

WELCOME TO
VIRTUAL SOAR



Welcome to Virtual SOAR

Presenter:
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Orientation Leaders will be
moderating the chat to answer
your questions!



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What We Will be Talking about Today

- Our commitment to you – a COVID-19 responsible campus
- Academics and fall semester schedule
- Getting involved on campus
- Living and dining on campus
- Health and wellness
- Financial aid and paying your bill
- Getting the most out of your Virtual SOAR experience

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Our Commitment to You – a COVID-19 Responsible Campus

- Move-in procedures
- Athletic events
- Eating in the dining halls
- University-wide cleaning protocols
- Task forces will complete recommendations/procedures by June 30, 2020

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Life Design

Empowering each student to design their college experience to be life-ready upon graduation

Student Success Framework

- Academics and Career
- Connections
- Health and Wellness
- Purpose and Passion

Join us for our webinars to learn more on August 5, 6, and 7!

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BGSU's Academic Community

You're a vital part of this community

- Start where you are!
- Colleges and majors
- Academic resources
 - Canvas – learning management system
 - Navigate – mobile app to help craft educational journey

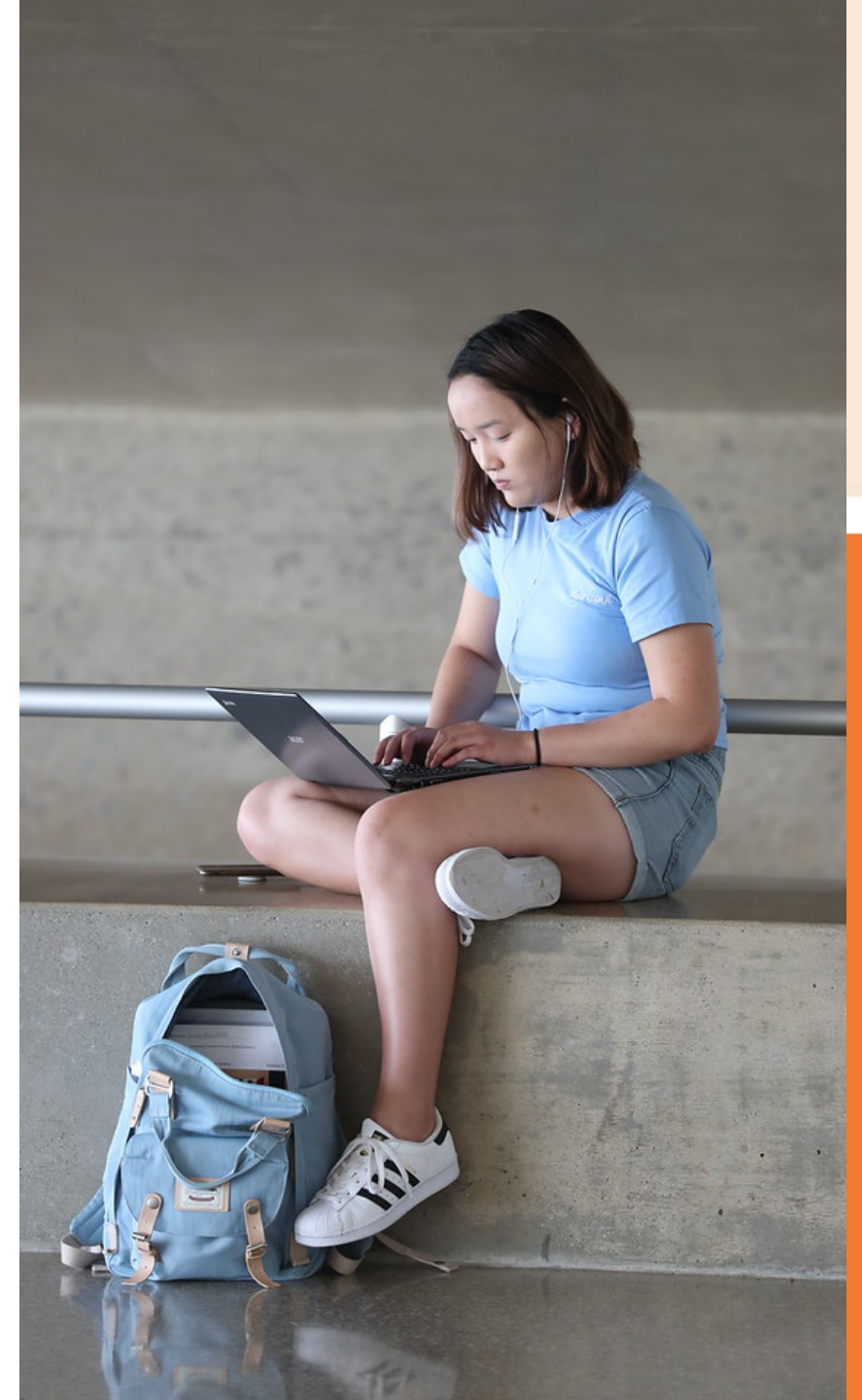
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Academic Advising

You will each have an assigned academic advisor

- Experts in specific majors and programs
- Establish a relationship with your advisor
- Advisor will assist with crafting graduation plan



Your Fall Semester Schedule

Accessing your schedule

- MyBGSU > Student Center > Fall 2020 > Classes
- You will receive an email today with information about scheduling a virtual advising appointment
- Check your BGSU email!

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Get Involved and Belong at BGSU!

- More than 400 student organizations
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Club sports
- Intramurals
- Working on campus

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Stand out at BGSU!

Opportunities to enrich your experience

- Co-ops and internships
- Research with faculty members
- Education abroad
- Learning Communities
- Center for Public Impact

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Living on Campus

- Packing
 - Find our full packing list at **bgsu.edu/packing**
 - Make sure you review the items **not** to pack as well
- Move-in
 - Students are assigned a specific day and time
 - Information will come to your BGSU email
 - Learn everything you want to know about move-in at **bgsu.edu/movein**

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Early Move-in Summer Programs

- If you are not already a member of a group that moves in early, we recommend checking out the various **FREE** early move-in summer programs we offer
- Each program has different features but they all will help you adapt to college life and teach you skills that will help you be more successful at BGSU
- You can find a link to these programs at **bgsu.edu/movein** but space is limited.



BGSU Dining

- What is a meal plan?
- COVID-19 response
 - Exceed CDC and State of Ohio standards
- Campus Dietitian – Paige Wagner (wiemanp@bgsu.edu)
 - Best source for answers on dietary, allergen, and nutrition questions!
- More info?
 - www.dineoncampus.com/bgsu



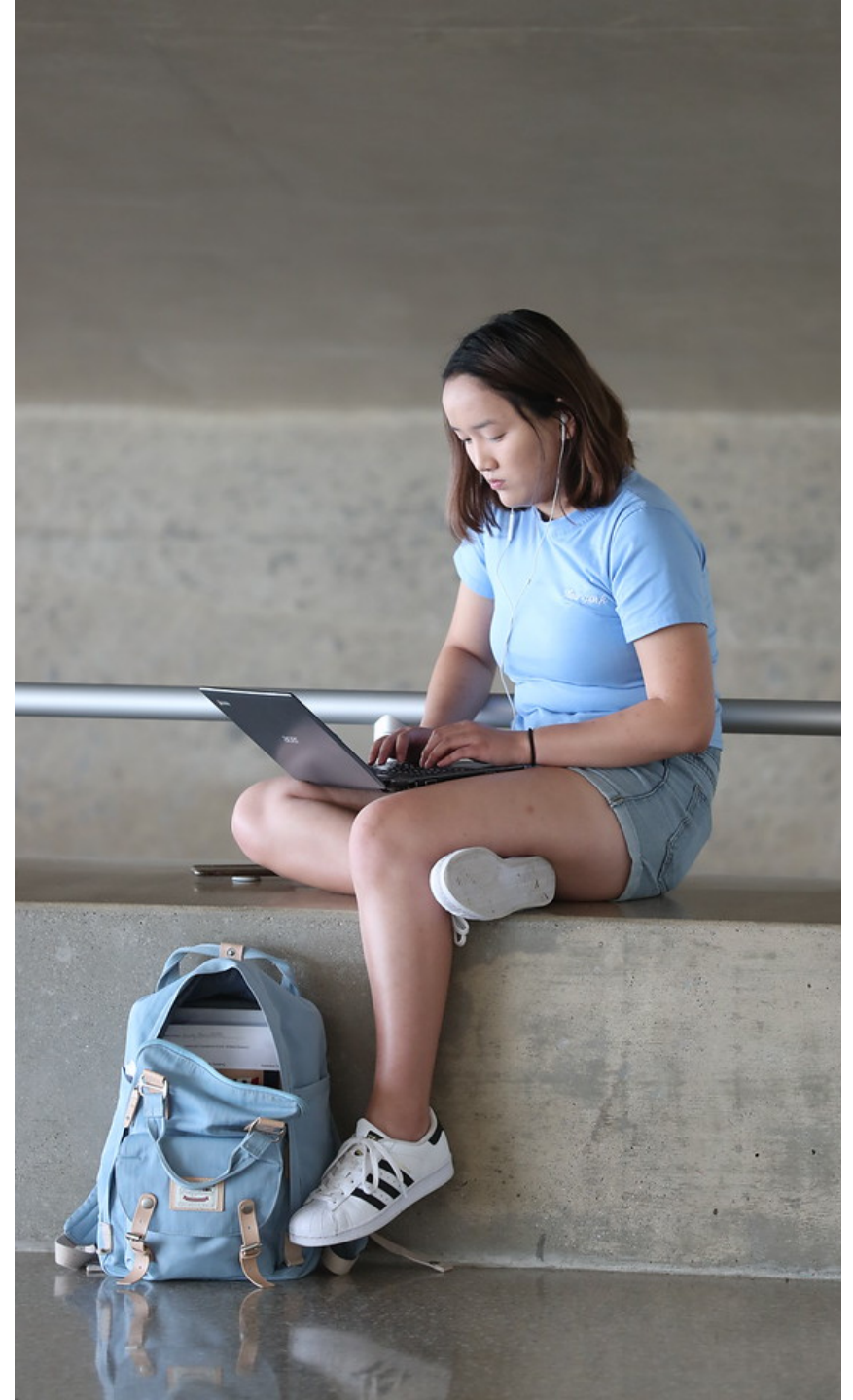
Health and Wellness

- Transition to college can be challenging
- Prioritize taking care of yourself
- Resources at BGSU
 - Recreation and Wellness
 - Falcon Health Center
 - Counseling Center



Financial Aid

- If borrowing student loans, students must complete Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note (MPN)
- Outside scholarships can be submitted over the summer to the Office of the Bursar
- Additional financial aid presentations available throughout the summer
- If receiving financial aid, you will receive a Financial Aid SOAR Snapshot with additional information about financial aid next steps



Office of the Bursar

Billing – How and When?

- No paper bills
- Students are notified weekly regarding any account activity

Term	Date Available	Due Date
Fall	7-1-20	8-1-20
Spring	12-1-20	1-1-21

Installment Payment Plan (IPP)

- Enrollment is required for each semester of participation
- Fall and/or Spring 4 payments; \$35 enrollment fee

Questions?? Call us: 419-372-6823 or
Email: bursar@bgsu.edu

Next Steps

- **SOAR doesn't end today!**
- **Make the most of your SOAR experience**
- **Additional webinars and experiences this summer – schedule on Virtual SOAR website**
 - **bgsu.edu/SOAR**

Welcome to the Falcon Family!

Stay in contact with us!

- Email us at orientation@bgsu.edu
- Visit the Virtual SOAR website – www.bgsu.edu/SOAR
- Check your BGSU email regularly

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