FRESHMAN ORIENTATION/REGISTRATION
FALL 2019
August 21-23

WEDNESDAY
7:45 a.m.—5:30 p.m. MSU Bookstore open
Strand Union Lower Level

8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Cat Card Office open
Stop by Cat Card’s pop-up location to have your picture taken for your student ID card. Don’t want to wait in line? Submit your picture online by downloading the GET app and following the instructions at www.montana.edu/catcard/account.html

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Mandatory and Required Check-In
SUB Ballroom ABCD
Now that you’ve checked in, please look over this schedule to see the mandatory sessions that you must attend for the next few days.

11:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Math Placement Test (MPLEX)
Computer Labs
MSU’s math placement exam, or MPLEX, is available free of charge for new students at orientation. Check your Registration and Advising Written Report (RAWR) Form to see if you are eligible to take the Math Placement Exam (MPLEX). Advisors are available to talk to students about MPLEX at the orientation check-in (Student Union) or one of the MPLEX testing locations listed below.
- Agriculture, Letters & Sciences, and Business: Reid 306
- Arts & Architecture, University Studies, and Pre-US: Reid 302
- Education, Health & Human Development, Engineering, and Nursing: Roberts 110
Students who test into a higher math level MUST speak with the representative from the Registrar’s Office in the Computer Lab to have their Academic Template adjusted accordingly.

2:00—3:30 p.m. Mandatory Immigration Regulation and Requirements
165 Norm Asbjornson Hall
Mandatory for all International Students! Your HOLD will NOT be lifted if you don’t attend and will cause you problems with registration.

3:45 – 4:30 p.m. Orientation Welcome
Brick Breeden Field House
All parents, students, and family members should attend this welcome to the University and kickoff to Orientation!

4:45—5:30 p.m. Things I Wish I’d Known
Brick Breeden Field House
Meet MSU’s Dean of Students, Dr. Matt Caires; Chief of Police, Frank Parrish; Director of Housing, Jeff Bondy; and Director of the Office of Institutional Equity and Title IX Coordinator, Emily Stark, and hear about everything that MSU does to ensure that this is more than just a campus, but a place to call home!

5:30—7:00 p.m. Welcome Picnic for all students, families, and friends:
$10.00 for adults, $5.00 for children 12 and under. Students on a Residence Hall Meal Plan will not be charged. Located in the Romney Oval (the grassy area between the SUB and the Renee Library).

7:15—8:30 p.m. Mandatory: Academics 1: Your Introduction to your MSU Degree

8:30—10:00 p.m. Special Event: Hypnotist
SUB Ballrooms ABCD
Come and enjoy Gabriel Holmes as he hypnotizes some of your fellow classmates – or perhaps even you! This event will be sure to blow your mind! Family members are welcome!

THURSDAY
8:15—9:00 a.m. Becoming an MSU Bobcat: Navigating the University Experience
SUB Ballroom ABCD
As an MSU student you have access to special opportunities and experiences that will advance your learning as a student and your career after graduation. Discuss programs, services, and experiences that you can leverage to strengthen your experience inside and outside of the classroom.

9:10—9:55 a.m. Academics 2: Preview the Advising Tools You Will Use Everyday SUB Ballrooms
Representatives from the Registrar’s Office will introduce you to the tools you will need to succeed.

11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Mandatory: Academic Department Meeting/Academic Advising Classrooms Around Campus
Students will learn about their academic department and major. Students will also receive their advising assignment and meet with their advisor. Mandatory to attend this meeting starting at 11 AM.
Agriculture 165 Asbjornson Hall
Arts & Architecture 215 Cheever Hall
Business 111 Jabs Hall
Education 101 Reid Hall
Engineering Barnard Hall Atrium
Health and Human Development 104 Reid Hall
Letters & Science 103 Barnard Hall
Nursing 137 Asbjornson Hall
Pre-Medicine 105 Reid Hall
Pre-University Studies 043 Gaines Hall
University Studies 101 Gaines Hall

5:15—5:45 p.m. Office of Student Engagement 103 Reid Hall
You have many opportunities to connect to campus and the Bozeman area to make MSU feel like your new home! Learn how you can get engaged at MSU and in the Bozeman community in addition to how you can become involved in your student body government.

5:15—5:45 p.m. Diversity and Inclusion 104 Reid Hall
This session will provide an overview of the Diversity and Inclusion Student Commons, introduce programs and events that highlight or support diverse groups of students, and share information about initiatives that promote inclusion at MSU.

5:15—6:00 p.m. Student Athlete Information Session 168 SUB
Required for incoming athletes
For students who plan to participate in intercollegiate athletics at MSU. Information about the department’s mission, eligibility standards, and academic support will be included.

7:30—8:30 p.m. Convocation: - Educated - Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
All are welcome to attend this annual FREE event. Tara Westover, whose bestselling memoir about the transformative power of being educated will speak at MSU’s 2019 Convocation on Aug. 22 in Brick Breeden Fieldhouse.

8:30 p.m. MSU Bookstore Blowout!! MSU Bookstore
Gear up for back to school with everything you need to start your semester off right. School supplies, organizational tools, course materials, and more! Unbelievable giveaways, savings, and fun all at the MSU Bookstore. You won’t want to miss this event!

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Mandatory: COURSE REGISTRATION Roberts, Cobleigh, and Barnard Computer Labs
You MUST follow your scheduled registration time. If you do not have your RAWR or signed Advising materials, you will not be allowed to register for classes.

Students in the following Colleges register in Roberts Hall 109, 110, 111:
Arts & Architecture, Engineering, and University Studies

Students in the following Colleges register in Cobleigh Hall 210:
Agriculture, Education, Health and Human Development, and Nursing

Students in the following Colleges register in Barnard Hall 129/134:
Business, Letters & Science, and Pre-University Studies
12:45 p.m.                        Campus Tour                                                        Departing from outside the South Entrance of the Strand Union

1:45—2:30 p.m. Paying for School Beyond Your First Semester  Procrastinator Theater
Beyond FAFSA. This session focuses on financial literacy and the important considerations when deciding how you will afford higher education. Attend this information session put on by the Allen Yarnell Center for Student Success Office of Financial Education and get tips for navigating student loan debt, searching for scholarships, important deadlines, and everything else you need to know about staying financially sound.

Please contact the Office of International Programs with any questions at 175 Strand Union Building or 406-994-4031.

Students must adhere to their assigned registration times and locations. Throughout Registration, if you are unable to secure a class that you need for your major, are having trouble with the registration software, or just want some additional guidance, please come to ROBERTS HALL 113 where academic assistance will be available until 4:00pm.

CATAPALOOZA WELCOME EVENT
Join us for Catapalooza, MSU's annual welcome event, on Thursday, August 22 and Friday, August 23! There will be free food, giveaways, raffles, music, entertainment, and activities. Various clubs, organizations, departments, and local businesses will be on campus from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day on the MSU Centennial Mall, in the heart of campus, to show you what MSU and the Bozeman community have to offer. Come join us and start your first semester off right!

MSU DEBUT
We want to welcome you to your new home! MSU Debut is the official beginning of your experience as a Bobcat! During MSU Debut you will have opportunities to connect with other incoming students, returning students, faculty, and staff who are excited to welcome you into the Bobcat community! Find out more about our Signature Events at www.montana.edu/msudebut and visit the MSU Debut tent at Catapalooza!

IMMUNIZATIONS
Your immunizations must be complete before you will be eligible to register for classes. Students needing immunizations can receive them at the Swingle Health Service, August 21– August 23, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. There is a fee for these immunizations, payable at the time of service.

FEE PAYMENT
After you have completed course registration, you can review your bill and pay your fees online through MyInfo. You must pay your fees by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 30 to avoid a late fee.