New Student Orientation and Enrollment

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Orientation and Enrollment

New Student Orientation & Enrollment is a required program for all incoming freshman and transfer students. Developed to assist in the transition to Oklahoma State University, the program introduces campus resources, offices and information while familiarizing new students with the campus and Stillwater communities.

During orientation & enrollment students:

- Work with academic advisers to learn about degree program choices and discover initial tools for success at OSU.
- Enroll in classes.
- Prepare for academic transition from high school or another institution to OSU.
- Learn about life outside of the classroom and what is expected of OSU students.
- Define potential majors, careers, minors, and secondary areas of study.
- Work with an Orientation Leader and mentor who provides information from a student perspective.

New Freshmen

For freshman attending the fall semester, orientation & enrollment occurs during the months of May, June and July. The standard summer orientation is an overnight session where students meet with academic advisers in multiple settings and have time to consider course options prior to enrollment. In addition, we offer an overnight session and Camp Cowboy program. Students will go through the enrollment process then attend a Camp Cowboy program the following weekend. An alternate one day option is available for students who have attended multiple academic campus events, are certain of their degree choice and can make decisions quickly. For those attending the spring semester, orientation and enrollment occurs in December and January.

International Students

International students will work closely with the Office of New Student Orientation & Enrollment and the Office of International Students and Scholars throughout the enrollment process. There are two options for international students. For students attending in the fall, enrollment occurs in August and for those attending in the spring, enrollment is in January. Enrollment dates for international students include immigration paperwork and documentation, immunization records and enrollment.

Transfer Students

Transfer students have several options for enrollment. For transfers attending in the fall, enrollment occurs in April, May, June, and July and for those attending the spring, enrollment is November and December. Enrollment dates for transfer students are based on the number of hours completed and posted to transcript(s) prior to any current course enrollment.

Pride in OSU is a huge part of being a student and campus traditions are what connect you to the campus and to students and alumni across the world. Your transition to OSU includes two additional parts.

Camp Cowboy

Camp Cowboy is a fun experience, filled with connections to other new students and OSU student leaders. Participants engage in team-building activities, small-group discussions, meet OSU athletes and coaches at the spirit session, participate in recreational activities such as swimming and volleyball, and enjoy campfires while learning personal strengths. For students who can only travel to Stillwater once in the summer, most Camp Cowboy weekends are incorporated into New Student Orientation and Enrollment programs. Visit campcowboy.okstate.edu (http://campcowboy.okstate.edu) for more information.

Welcome Week

The Office of New Student Orientation, working in collaboration with numerous campus departments and volunteers, brings you Welcome Week, a week of programs designed to help students transition to OSU before classes begin. Students connect with other students, faculty and staff as well as learn the OSU traditions, expectations and resources available. Welcome Week includes, but is not limited to President’s Convocation, Class Photo, Traditions Night and social activities. Visit welcomeweek.okstate.edu (http://welcomeweek.okstate.edu) for more information.

Banner

Banner provides online access which allows students to view and update their academic and personal information in a self-service system. The majority of Banner use comes during descriptions, search open sections of specific courses, and drop and add classes from their schedule.

Banner also connects students to their class schedule, grades and unofficial academic transcript, Desire2Learn online classroom, personal information housed on the system, official academic transcript requests, Student Rights and Responsibilities document, official OKSTATE e-mail account, Bursar account, financial aid connections and credit card payment options.

Orange Key Account (O-KEY)

Every OSU student creates a personal O-Key account they will use to choose an okstate.edu e-mail account and access campus network and computing resources. It is very important to access and set up the O-Key account after applying for admission. To activate visit okey.okstate.edu (http://okey.okstate.edu).

ID Services

The OSU ID card is the official identification card for Oklahoma State University. It is used for photo identification, access to campus buildings
and facilities, charges to the OSU Bursar, and tickets to a variety of campus events and services. OSU IDs will be made during the New Student Orientation and Enrollment program. For ID replacement or other questions, ID Services is located in 421 Classroom Building.

**Placement Exams**
Assessment and Testing can save both money and time by allowing students to test out or receive credit for courses in which they already know the material or for placement in a course level. Residual ACT and SAT, CLEP and Placement credit exams are administered by University Testing and Evaluation Services, located on the corner of Walnut St. and Admiral Ave. Exams are given by appointment. Visit uat.okstate.edu (http://uat.okstate.edu) or call 405-744-5958 to set up an appointment.

**Math Placement**
All incoming OSU students must complete the OSU Math Placement Exam before enrollment in any college-level mathematics course. The OSU Math Placement exam is an online instrument. For testing instructions and additional information, visit m (http://uat.okstate.edu/placeMathexam)athplacement.okstate.edu (http://mathplacement.okstate.edu) or contact the Office of New Student Orientation & Enrollment at 405-744-3636.

**Foreign Language Placement**
Students who wish to continue in a foreign language for which they have taken two or more years in high school may take a free placement test through the Office of Foreign Languages and Literature. This exam identifies the best college-level starting point. If the student completes the identified course with a minimum grade of "B," additional credits may be awarded for up to six hours in the language. Contact the Arts and Sciences Student Success Center at 405-744-5658 for additional information.

**Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate**
Students requesting college credit through Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs should have test scores sent directly to OSU Undergraduate Admissions from the testing agency in order to apply credits earned to their program of study.