Transfer Orientation

WELCOME TO BGSU!

We’re excited to have you join us for Transfer Orientation and can’t wait to help you transition from your previous institution to Bowling Green State University. Although you are familiar with the college environment, you will find there are similarities and differences to navigating BGSU compared to your previous institution. Throughout Transfer Orientation, you’ll learn more about the BGSU community, academic and co-curricular expectations, and opportunities to shape your experience. You will also meet with an academic advisor to schedule courses to put your academic plan into action. Actively participating in Transfer Orientation is an important aspect of facilitating your transition to BGSU.

Get Connected Now!

Join your class cohort page on Facebook to begin connecting with other students. You will also see important updates about other BGSU resources and services.

Are your parents and family members attending Transfer Orientation? Either way, you should encourage them to stay connected to BGSU and other parents and family members by visiting the BGSU Parents Facebook page.
WE CAN’T WAIT TO MEET YOU!

Check-in for Transfer Orientation begins at 10:30 a.m. in Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Our program begins promptly at 11 a.m. Check out the campus map on page 5 of this packet for details regarding navigation to the parking lot and Olscamp Hall. Your parking permit is found on page 4.

Transfer Orientation Reservation Details
Student Name:

Transfer Orientation Date and Time (you must attend on the date below):

Selected Major and College:

Number of Registered Family Members/Guests*: 

*You are encouraged to pre-register family members and guests to avoid unnecessary delays and late registration fees at check-in. The fee for pre-registered family members and guests is $25 each and $12 for children under 12 years old. On-site registration is $30 per adult guest and $12 per child. There are no refunds for guests, but the fee can be transferred easily to another guest.

What to Bring to Transfer Orientation
• Parking Permit (page 4)
• A copy of transcripts, grades, course list, etc. from courses taken at your previous institution.
• A jacket or sweater
• One of the following forms of identification:
  - Valid state-issued driver's license with photo
  - State-issued photo ID card
  - Passport with photo
  - Military ID card

Special Accommodations
Facilities used for SOAR are barrier free.
Accessible parking is available in parking lots for persons who properly display a current state-issued disability placard in accordance with Ohio Revised Code. Please notify us of your needs for accommodations at least two weeks prior to your arrival by returning to your online reservation, emailing orientation@bgsu.edu, or calling our office at 419-372-0353.
To our guests with disabilities, please indicate if you need special services, assistance or appropriate modifications to fully participate in this event by contacting Accessibility Services, dss@bgsu.edu, 419-372-8495. Please notify us prior to the event.
## Transfer Orientation Checklist

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<th>TO DO</th>
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<td>File the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and learn more about the financial aid process at BGSU.</td>
<td>As soon as possible</td>
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<td>Join your class cohort Facebook group.</td>
<td>As soon as you want to connect with other incoming students!</td>
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<td>Send official transcripts to the Office of Admissions for any classes you have already completed.</td>
<td>As soon as they are available</td>
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<td>Direct Loan Borrowers, sign your Master Promissory Note and complete entrance counseling online.</td>
<td>As soon as possible</td>
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<td>Make your payment for tuition or sign-up for a payment plan and make your first payment.</td>
<td>Check out the “Taking Care of Your Bill” information for payment details (page 6)</td>
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<td>Complete the Financial Responsibility Agreement and update your contact information.</td>
<td>Before your Transfer Orientation date—check your “To Do List” in your myBGSU for completion</td>
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<td>Waive/enroll in the Student Health Insurance plan.</td>
<td>The day after your Transfer Orientation visit</td>
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choose.bgsu.edu/nextsteps
Guest Parking Permit

Transfer Orientation

PARKING LOT 7
Valid 4/23, 5/22, 6/19 and 7/11, 2018

bgsu.edu/parking

Please fold in half and display permit side up on your driver’s side dashboard
Bowling Green State University offers tools and services to you and your family to help manage finances. To continue your education at BGSU, you must be in good standing with the University.

Financial resources to help pay tuition and other expenses

1. Financial Aid
   • Apply for financial aid early to maximize funding options. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
   • If you completed your FAFSA previously, add BGSU’s school code of 003018 to make sure we receive your application information.
   • Take advantage of scholarship opportunities by logging into myBGSU and clicking on Financials.

2. Tuition Reimbursement Programs
   • Check with your employer, or have your parents check with their employer to determine tuition reimbursement programs.

3. Personal Payments
   • BGSU payment plan: Learn more at [Payment Plan Options](#).
   • After registering, make sure payment in full is received by the posted due date.

Stay informed and current with your financial aid and your bill

1. Estimate your Bill
   • Visit the [Calculate Your Cost of Attendance](#) to calculate your expected bill.

2. Email Notifications
   • Check your BGSU email account regularly for important financial aid messages and billing updates.

3. Access BGSU
   • Access BGSU provides students the ability to share important data such as Financial Aid Awards, Billing/Payment information, Holds, To Do List and Grades with designated proxy (parent, guardian, spouse, etc.). For step-by-step instruction on using Access BGSU, please visit [bgsu.edu/accessbgsu](http://bgsu.edu/accessbgsu) and review the guides listed under “Documentation”. Access must be delegated before we can discuss your account with a parent or guardian.

4. Financial Aid Requirements and Awards
   • Log in to [MyBGSU](#) to view status of your financial aid and your awards. Check your “To Do List” on a regular basis for items that need to be completed.

5. Online Bill
   • To view your student account summary, log into your myBGSU account and navigate to your student center.

6. Mailing Address Updates
   • Make sure your address is current. Review your [Personal Information](#) in your MyBGSU.