



WINTER ORIENTATION
FIRST YEAR STUDENT – SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES
Wednesday-Thursday, January 10 - 11

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIMES – NMU is located in the Eastern Time Zone

ATTENDANCE- You are required to attend every session listed on your schedule. Exceptions include the Electronic Payment/Payment Plan Sign-up session (only if you need assistance) and Meeting for Residence Hall (only for students living on-campus).

MEALS- Meals are not included with Orientation on Wednesday, January 10th. **Students with a meal plan may use their ID card to purchase food starting on Thursday, January 11th.** Students (and guests) without a meal plan will be provided a meal ticket for both lunch and dinner on Thursday, January 11th.

WEDNESDAY

- 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **ORIENTATION CHECK-IN** (Harden Hall, Lower Level)
Check in anytime between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. At check-in, you will be provided instruction and given orientation materials for the program.
- 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **LAPTOP DISTRIBUTION** (Harden Hall, 114)
Students will be issued a computer for the academic year. During this time, you will also set up the computer for use. **You MUST register and set-up your laptop right away in order to have your laptop ready for the Math Placement Test.** If you are not a full-time student, you may return the computer after the orientation program on Friday, or you may elect to keep the computer for the semester and be charged the TLC Laptop Fee. **To be issued a laptop, your NMU Identification Number (located in student folder) and a Photo ID are required.**
- 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **WILDCAT EXPRESS STUDENT ID CARDS** (Northern Center, 1227)
Students should pose for their ID card photos. ID cards are used for entrance to residence halls and dining locations. **Students must take their NMU IN (located in student folders) to receive an ID card.**
- 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **PLACEMENT TESTING** (Jamrich Hall), **Laptop Required for Testing**
Math Placement (Jamrich, 1318): NMU has a math graduation requirement. Students who do not have any math credits transferring to NMU must take the math placement test. Please note that placement tests from previous universities do not transfer with you.
Nursing Chemistry Readiness Test (Jamrich, 1311): Students planning on applying to the Nursing program who do not have the appropriate college credit in Chemistry will need to take the Chemistry Readiness placement test to be appropriately placed into Chemistry courses.
Language Placement (Jamrich, 1313): This placement test is for students who are interested in taking a foreign language course at NMU. If you are not transferring college language credits but have taken a foreign language course prior to attending NMU, you should take the language placement test.

THURSDAY

Students should bring their laptops to all sessions.

- 8:00 a.m. to **WELCOME SESSION** (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
8:30 a.m. This session will include a welcome, an introduction of staff, the assignment of participants to small groups, and an overview of the program.
- 8:30 a.m. to **ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS & ADVISING PREPARATION**
10:00 a.m. (Group assignments and meeting locations will be announced at the Welcome Session)
Academic requirements and instructions for advisement and course scheduling are explained.
- 10:05 a.m. to **INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES** (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
10:55 a.m. A presentation on campus life, extracurricular activities and student organizations.
- 10:55 a.m. to **HEALTH & SAFETY** (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
11:55 a.m. A representative from the NMU Police Department and the Dean of Students office will provide students with need to know information about campus safety and the student code.
- Noon to **LUNCH BREAK**
1:00 p.m.
- 1:00 p.m. to **FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION** (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
1:30 p.m. The Financial Aid Office provides students with the basic necessary information to manage their financial aid at NMU.
- 1:30 p.m. to **STUDENT SUCCESS AT NMU** (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
2:00 p.m. Information on aspects of being an NMU student will be presented including a discussion of support services available to students, financial information, and other mandatory information.
- 2:00 p.m. to **ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT & COURSE SCHEDULING** (Refer to advising site sheet in folder for locations)
4:00 p.m. Students will work with academic advisers to finalize their schedule for the winter.
- 3:30 p.m. to **ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF TUITION & FEES/PAYMENT PLAN SIGN UP – LAPTOP REQUIRED**
5:00 p.m. (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
Once course registration has been completed, students may attend this session anytime between 3:30 and 5:00 p.m. Staff will walk students through the process of paying their bill and/or signing up for a payment plan online. Students who plan to pay their bill online will need either a check or credit card to do so.
- 5:00 p.m. to **DINNER BREAK**
6:00 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m. to **MEETING FOR RESIDENCE HALL STUDENTS & GUESTS** (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
7:30 p.m. All new students and guests with students living in the residence halls will meet with staff from Housing and Residence Life to discuss various aspects of residence hall life and services.

Additional items to consider looking into during or after Orientation. Offices are open Monday – Friday 8:00 – 5:00 p.m., starting January 2nd.

PICK-UP YOUR WILDCAT EXPRESS STUDENT ID CARD (Northern Center, 1227)

Students will have their picture taken for their NMU ID card. *Students need their NMU IN when they visit the Wildcat Express Center (IN is included in your folder).*

SPEAK WITH VETERAN STUDENT SERVICES (Hedgcock, 2001)

Students and parents who have questions regarding Veteran’s Resources will have the opportunity to meet with the Veterans Resource Representative.

SPEAK WITH DISABILITY STUDENT SERVICES (Hedgcock, 2001)

Students and parents who have questions regarding services available for students with disabilities will have an opportunity to meet with a staff member from the Disability Student Services Office.

VISIT THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE (Cohodas 203)

All students are welcome to learn more about international programming, study abroad opportunities, and the All Nations Club. International students can learn more about the resources available to them through this office.

VISIT THE NMU BOOKSTORE (Northern Center, Lower Level)

Look up textbooks for the winter semester, check out what supplies are available that may be needed in the winter and browse through a variety of gift items and apparel.

ABBREVIATED FIRST YEAR FAMILY/GUEST SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY

12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.....Orientation Check-In (Harden Hall, Lower Level)

THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m..... Welcome Session (Jamrich Hall, 1100)

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m..... Guest Session – Academics (Jamrich Hall, 1322)

10:05 a.m. to 10:55 a.m..... Involvement Opportunities (Jamrich Hall, 1100)

10:55 a.m. to 11:55 a.m..... Health & Safety (Jamrich Hall, 1100)

Noon to 1:00 p.m..... Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m..... Guest Session – Finances (Jamrich Hall, 1322)

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m..... Electronic Payment of Tuition and Fees/Payment Plan Sign Up (Jamrich Hall, 1100)

5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m..... Dinner Break

6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m..... Meeting for Residence Hall Students & Guests (Jamrich Hall, 1100)