Have questions about becoming a Golden Grizzly?
We’re ready to answer them. Call (248) 370-3660 or email visit@oakland.edu.

Want another tour of campus?
We’d love to show you around. Sign up for one at oakland.edu/visit or take a virtual tour at youvisit.com/oakland.

Not quite ready to attend OU?
No problem, you may be able to defer your admission to a future semester. Find out more at oakland.edu/futurestudents/defer.

Attending another college or university?
We’re sorry to see you go. Please cancel your admission at oakland.edu/cancel, and cancel your housing at oakland.edu/housing/processes-and-procedures.
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ADMISSION TO OAKLAND UNIVERSITY!

You are about to join our community of 17,000 students who live, learn and work on Oakland's campus in southeast Michigan. You’re almost part of the Golden Grizzlies, ready to pursue excellence with 140 undergraduate degree programs and ready to stand out from the competition.

But before all that, you need to complete a few steps to guarantee your spot at OU.

ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT NOW
Follow the directions at oakland.edu/activate to activate your account and create a PIN, NetID and password. You’ll need your Grizzly ID number from your acceptance letter to get started. Your PIN number allows you to view and pay your eBill.

Your NetID and password allows you to:
• Register for transfer student orientation
• Apply to live in on-campus housing
• Accept scholarships
• Review financial aid awards and requirements
• Receive direct deposit and billing (eBill) notifications
• Check your OU email and calendar
• Access grades, transcripts and more

Once your student account information is created, sign into your MySail account using your NetID and password at mysail.oakland.edu.

Get in the habit of checking your OU email regularly for important updates, notifications and announcements. Access your email through the ‘webmail’ link on your MySail account or through gmail.com.

SCHEDULE A TRANSFER STUDENT ORIENTATION
During orientation, you will meet with an academic adviser who specializes in your major. You will receive course recommendations, register for classes, and get answers to any questions you may have. There will also be additional opportunities to get to know OU’s campus and experience the amazing community that awaits you.

To schedule your transfer student orientation visit oakland.edu/tso.

COMPLETE THE FAFSA BEGINNING OCTOBER 1
We’re proud to make an exceptional education affordable. More than half of all OU students receive financial assistance totaling more than $150 million annually. You can benefit from those funds, too.

Apply for financial assistance by filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) beginning October 1 to be considered for federal, state and/or OU need-based aid. Be sure to use OU’s federal code: 002307.

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**SUBMIT A HOUSING CONTRACT**
Living on campus is the best way to achieve the full college experience. Almost 2,000 students live at OU, and each year more and more want to — and for good reason: OU is ranked one of the safest college campuses in the country and the overall safest in Michigan.

Residents receive academic, emotional and social support with highly trained staff members, chosen for their proven ability to work with students, who live right in the residence halls. Living options are a quick 15-minute walk to classrooms, labs, Kresge Library, the Rec Center, dining, and more.

You can submit your housing contract at oakland.edu/housing/apply. You’ll need your NetID and password to log on. Housing space is limited; please set a reminder now to submit your contract on:
- November 1 for winter 2023
- February 1 for fall 2023
- April 1 for summer 2023

You must be registered for a minimum of one credit hour per semester to live in on-campus housing.

Residents enjoy free:
- Wireless Internet
- Lounges with big-screen TVs
- Parking
- Laundry facilities
- Tutoring and academic support

Special interest floors:
- Business
- Education
- Engineering and Computer Sciences
- Health Sciences

**ACCEPT SCHOLARSHIPS** (if applicable)
OU offers scholarships based on academic achievement. As an admitted student, you have automatically been considered for these scholarships and may have received one upon admission. Go to oakland.edu/scholaraccept to accept your scholarship now.

**CHECK YOUR FINANCIAL AID STATUS**
If you complete the FAFSA in early October, you will receive award notifications for other scholarships, grants and loans beginning in December (and continuing as new awards are made). Often, we need additional information or documentation to process your aid. Be sure to check your OU email regularly so you can respond promptly. Remember, no enrollment deposit is required at OU.

**REVIEW COURSE PLACEMENT**
Academic advisers will assist you in developing a plan of study based on credits you transfer. We also use SAT or ACT scores for course placement, as needed. If you have not taken math, writing or foreign language courses at your previous university, placement testing is available.

Explore more scholarship opportunities at oakland.edu/financialservices.
DON'T FORGET
If you’re interested in majoring in music, theatre or dance, you must audition. Applications for auditions are separate and in addition to the application for OU.

oakland.edu/smtd/futurestudents

The Honors College offers small class sizes, specialized research funding, study abroad opportunities, preferential registration and additional advising support.

oakland.edu/hc

SEND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS
If you were admitted to OU on unofficial transcripts, don’t forget to request official transcripts from each college or university you’ve attended. Transcripts should be sent to:

Undergraduate Admissions
Wilson Hall, Room 2000
371 Wilson Blvd.
Rochester, MI 48309-4454
Or email transcripts to oakuniv@oakland.edu.

If we do not receive your official transcripts, a hold will be placed on your account preventing you from registering for future classes. Remember, admissions advisers are available to assist with your transcripts.

SUBMIT ADDITIONAL COLLEGE CREDIT BEFORE ORIENTATION
Let all your past hard work count at OU. We grant credit and/or exemption for selected Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) and College-Level Examination Placement (CLEP) tests. Submit all your scores to:

Office of the Registrar
North Foundation Hall, Room 160
318 Meadow Brook Road
Rochester, MI 48309-4454

oakland.edu/collegecredit

ENROLL IN AN OU PAYMENT PLAN
If you plan on using financial aid, it’s important to understand what your aid covers and what it doesn’t. For any uncovered costs, you’ll need to determine how to pay for them. OU offers a payment plan which allows you to spread your tuition and costs into smaller more manageable payments.

oakland.edu/paymentplan

ADDITIONAL SERVICES
Disability Support Services
If you have a physical, psychological, sensory and/or learning disability, please contact Disability Support Services to discuss eligibility for services and accommodations. If you plan to live on campus and need specific residential support, please contact Disability Support Services for additional details.

oakland.edu/dss

Veterans Support Services
OU's Veterans Support Services offers veterans and their dependents assistance in receiving military service-related benefits and provides information about VA work-study opportunities, social networking events, and veteran-specific scholarships.

oakland.edu/veterans

Student Financial Services
Our knowledgeable advisers will help you understand OU’s payment due dates and cancellation process, navigate financial resources (including emergency grants), and explain payment options.

oakland.edu/financialservices

No deposit is required at OU!