

Orientation Schedule

Welcome to Minnesota State University, Mankato!

The following schedule includes your orientation activities for the day. If you have questions during your visit, please find an Orientation Peer Assistant (OPA) and they will gladly assist.

Orientation Check-In MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

8:00-8:45 a.m.

At check-in, pick up your orientation materials for the day!

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

8:00-8:45 a.m.

MavCARDS ordered online prior to orientation can be picked up during this time. Students who did NOT order their cards online but would like to get their MavCARD today can have their photo taken during this time for pick up later today. Tech ID and government-issued photo ID must be presented.

Campus Resource Fair MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

8:00-8:45 a.m.

Visit with various offices and departments to learn about services and opportunities for involvement.

Orientation Welcome Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

8:45-9:00 a.m.

Welcome to Minnesota State University, Mankato! Students and families will be introduced to the orientation staff and receive updates and information about the orientation experience.

Academic Information, Expectations, and Requirements Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU 9:00-9:15 a.m.

This session will address our academic responsibilities, expectations, and general education requirements for all students at Minnesota State Mankato.

Academic Major Meetings and Information

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Academic advising teams will introduce you to more information about academic requirements, expectations, and support specific to your major.

Allied Health	CSU 201
Aviation	CSU 253
Business	MH 103
Education	CSU 254
Nursing	CSU 255
Science, Engineering & Technology	CSU 245
Humanities & Social Sciences	AH 101
Undecided	AH 102

- Students majoring in Secondary Education (junior/middle or senior high school teaching) should attend the session which best matches the subject matter they wish to teach.
- Students in pre-professional programs (i.e. Medicine, Law, Veterinary Science, etc.) should attend the session which best matches the subject matter of their plan of study.
- The Undecided session is for students who have not yet selected a major.

Student Welcome & Group Activities

Centennial Student Union 245

10:15-11:00 a.m.

Orientation Peer Assistants will lead students through a series of large and small group activities.

Student Choice Info Sessions

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Students choose to attend three sessions from the list below. Sessions will run for fifteen minutes each.

Living on campus	CSU 255
Parking, Safety, & Security	CSU 253
Student Activities	CSU 254
Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion	CSU 202
Financial Aid	CSU 201
University Athletics	CSU 203
Campus Recreation	CSU 204
Campus Tech	CSU 238

Family Orientation Welcome and Family Programs

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

10:15-10:30 a.m.

Learn what programs and opportunities the University has for you as families of Mavericks!

Financial Aid for Families

10:30-10:50 a.m.

Student Financial Services provides assistance and information to families on covering the cost of college. This presentation will discuss the many ways to pay for a college education and the steps to take to ensure your student has a financial plan in place before the start of the school year.

Student Health Services for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

10:50-11:10 a.m.

Student Health Services provides comprehensive medical services with a full-service pharmacy and laboratory. This presentation will summarize what families need to know prior to their student arriving on campus. Health education services will also be reviewed including volunteer opportunities and substance abuse prevention education for students and parents.

Campus Security and Safety for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

11:10-11:30 a.m.

Campus Security provides a variety of services for students on campus. This session will address the various resources available to students and provide basic information on safety at Minnesota State Mankato.

Meal Plans and University Dining for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

11:30 -11:40 a.m.

Information about the various meal plans, dining options, and food allergy information will be shared.

Lunch

University Dining Center

12:00-12:50 p.m.

Enjoy lunch in the University Dining Center!

Course Advising and Registration for Students

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

1:00-3:45 p.m.

The University Advising Team will provide you with information about general education and major courses, and will offer you course advising and registration assistance for your first semester classes at Minnesota State Mankato. This session is for **students only.** Students will return to the CSU after they complete registration.

Allied Health	WH 115
Business	AH 331
Education & Aviation	ML 81
Nursing	WH 379
Science, Engineering & Technology	ML 109
Humanities & Social Sciences	ML 47
Undecided	AH 203

Residential Life Information for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

1:10 -2:00 p.m.

Learn what you can expect for your student in the residence halls. Topics such as move-in, roommate issues, policies, and other resources will be shared.

Getting Textbooks: Information from the Campus Bookstore for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st

Floor CSU

2:00-2:10 p.m.

Learn about the textbook reservation process, book buyback, and other bookstore services.

MavCARD (Student ID)

MavAve. 1st Floor CSU

1:30-3:45 p.m..

(Following Advising and Registration) Pick up your MavCARD ordered earlier today. If time allows, we will process new requests as well. If you plan to move into a residence hall and access dining plans the weekend before classes start, you MUST have your MavCARD when you move in!

Student Orientation Checkout

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

1:30-4:00 p.m.

(Following Advising and Registration)

Computer Purchase and Set-up Assistance

Campus Computer Store, 1st Floor CSU

2:00-4:00 p.m.

If you are purchasing a computer from the Campus Computer Store, the Information Technology Services staff will be available to help you purchase and set-up the new computer with the software and services provided to Minnesota State Mankato students.

Dates to Remember

Move In Day: August 17, 2023

Welcome Week: August 17-20, 2023
First Day of Class: August 21, 2023
Family Weekend: October 27-29, 2023

Program Notes:

- The orientation program begins at 8:45 a.m. and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Students need to attend the entire orientation program to be able to register for classes. Any changes in the orientation schedule will be noted during the welcome session.
- If you are in need of wireless access, please use the MavGuest wireless available in the entire CSU building.
- Students need to keep their check-in packet and bag with them throughout the orientation.
- Orientation parking is available in the Visitors Lot by the CSU. Parking on the street or in any Gold parking lots will result in a ticket.
- Minnesota State University, Mankato is a tobacco-free campus. Please refrain from smoking or using tobacco products on campus while at orientation.