FIRST-YEAR STUDENT ENROLLMENT GUIDE

STEP 1
ACTIVATE IMPORTANT ACCOUNTS

Visit oakland.edu/admissions for instructions on activating your official Oakland email and MySAIL (student portal) accounts. You will need your Grizzly ID number and NetID from your acceptance letter. You should set up both accounts immediately and begin checking them regularly.

Through MySAIL, you'll be able to:
• View your up-to-the-minute financial aid status
• Receive notifications of missing financial aid documentation or requirements
• Register for classes and view grades in the future

You will not be billed for classes or housing until after you attend New Student Orientation (see Step 2). For current tuition rates, visit oakland.edu/tuition.

Once you have activated your MySAIL account, you can use your Grizzly ID number and PIN to access eBill, the university’s online bill payment system. To access eBill, go to oakland.edu/eBill. In eBill you'll be able to:
• Make payments from a checking or savings account, or debit or credit card
• Enroll in a payment plan
• Schedule a payment for a date in the future
• Save your most common payment methods
• View your current balance and statement

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• Be introduced to your school/college
• Meet with your academic advisor and register for classes
• Learn about university policies, resources and your OU accounts
• Meet other new students and have fun!

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STEP 2
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

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(248) 370-GOLD
105 North Foundation Hall
oakland.edu/orientation  gold@oakland.edu

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STEP 3
SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Oakland University offers two types of financial assistance: scholarships based on academic achievement, and financial aid based on need.

SCHOLARSHIPS
OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS
101 NORTH FOUNDATION HALL
(888) OAK-UNIV or (248) 370-3380
oakland.edu/scholarships

Scholarships are available to students who have demonstrated superior academic achievement during their high school career. All admitted first-year students are automatically considered.

FINANCIAL AID
STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES
(248) 370-2950
120 NORTH FOUNDATION HALL
oakland.edu/financialservices  finservices@oakland.edu

Grants, loans and on-campus employment are also available for students through Student Financial Services. Students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.gov to be considered for federal, state and/or need-based financial aid. To maximize your financial aid award package, we recommend you complete the FAFSA as soon as possible beginning January 1 for the upcoming school year. Include Oakland University’s federal code of 002307 on your FAFSA.

Student Financial Services will begin sending award notifications at the end of March and continue as new awards are made. Many times Student Financial Services needs additional information or documentation to process your financial aid. Access your OU email and MySAIL account often so that you can respond to requests promptly, because delays may affect your award packages.

STEP 4
ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO CONSIDER

COURSE PLACEMENT
oakland.edu/courseplacement

For first-year students, Oakland uses ACT or SAT scores for course placement. Some courses at OU require students to take additional placement exams before orientation or meet certain criteria. Placement testing assists academic advisers and new students in determining appropriate courses. Before orientation, you should learn about course placement by visiting oakland.edu/courseplacement. Questions? Contact the orientation staff at (248) 370-GOLD.

AP, IB AND CLEP SCORES
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR
(248) 370-3482
160 O’POUND HALL
ROCHESTER, MI  48309-4001
oakland.edu/regservices
regservices@oakland.edu

Oakland University grants credit and/or exemption for selected scores on Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) and College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examinations. All scores should be forwarded to the Office of the Registrar.

UNIVERSITY HOUSING
(248) 370-3970
448 HAMLIN HALL
oakland.edu/housing  housing@oakland.edu

University housing is offered to new, degree-seeking students who are enrolled in a minimum of eight credit hours per semester. Housing information that details living options, meal plans and more is available at oakland.edu/housing. Housing contracts are available online at oakland.edu/housing/app/apply. Please note that housing space is limited. New students are encouraged to submit a housing contract as soon as possible after March 1 for the fall semester, or after November 1 for the winter semester.

UnderGRADUATE ADMISSIONS
101 North Foundation Hall  2200 North Squirrel Rd.  Rochester, Michigan  48309-4401
(800) OAK-UNIV  visit@oakland.edu  oakland.edu/futurestudents

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