626-2929
612-626-9111 (help line 24 hours a day)
www.umn.edu/aurora

Biological Sciences, College of (CBS)
612-624-9717
www.cbs.umn.edu
newincbs@umn.edu

Bookstores, U of M
www.bookstores.umn.edu

Boynton Health Service (page 21)
612-625-8400
www.bhs.umn.edu

Career Initiatives, Central (page 22)
www.career.umn.edu

Carlson School of Management (CSOM)
612-624-3313
www.carlsonschool.umn.edu

Center for Academic Planning and Exploration (page 18)
612-624-3076
www.cape.umn.edu

Center for Writing (page 18)
612-626-7579
writing.umn.edu
writing@umn.edu

Community Service Learning Center
612-626-2044
www.servicelearning.umn.edu

Computer and Technology Information Office of Information Technology (page 20)
612-301-4357
www.oit.umn.edu/help-support

Design, College of (CDes)
612-626-9068
design.umn.edu/welcomenewstudents
cdesinfo@umn.edu

Disability Services (page 19)
612-626-1333 (v/tty)
ds.umn.edu

Education and Human Development, College of (CEHD)
612-625-3339
apps.cehd.umn.edu/students/checklist
cehdnew@umn.edu

Email, U of M (page 1)
mail.umn.edu

Equity and Diversity (OED), Office for
612-624-0594
www.academic.umn.edu/equity

Events Calendar
events.tc.umn.edu

Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, College of (CFANS)
612-624-6768
z.umn.edu/cfansorientation

Fraternity and Sorority Life, Office for (page 23)
www.umn.edu/fsl

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Ally (GLBTA) Programs Office (page 23)
612-625-0537
www.glbta.umn.edu

Gopher Athletics Ticket Information
1-800-U-GOPHER
612-624-8080
www.gophersports.com

Housing & Residential Life (page 10)
612-624-2994
www.housing.umn.edu

International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS)
612-626-7100
www.issss.umn.edu

Leadership Education & Development
leadup.umn.edu

Learning Abroad Center (page 23)
612-626-9000
www.umabroad.umn.edu
YOUR KEY CONTACTS
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Liberal Arts, College of (CLA)
612-625-2020
iamnew.class.umn.edu
class@umn.edu

Libraries, U of M
www.lib.umn.edu

Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence (MCAE) (page 19)
612-624-6386
www.mcae.umn.edu

MyU Web Portal (page 16)
myu.umn.edu

One Stop Student Services (page 8)
enrollment, billing, financial aid
612-624-1111 or
1-800-400-8636
www.onestop.umn.edu

Orientation & First-Year Programs (OFYP)
612-624-1979 or
1-800-234-1979
www.ofyp.umn.edu

Parent Program (page 7)
612-626-9291
www.parent.umn.edu
parent@umn.edu

Parking and Transportation Services (page 24)
612-626-PARK (7275)
www.pts.umn.edu

Police Department, U of M (page 21)
612-624-COPS
www1.umn.edu/police

Recreational Sports (page 22)
612-625-6800
www.recsports.umn.edu

Science and Engineering, College of
612-624-2890
www.cse.umn.edu
cseadvising@umn.edu

SMART Learning Commons (page 18)
smart.umn.edu

Student Affairs, Office for
612-626-1242
www.osa.umn.edu

Student and Community Relations
www.scr.umn.edu

Student Conduct and Academic Integrity, Office for (page 19)
www.umn.edu/oscai

Student Conflict Resolution Center (page 21)
www.sos.umn.edu

Student Employment (page 22)
612-625-2000
www.umn.edu/ohr/studentemployment

Student/Parent HELP Center (page 23)
612-624-INFO
www.sphc.umn.edu
sphc@umn.edu

Student Unions & Activities (page 22)
612-624-INFO
www.sua.umn.edu

U Card Office (page 3)
612-626-9900
www.umn.edu/ucard

Undergraduate Research
www.urop.umn.edu

University Counseling & Consulting Services (UCCS) (page 19)
612-624-3323
www.uccs.umn.edu

University Honors Program (UHP) (page 18-19)
612-624-5522
www.honors.umn.edu

University Student Legal Service
www.umn.edu/usls

Veterans Services (page 9)
612-625-8076
onestop.umn.edu/veterans
veterans@umn.edu

Women’s Center (page 23)
612-625-9837
www.umn.edu/women
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<td>31–31</td>
<td>Residence Hall students move-in (freshmen only)</td>
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<td>Transportation Fair - Coffman Union</td>
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<td>Deadline to enroll in or waive the Student Health Benefit Plan</td>
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#### Timely Reminders

- Send transcripts of any completed college level work and scores on AP exams to the Office of Admissions
- Commuter students: plan for parking and transportation
- Begin checking your U of M email and MyU account regularly
- Complete college checklist
- Parents: Register for Parent Orientation
- Out-of-state residents: Be sure to apply for tuition discounts
- Complete the Class Selection Tutorial before Orientation
- Enter Parking Contract lottery
- Financial aid applicants: Award notices sent to your University email account
- Check 2011-12 tuition costs
- Look for jobs on campus
- Residence Hall students: receive hall and roommate assignments by end of July
- Purchase your books at the University of Minnesota Bookstores
- Purchase your U-Pass in early August
- Student Health Plan coverage begins
- Check out Kick It! and win prizes
- Financial Aid disbursed
- Tuition bills sent to your U of M email account
- Boynton’s on-campus flu clinics start
The Orientation & First-Year Programs office will help as you prepare for college. Contact the office with any questions about University resources and college life during your first year at the University.

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