



NEW Spartan Checklist

YOUR STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO BECOMING A SPARTAN

Here are some of the big items you'll need to check off for a smooth transition to MSU (but there's still more to know). **Keep checking your MSU email** this summer for updates and reminders. You've got this, and we're here to help every step of the way.

○ Activate your MSU NetID and email

Deadline: ASAP

Set up with your student ID number and Personal Access Number (PAN).

○ Pay acceptance fee

Deadline: June 1

Accept your offer of admission and pay the acceptance fee.

○ Get oriented

Complete between May 1–June 5

ADMISSION WILL BE CANCELED IF NOT COMPLETED.

Log in to the D2L online learning platform and finish your New Student Orientation modules, covering campus resources and what to expect as a Spartan.

○ Secure your housing

Deadline: May 5

Transfer students are not required to live on campus for the 2026-27 academic year — however, if you would like to, the housing request form will be available in My Housing in April. We will provide housing as space allows.

See off-campus housing options: offcampushousing.msu.edu

○ Attend an admitted transfer student program

March–May

Learn more about admissions next steps, New Student Orientation and exciting opportunities as you prepare to transfer to MSU.

○ Submit all official transcripts

Deadline: May 31

- Scholarship consideration happens during application review, but the Associate Achievement Award requires official proof that your degree is complete.
- Your transfer credits will be evaluated before your Orientation advising appointment.
- If applicable, your official transcript must include the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) stamp.

○ Meet with your academic advisor

June 1–July 17
REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR YOUR CLASSES

Your advisor will schedule a meeting with you within this timeframe.

○ Finalize financial aid

Deadline: July 20

- Log in to student.msu.edu and accept your aid package.
- Contact the Office of Financial Aid with any questions.

○ Submit official documents

Deadline: July 31

- Submit any additional transcripts, including summer work.
- Take MSU math placement exam.
- Submit a photo for your MSU student ID.

○ Make a transportation plan

Week of Aug. 24

- Learn more about parking permits and having a car, bike or moped on campus.
- Look into the CATA campus bus system — free for all students during fall and spring semesters.

○ Fall Welcome starts!

Aug. 26–Sept. 8

In this exciting week of events, you'll settle into Spartan life, connect with fellow students and discover all the amazing ways to get involved on campus.

