

NEW STUDENT ROADMAP

SPRING 2018



Minot State
UNIVERSITY

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WELCOME

Thank you for choosing Minot State University! Our goal is to make your move to campus as smooth as possible. Your successful transition is the first step to graduating from Minot State in four years for most programs.

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8 STEPS to Prepare You for Life at Minot State University

1 Register to attend New Student Orientation

All new students must attend a New Student Orientation session. **Once you have been admitted to MSU, you will receive your New Student Orientation invitation via email with a link to register for an Orientation session.** Visit AskMSU.com/orientation for more information. The sessions are limited, so make your reservation early!

Spring 2018 New Student Orientation Dates:

December 15, 2017 and January 5, 2018

- Placement Testing will be available from 7– 8:30 A.M. on Orientation days. If you would like to schedule a separate time to take the Placement test, contact the Testing Center at 701-858-3990.
- **If you are an international or Canadian student,** you will be required to attend an additional student orientation, called the F-1 Regulations Workshop, on **Sunday, January 7, 2018.** You will receive more information from the Office of International Programs.
- Parents are encouraged to attend Orientation to learn more about having a student at MSU. Check-in begins at 8:15 A.M. and orientation typically ends around 4 P.M.

2 Submit final transcripts and test scores

- **Freshman Students:** Submit **OFFICIAL, FINAL TRANSCRIPTS** noting the date of high school graduation. If you have dual credit enrollment, you must also provide an official college transcript from the institution offering courses regardless of whether the coursework is on your high school transcript.
- **Transfer Students:** Submit **OFFICIAL, FINAL TRANSCRIPTS** from previous colleges and universities. If you have earned fewer than 24 credits, you must also submit your final high school transcript along with ACT or SAT scores.

3 Send Required Proof of Immunizations

According to NDUS policy 506.1, any student enrolled at any NDUS institution must provide documentation of immunity against measles, mumps and rubella (MMR). Newly admitted students ages 21 and younger must provide documentation of immunity against meningococcal disease (given after age 16 years).

Mail immunization and final transcripts to:
Minot State University
Enrollment Services
500 University Ave W
Minot, ND 58707

4 Claim your Campus Connection account

You will need access to your Campus Connection account to register for classes. Follow these instructions to claim your account:

1. Go to MinotStateU.edu/cc
2. Click '**Claim Your Account**'
3. Enter your DOB and your student ID number (also known as your EMPLID), which was included in your acceptance letter.
4. Follow the steps as indicated.
5. **Be sure to record your username and password in a safe place for future reference!**

If you need help with this process, please call the NDUS Help Desk at 1-866-457-6387.



AskMSU.com/orientation

5 Apply Online for Housing

Follow the steps below to complete your application and submit your \$100 reservation fee. You must be accepted to the university to apply for housing.

1. Log in to your Campus Connection account.
2. Click on **Self Service**.
3. Click on **On Campus Housing**.
4. Select Minot State University.
5. Click on **Apply Online**.
6. Select the appropriate application (2017-2018 Residence Hall Application and Contract)
7. Make sure to read the "General Conditions of Contract." If agreed, click Agree.
8. Payment Agreement – click Agree to paying the \$100 reservation fee.
9. Fill out the application and select a meal plan.
10. You will be asked to submit your reservation fee by credit/debit card or e-check.
11. Your online application is completed!

Room assignments for the spring semester will be emailed after December 15, 2017. Please contact the Housing Office at 701-858-3363 with any questions.

6 Buy your books before classes begin

Once you have enrolled and received your class schedule, you may purchase or rent books needed for your classes at the MSU Barnes & Noble Bookstore on campus or online at MinotStateU.bncollege.com. If you have questions about purchasing or renting textbooks please call the bookstore at 701-858-3390.

7 Arrange your travel and transportation

Refer to page 5 of this booklet for more information.

8 Attend New Student Orientation

(Pre-registration required)

During Orientation, you will learn the steps to transition to Minot State and meet your new group of friends. The experience will consist of various presentations regarding policies, procedures and support services. You will also complete placement testing (if applicable), receive advising, and register for classes. Refer to Step 1 for Orientation dates and more information.

FAQ TUITION & FINANCIAL AID

How do I pay my bill?

Your bill will be found in Campus Connection under 'Finances' and 'Account Inquiry'. Accepted financial aid will begin applying to spring charges on **January 24, 2018**. Tuition, fees, room and board charges must be paid in full or students must be enrolled in the MSU Tuition Payment Plan, which allows students to pay in 3 equal monthly installments, by January 24, 2018. Payment may be made at the Business Office (2nd Floor, Administration), by phone at 701-858-3333, online through Campus Connection, or mailed to: MSU Business Office, 500 University Ave. W, Minot, ND 58707.

When do I find out if I will receive financial aid?

The Financial Aid Office begins sending financial aid award notices in late October. You may also find the amount of grants and loans under 'Financial Aid' in Campus Connection.

Can I use financial aid to pay for my books?

Students who have enrolled and have accepted financial aid through Campus Connection for the Spring 2018 semester will be allowed to charge books and supplies at the MSU Barnes & Noble Bookstore between Wednesday, January 3 and Thursday, January 18. You may also charge books to your financial aid through the Bookstore website: MinotStateU.bncollege.com.

What if the amount of financial aid I was awarded is not enough to cover all of my expenses?

You may apply for non-federal alternative education loans, your parents may apply for a Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan, or you may want to enroll in the MSU Tuition Payment Plan. Visit MinotStateU.edu/finaid or contact the Financial Aid Office at 701-858-3375 for more information.

RESIDENCE HALLS

Before you move to campus, please **confirm your residence hall reservation** by calling 701-858-3363 or 1-800-777-0750, emailing msu.housing@minotstateu.edu, or check your Campus Connection for your hall and room assignment.

What furnishings are available in a residence hall room?

Each resident is provided with the following items. Furniture in most student rooms is moveable.

- Desk and chair
- Bed and mattress
- Closet/wardrobe
- Mirror
- Wired and wireless internet connection and cable television service



Want to rent a **refrigerator**?
Visit <https://www.collegeproducts.com/store/minot/>.

Bed linens and care packages are available through www.ocm.com/min/linensponsor

What about cell phone service?

The Minot area is served by AT&T and Verizon cell phone plans. Some families have success buying pre-paid or contract program cell phones from big box stores such as Walmart and Best Buy.

Are laundry facilities available?

Washers and dryers are located in each residence hall.

How safe are the residence halls?

Student safety is a top priority at MSU. The residence halls are safe, secure and staffed around the clock. Measures we take to protect students include:

- 24/7 door security
- Campus safety and security staff
- Notifind emergency notification system
- Campus landscaping with safety in mind



Items to bring:

- Bedding set – twin xl size is recommended
- Shower supplies – including towels, toiletries and shower caddy
- Laundry bag or basket and soap
- Floor/desk fans
- TV and cable cord
- Mini fridge – max size 4.0 cubic ft.
- Computer
- Surge protector
- Single cup coffee maker



Do NOT bring:

- Weapons, firearms of any kind or look-alike-weapons
- Halogen lamps, potpourri burners, candle warmers, candles or incense
- Window A/C units or space heaters
- Microwaves, toasters, toaster ovens, hot pots, popcorn poppers or electric grill/griddles
- Items or appliances the university deems potentially dangerous or a fire hazard
- Pets
- Alcohol, drugs or tobacco products

MSU Residence Life Handbook

Read online or download at:
MinotStateU.edu/life/documents/handbook.pdf



Your new home-away-from-home...

Spring 2018 Move-in Day is **FRIDAY, JANUARY 5**

The residence halls will open at **9 A.M. (CST)**.

- If you have your room assignment, you may report directly to your residence hall.
- If you still need your room assignment, please call or report to the Residence Life Office, located in Dakota Hall on the first floor, south end. You can find their contact information on page 9.
- MSU faculty and staff will be on hand to welcome you and assist with moving your belongings into your room!

Early Arriving Students

Students that must arrive and move in before the residence halls open on January 5, 2018 will need to contact the Residence Life and Housing Office and coordinate arrangements for early check-in. Students moving in early may be responsible for an early arrival fee of \$15 per night.

RESIDENCE HALL CHECK-IN TIMES:

Thursday,
January 4
12 – 5 P.M.

Friday,
January 5
9 A.M. – 5 P.M.

3 WAYS TO GET TO MSU



If you are **DRIVING**, we suggest entering our address into any road navigation aid system for directions to campus: 500 University Ave. West, Minot, ND.



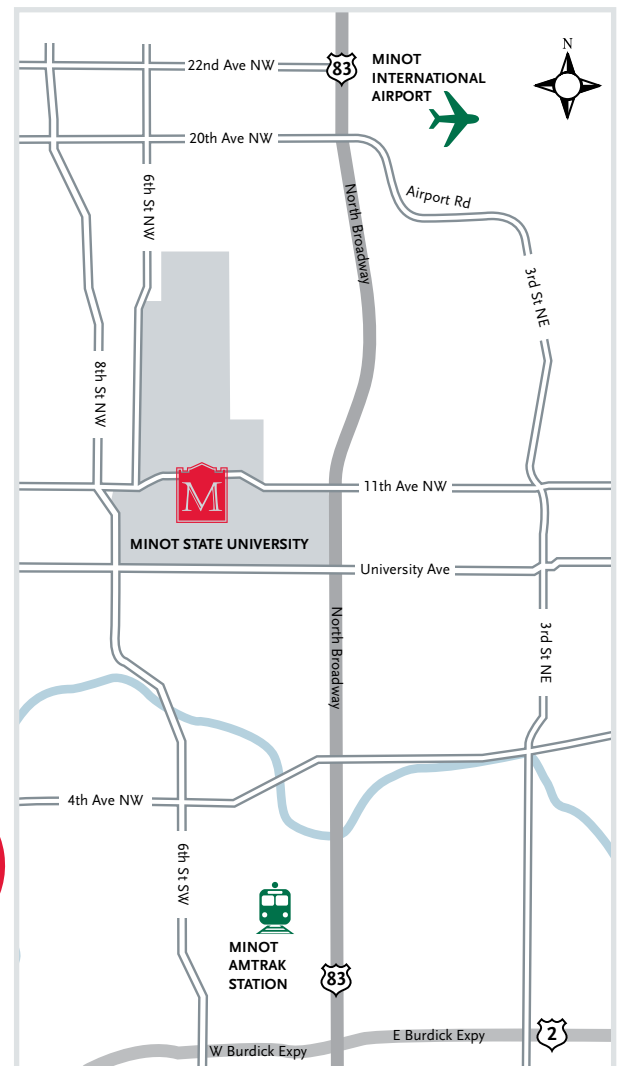
If you are planning on **AIR TRAVEL** into Minot, we have three airlines to choose from: Delta, United and Allegiant (Las Vegas, NV and Mesa, AZ). We offer free shuttle service from the airport to the MSU campus on Wednesday, January 3 and Thursday, January 4.



Minot has daily **TRAIN** service on Amtrak. We offer free shuttle service from the Amtrak depot to the MSU campus on Wednesday, January 3 and Thursday, January 4.

WE'LL SHUTTLE YOU!

Reserve your spot at AskMSU.com/shuttle.





Hotels

Several hotels in Minot offer a “Friends and Students of MSU” discount! Find a hotel using the list below and be sure to tell them you wish to receive the Friends and Students of MSU discount when you place your reservation.

	Distance from MSU	Avg. Rate Per Night	Reservations
Astoria	3 miles	\$69	701-838-5200
Candlewood Suites	4 miles	\$69.99	701-858-7700
Comfort Inn	3 miles	\$69.99	701-852-2201
Comfort Suites	4 miles	\$79-89+10% disc.	701-852-9700
Country Inn & Suites	3.2 miles	\$72-96	701-837-1900
Dakota Inn	4 miles	\$45	701-838-2700
Days Inn	4 miles	\$59.99-69.99	701-852-3646
Grand Hotel	walking distance	\$74	701-852-3161
Grand Hyatt	1 mile	\$79	701-838-7300
Hampton Inn	walking distance	\$99-119	701-838-1400
Holiday Inn Express	4 miles	\$91	701-837-1200
Holiday Inn Riverside	3 miles	\$79-89	701-852-2504
Microtel Inn & Suites	4 miles	\$79.99+10% disc.	701-839-2200
Sierra Inn	3 miles	\$55	701-837-1800
Souris Valley Suites	4 miles	\$85.99	701-858-7300
Staybridge Suites	4 miles	\$149-169	701-852-0852
Super 8 Hotel	walking distance	\$49.99-59.99	701-852-1817
Vegas Hotel	1.6 miles	\$59.99	701-839-3000

We enjoy all four seasons in Minot and you will experience all of them during the school year. We suggest waiting until you arrive in Minot to purchase winter clothing. We have many stores that carry affordable and appropriate quality winter gear. Don't forget plenty of shorts for the warmer months!

Average high/low temperatures in Minot (degrees Fahrenheit)

August	81/56
September	70/46
October	55/34
November	37/20
December	24/7
January	21/3
February	26/9
March	37/19
April	55/32
May	67/43
June	75/53
July	82/58

Car Rental

Alamo Rent-A-Car*	800-906-5555
Avis Rent-A-Car*	800-331-1212
Enterprise Rent-A-Car	701-838-3800
Hertz Rent-A-Car*	800-654-3131
National Car Rental*	800-227-7368

*Rental companies available at the Minot International Airport

Taxi Service

Central Cab	701-852-8000
Taxi 9000	701-852-9000
Premier Taxi	701-578-8328

Shopping Shuttle Service

Forget to pack something? No problem! MSU will offer free shuttle service to Dakota Square Mall and Walmart on **Monday, January 8 at 1 P.M. and 3 P.M.**



DINING

Your meal plan will begin at 5 P.M. on Friday, January 5. You will be greeted in the Beaver Creek Café on the 2nd floor in the Student Center. For information on the meal plans available go to <https://minot.sodexomyway.com>.



Know what's on the menu ahead of time! You can access weekly menus at Minot State Dining Facebook page or at the BITE by Sodexo App.



BEAVER CREEK CAFÉ

2nd floor, Student Center

Monday - Thursday: 7 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Friday: 7 A.M. - 7 P.M.

Saturday & Sunday: Brunch 11:30 A.M. - 1 P.M.
Dinner 5 P.M. - 7 P.M.

BUCKSHOTS

1st floor, Student Center

Monday - Friday: 10:30 A.M. - 2 P.M.

STARBUCKS

1st floor, Student Center

Monday - Thursday: 7 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Friday: 7 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Holiday and Summer hours can vary.



Don't forget to pick up your Student ID card!

Your Minot State ID card is your official identification as an enrolled student and will allow you to access the following campus locations:

- Dining locations (with active dining plan)
- Convenience store
- Starbucks
- Barnes and Noble bookstore
- Residence Halls
- Library
- Wellness Center
- Swimming pool

Your Student ID card also gives you free admission to Student Activities events, MSU Athletics home events, and Beaver Club Hockey games.

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Please visit the Photo ID office on the 2nd floor of the Student Center. An official driver's license, passport, military or tribal ID is required for you to get your MSU Photo ID.

Saturday, January 6 & Sunday, January 7
11 A.M. - 1 P.M. and 4 - 6 P.M.

Monday - Friday: 8 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

PARKING ON CAMPUS

If you plan to keep your vehicle on campus, you are required to have a current parking permit displayed. There are still permits available for spring semester 2018. The cost is \$65 cash or check. For the spring semester only, permits may be purchased at the Parking Office, 1st Floor, Student Center. Bring your license plate information and student ID. For regulations and a campus parking map, visit MinotStateU.edu/parking.


JANUARY 2018 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

THUR 4	7 P.M. International Student Organization Welcome Event (Residence Halls)
FRI 5	9 A.M. Residence Halls Open 5 P.M. Meal plans begin
SAT 6	8 P.M. Residence Hall Association Welcome Event (Residence Halls)
SUN 7	4 P.M. Dodgeball, Wellness Center
MON 8	WELCOME DAY 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. Welcome Day Sessions 1:30 - 3:30 P.M. Service Projects 4:30 P.M. Evening classes begin 8 P.M. Free Bowling at North Hill Bowl until 10 P.M.
TUE 9	CLASSES BEGIN 8 P.M. Grocery Bag Bingo, Beaver Dam
WED 10	8 P.M. Karaoke, Beaver Dam
THUR 11	7 P.M. Men's Club Hockey game, Maysa Arena
FRI 12	6 P.M. Women's Basketball game, MSU Dome 8 P.M. Men's Basketball game, MSU Dome 8 P.M. Men's Club Hockey game, Maysa Arena
SAT 13	4 P.M. Women's Basketball game, MSU Dome 6 P.M. Men's Basketball game, MSU Dome 7:30 P.M. Men's Club Hockey game, Maysa Arena
MON 15	<i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Campus Closed)</i> All Day One free Donut and one free Hot Chocolate at Tim Horton's (with MSU Student I.D.) TBA Free Ice Skating, Maysa Arena
TUE 16	All Day One free slice of pizza with fountain pop purchase at Spicy Pie Pizza (with MSU Student I.D.)
WED 17	7 P.M. Club Fair, Beaver Dam
TUE 23	8 P.M. Build-a-Bear, Beaver Dam



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BEAVER DAM

2nd floor, Student Center

HOURS:

**Thursday, January 4
& Friday January 5:**

8 A.M. - 10 P.M.

Saturday, January 6:
Noon - Midnight

Sunday, January 7:
10 A.M. - Midnight

Monday - Friday:
8 A.M. - Midnight

Saturday & Sunday:
11 A.M. - Midnight

BOOKSTORE

1st floor, Student Center

HOURS:

Monday - Thursday:
7:45 A.M. - 6 P.M.

Friday: 7:45 A.M. - 5 P.M.

✓ TO DO LIST

- Check your **MSU email account** regularly at <http://mail.office365.com>
- If you are in the **POWER Program**, check in with the POWER Center on the 2nd floor of the Student Center. MinotStateU.edu/power
- Get a planner and write down all **test, quiz, and project due dates**. The campus bookstore, located on the 1st floor of the Student Center, has a wide selection.
- Check your Campus Connection account to see if all your **MSU bills are paid by Wednesday, January 24**. MinotStateU.edu/cc
- Review all of your **course syllabi** daily.
- Contact your faculty advisor to set up an appointment to **plan your courses for the next semester**.
- Visit with your instructors during their office hours if you have **questions about your courses**.
- Visit the **Tutoring Center** in Old Main 101 to learn about FREE tutoring assistance. MinotStateU.edu/cetl/peer_tutoring.shtml
- Make sure you know the **last days to add or drop a course**. MinotStateU.edu/calendar
- Visit the **Gordon B. Olson Library** to check out wide variety of resources available. MinotStateU.edu/library
- Visit **Disability Services**, located in the basement of Lura Manor (south entrance), if needed. MinotStateU.edu/disability_services
- Choose a fitness routine at the **Wellness Center**. MinotStateU.edu/wellness
- Check out the programs offered by **CETL (Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning)**: First-Year Experience Learning Communities, Peer Tutoring, and Community and Campus Engagement, and Transitions. MinotStateU.edu/cetl
- Visit the **Student Health and Development Center** in the basement of Lura Manor (south entrance), to get your flu vaccination, get counseling services, or talk to a nurse about any illness you may have. MinotStateU.edu/health



So, you need 126 hours to get your degree...

Freshman.....15+15=30

Sophomore...15+15=30

Junior15+15=30

Senior15+15=30

Total =120

Wait ... that doesn't add up!

Hint: take more than 15 hours per semester or do summer school if you want to graduate in four years.



FAQ

Where can I go...

...to pay my tuition bill?

Business Office
Administration Building, 2nd floor
701-858-3333
MinotStateU.edu/busoffic

...to buy a parking permit?

Facilities Administrative Services Office
Student Center, 1st floor
701-858-3318
MinotStateU.edu/parking

...to learn more about financial aid and on-campus employment?

Financial Aid Office
Administration Building, 2nd floor
701-858-3375
MinotStateU.edu/finaid

...if I have a question about my residence hall?

Residence Life Office
Dakota Hall, 1st floor, South entrance
701-858-3363
MinotStateU.edu/life

...if I have a question about course offerings or transfer credit?

Registrar's Office
Administration Building, Room 161
701-858-3345

...if I am sick or I need immunizations?

Student Health Center
Lura Manor, lower level, South entrance
701-858-3371
MinotStateU.edu/health

...if I want to work out?

Student Wellness Center
701-858-4084
MinotStateU.edu/wellness

...if I am an F-1 or J-1 international student with questions about visa regulations?

Office of International Programs
Student Center, 1st floor
701-858-3348
MinotStateU.edu/international

...if I am a veteran?

Veterans Center
Dakota Hall, 1st Floor, North entrance
701-858-4003
MinotStateU.edu/veterans

...if I am a Native American student?

Native American Cultural Center
Student Center, 3rd floor
701-858-3365
www.MinotStateU.edu/mss/nacc.shtml

...if I need help through tutoring?

Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning (CETL)
Old Main, Room 101
701-858-3360
www.MinotStateU.edu/cetl/peer_tutoring.shtml

...if I have a question about TRiO services?

POWER Center
Student Center, 3rd floor
701-858-4047
MinotStateU.edu/power

...to get assistance with searching for a job and writing a resumé?

MSU Career Center
Student Center, 2nd floor
701-858-3362
MinotStateU.edu/careers

...if I need to mail something?

Facilities Administrative Services Office
Student Center, 1st floor atrium
701-858-3010

Other
Questions?

1-800-777-0750
AskMSU.com

Enrollment Services (#116)
 500 University Ave W
 Minot, ND 58707

SPRING SEMESTER 2018 IMPORTANT DATES	Full 16 Weeks	First 8 Weeks	Second 8 Weeks
Financial Aid may be used to charge at the bookstore	Wed., January 3 - Thur., January 18		
Classes begin after 4 p.m.	Mon., January 8	Mon., January 8	
First full day of classes	Tue., January 9	Tue., January 9	Mon., March 5
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, University Closed	Mon., January 15		
Last day to add a class	Thur., January 18	Thur., January 11	Fri., March 9
Last day to drop a class or withdraw from ALL classes and receive a 100% refund	Thur., January 18	Thur., January 11	Fri., March 9
Last day to drop a class without a "W" recorded on transcript	Thur., January 18	Thur., January 11	Fri., March 9
Financial Aid Census Date	Thur., January 18		
Financial Aid begins applying to student accounts • Excess Financial Aid distribution begins • Spring Semester fees are due	Wed., January 24		
2018-2019 Scholarship & Award deadline	February 15, 2018		
President's Day, University Closed	Mon., February 19		
Last day to withdraw from ALL classes and receive a 75% refund	Mon., February 19	Thur., January 25	Sat., March 24
Midterm Grades	Mon., March 5		
Spring Break	March 12 - 16		
Summer and fall registration for currently enrolled students	March 20 - 22		
Last day to withdraw from ALL classes and receive a 50% refund	Thurs., March 22	Wed., February 7	Wed., April 8
Easter Break (University closed Friday only)	March 30 - April 2		
Last day to drop	Fri., April 6	Fri., February 16	Fri., April 20
2018-2019 FAFSA Priority Deadline	April 15, 2018		
Final Exams	May 7 - 11	Feb. 28 - March 1	May 2 - 3
Grades must be entered by Noon	Mon., May 14	Tue., March 6	Tue., May 8
2018 Commencement — MSU Dome at 10 a.m.	Fri., May 11, 2018		