How to Register

Once your student selects an Orientation date, you can sign up for Parent Orientation at www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparent. You are not automatically registered for Parent Orientation when your student selects a date. Use the link above to register. We encourage students and parents to attend on the same day. You are welcome to come on another date if you cannot come on the same day as your student.

Cost of Attendance

Parent Orientation costs $35 per person and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, refreshments, a full day of workshops, and printed materials.

A discount rate of $25 per person is available for those who register in advance.

Fee Waiver

A fee waiver is available for eligible families. Request a fee waiver by contacting Orientation & First-Year Programs at 612-624-1979.

As a parent or family member, you play a vital role in your student’s transition to college life. That is why we want parents and family members to attend Parent Orientation. You will learn about the business of interacting with the University and its many resources. In addition, you will become aware of the transitional issues students experience during their first year at the U of M and some strategies for supporting them through this transition. Even if you’re familiar with the U of M campus, Parent Orientation offers relevant and timely information on: financial assistance, tuition expenses (including how the tuition bill can be paid), health insurance, safety on campus, academic expectations, academic advising, registration, and University resources. Parent Orientation runs concurrent with New Student Orientation. Parent Orientation is a one-day program, with optional sessions on Day 2. An optional evening program is available, see next page for more details.

For the program schedule, visit www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparent.
SATURDAY PROGRAM AVAILABLE!

If you are unable to attend a weekday program with your student, we encourage you to attend our Saturday, June 20 program for parents only.

OPTIONAL EVENING PROGRAM

After a busy and exciting day at Parent Orientation, enjoy a casual dinner overlooking downtown Minneapolis, followed by 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 $35 per person. Advanced registration is required and space is limited.

Register online at www.ofyp.umn.edu/fyparent.

Please note, there is no evening program on Saturday, June 20 or in August.

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.
On Campus

JUNE 9 – JULY 17, AUGUST 27 OR 28:
On-campus lodging is available at Yudof Hall, across the street from Coffman Union in June/July and in 17th Avenue Hall in August. The rate for a single room is $43, or $66 for a double room per room, per night including tax. 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: 
z.umn.edu/parenthousing

AUGUST 31:
There is no on-campus overnight option.

Hotels

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

DAYS HOTEL ON UNIVERSITY (EAST BANK)
www.daysinn.com/hotel/08225
1-800-375-3990 or 612-623-3999

COURTYARD MINNEAPOLIS DOWNTOWN (WEST BANK)
www.courtyard.com/mspdc
612-333-4646
Get University of Minnesota discount using promotion code “UoN”

THE COMMONS HOTEL (EAST BANK)
www.commonshotel.com
1-800-822-6757 or 612-379-8888
Get University of Minnesota Orientation discount at The Commons by using promotion code “UorientationX”
Once school begins, here are some great ways for parents and families to stay connected with the University:

**Parents Association**

The Minnesota Parents Association and the University of Minnesota Alumni Association have created a dual 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.

Membership also includes a 10 percent discount at the University Bookstore; special pricing on travel and hotels, including The Commons Hotel on campus; information on special events; and student prize drawings. Registration information is available at [www.umn.edu/parent/association](http://www.umn.edu/parent/association). Stop by their table at the Resource Fair during Orientation.