



# NEW STUDENT GUIDE

Fall 2025



Be seen. Be heard. Be you.





# Welcome to Minot State University!

Whatever you do, **save this guidebook!** It's been designed to help you transition to college life. This information will be useful every day until you graduate from Minot State.

This might seem like a lot of information — and it is! But behind every word and every page, there are people at Minot State who are here to make this the most memorable and successful time in your life. We are here for you.

This is your story, and it's up to you to stack your days. By going to class, participating in your education, and engaging in MSU life outside the classroom day after day, you will succeed. Our team is here to help you create memories for a lifetime.

## Land Acknowledgement Statement

*Minot State University gratefully acknowledges the Native Peoples on whose ancestral lands we sit. We praise the Anishinaabe and Assiniboine peoples, as well as the other sovereign nations of the northern plains whose lands encompass North Dakota today: The Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, the Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation, the Spirit Lake Nation, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, and the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate.*

*Minot State University is proud that Native people have chosen to attend our university and enrich it with their knowledge and achievements.*

*In the spirit of collaboration, we reach out to our university and regional community with programs and activities that demonstrate our commitment to the First Peoples of the northern plains.*

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# Prepare for your life at Minot State

Start with the following steps to make sure you are ready for your journey as a Minot State student!



## Sign up for class registration

All new students must attend a class registration session. Once you have been admitted to Minot State, you will receive your invitation via email with a link to sign up for class registration.

Visit [AskMSU.com/register](https://askmsu.com/register) for more information and a list of upcoming dates. The sessions are limited, so make your reservation early!



If you would like to schedule a time to take a placement test, contact the Minot State Testing Center at 701-858-3830.



## Submit final transcripts and test scores

**Freshman students:** Submit your **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 your **OFFICIAL, FINAL TRANSCRIPTS** from previous colleges and universities. *If you attended another NDUS campus, Minot State will access your official, final transcript.*

Mail official, final transcripts to:  
Minot State University  
Enrollment Services  
500 University Avenue W  
Minot, ND 58707





### Activate your NDUS accounts

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

1. Go to [MinotStateU.edu/cc](https://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!



### Apply online for housing

1. Log into your Campus Connection account at [MinotStateU.edu/cc](https://MinotStateU.edu/cc).
2. Click on Student Self-Service.
3. Click On-Campus Housing > Minot State University.
4. Read the Housing Contract.
5. Click on Housing Applications (make sure to choose the correct application).
  - Complete all information requested
  - GradGuard insurance is optional. Students are encouraged to have renters insurance. Minot State is not liable for student belongings.
  - Submit your \$100 room reservation fee. The \$100 goes towards your payment once you move in.
6. Now it is time to pack! See page 7 of this guide for a list of what to pack.

Room selection for incoming students starts Tuesday, April 15.



### Set up your Minot State email account

1. Go to [MinotStateU.edu/mail](https://MinotStateU.edu/mail).
2. Click on Office 365 Webmail.
3. Enter your name (User ID) as your email address in the format created when you claimed your Campus Connection account.  
*Example: firstname.lastname@ndus.edu (must be all lower case; sometimes a middle initial is included in the User ID)*
4. Your password for your Minot State email is the same as your Campus Connection account.

Need help? Contact the Minot State Help Desk at 701-858-4444 or visit [MinotStateU.edu/helpdesk](https://MinotStateU.edu/helpdesk).

**Log in and check your Minot State email account regularly!** All official campus announcements are sent to your Minot State email account, including information about financial aid, registration, academic advising, campus events, and more.



### Submit your immunization records

to Student Health (instructions on page 26).

### Traveling to Minot



Minot (MOT) has three **AIRLINES** to choose from:

- **Allegiant** – [allegiantair.com](https://allegiantair.com)  
(Las Vegas, NV; Mesa, AZ; Orlando, FL)
- **Delta** – [delta.com](https://delta.com)
- **United** – [united.com](https://united.com)



Minot has east/west **TRAIN** service on Amtrak – [amtrak.com](https://amtrak.com)

### After you've arrived



**CAR RENTALS** are available at the Minot International Airport. Uber and Lyft are also options for local transportation.



Several **HOTELS** offer a "Friends and Students of Minot State" discount! Scan the code or visit [AskMSU.com/lodging](https://AskMSU.com/lodging).



### Complete your Financial Obligation Agreement

in Campus Connection before registering for classes (instructions are on page 17 of this guide).

# Fall 2025 Move-in Day: **FRIDAY, AUG. 22**

### Residence hall check-in times

Friday, Aug. 22 – Sunday, Aug. 24 .....9 A.M. – 5 P.M.

Monday, Aug. 25.....10 A.M. – 2 P.M.

If you are arriving outside of those times, please contact [msu.housing@minotstateu.edu](mailto:msu.housing@minotstateu.edu) or call your assigned hall's phone number.

Cook Hall: 701-818-7257

Crane Hall: 701-818-7018

Lura Manor: 701-818-7071

McCulloch Hall: 701-818-7120

### Early arrival housing

If you need to arrive and move in before Aug. 22, you must complete the **Early Arrival Application** via Campus Connection > Self-Service > On-Campus Housing at least five days before arrival. Late sign-up fee is \$25. If a Minot State department does not require you to arrive early, you will be responsible for an early arrival fee of \$20 per day. Please contact Minot State Residence Life and Housing if you have questions about your arrival date and time.

### Applying for a housing accommodation

The Residence Life and Housing Office provides reasonable accommodations for all residents. Application instructions can be found at [AskMSU.com/housing](https://askmsu.com/housing).



**APPLY NOW**

[AskMSU.com/housing](https://askmsu.com/housing)



### Housing questions? Our staff is here to help!

Residence Life and Housing Office  
Student Center, second floor, room 221 » 701-858-3363  
[msu.housing@minotstateu.edu](mailto:msu.housing@minotstateu.edu)

[MinotStateU.edu/life](https://minotstateu.edu/life) [f](https://www.facebook.com/minotstateu) [ig](https://www.instagram.com/minotstateu) @misesureslife



### Everything included in your room contract

- ▶ **Fully furnished room** – Includes desk, chair, bed, mattress, closet, and mirror.
- ▶ **Reliable internet** – Stay connected for studying, video calls, and entertainment.
- ▶ **All utilities included** – Heat, water, and electricity—no extra costs.
- ▶ **Free laundry** – No need to pay for each load. Please use HE laundry detergent only. No PODS.
- ▶ **Regular bathroom cleaning** – Shared spaces are maintained for you.
- ▶ **Lounge and recreation areas** – Relax, study, or spend time with friends.
- ▶ **24/7 safety and support** – Secure Cardlock access, security cameras, and around-the-clock Residence Life staff.
- ▶ **24/7 campus safety and security staff** – Call 701-500-2423
- ▶ **Easy walk to class** – No need for a car or parking worries.
- ▶ **Built-in community** – Meet people and enjoy on-site events.
- ▶ **Plenty of freebies** – Giveaways, campus perks, and surprises.
- ▶ **Stay in the loop** – Events are well advertised, and friends are always around to join!





### Mail

Delivered to your residence hall and distributed to your mailbox during desk hours Monday – Friday.

Your mailing address on campus is:

*Your name*

*Minot State University*

*Name of hall and room number*

*500 University Ave W*

*Minot, ND 58707*



### Refrigerator rentals

Available through: [collegeproducts.com/store/minot/](https://collegeproducts.com/store/minot/)



### Items to bring:

- Bedding set – Twin XL
- Shower supplies – including towels, toiletries, shower caddy, shower shoes
- Laundry tote and HE detergent (no PODS)
- Room décor
- Four season clothing and winter gear
- Floor/desk fan
- Trash basket and bags
- Mini fridge – max size 4.0 cubic ft.
- School supplies – computer, phone, charger
- Surge protector
- Single cup coffee maker with no hot plate (example: Keurig)



### Items NOT to bring:

- Weapons, firearms, or look-alike-weapons
- Rubber-backed area rugs
- 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
- Laundry detergent pods
- Pets (fish, emotional support animals and service animals only)
- Alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products

## Dining



### Your meal plan will begin on Friday, Aug. 22.

Our dining program has been designed with you in mind!

### Meal plan options

All students living in the residence halls **must** choose one of the following meal plans:

**Unlimited Plan .....\$2,760/semester\***

Unlimited number of times you can swipe into the cafeteria + \$100 Dining Dollars

**Block 224.....\$2,760/semester\***

224 meals *per semester* + \$250 Dining Dollars

Students living off campus who would like to purchase a meal plan may choose one of the plans listed above or one of these commuter plans:

**Commuter Block 80.....\$885/semester\***

80 meals *per semester* + \$100 Dining Dollars

**Commuter Block 40.....\$575/semester\***

40 meals *per semester* + \$100 Dining Dollars

*\*Costs subject to change.*

### Dining locations

Dining plan meals are served in the Beaver Creek Café, located on the second floor of the Student Center.

Dining Dollars can be used to make purchases in the Beaver Creek Café, C-Store, and Starbucks (in the Beaver Dam).

Download the “Everyday” app for menus, nutrition info, and more!



### DINING HOURS

For hours of operation and more information about meal plans, visit

[minot.sodexomyway.com](https://minot.sodexomyway.com).



Dining Services Office

Student Center, first floor » 701-858-4465

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# Campus life

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## ABOUT BEAVERS

- › Beavers are hard-working, intelligent, and highly skilled.
- › They are strong.
- › They achieve success through team effort.
- › When there is a job to do, they get it done.
- › Beavers are capable of changing the environment.
- › They understand the importance of preserving natural resources.
- › They watch out for their own kind and are good neighbors to others.
- › They know how to adapt and thrive in challenging environments.
- › When something goes wrong, they immediately set out to fix it.
- › Beavers are social animals.
- › They're unfailingly loyal, have strong family ties, and enjoy having fun!





## Student ID



Your Minot State student ID card is your official identification as an enrolled student and may be used at/gives you access to:

- Beaver Creek Café (with active dining plan)
- Starbucks
- C-Store
- Residence halls
- Library
- Wellness Center
- Student Health Clinic
- Barnes & Noble campus bookstore

Your student ID also includes free admission to Student Activities events and Minot State Athletics home events.



ID cards may be requested at [AskMSU.com/PhotoID](https://askmsu.com/PhotoID) or at the Photo ID office: Student Center, second floor 701-858-3364



### Beaver Bucks

Beaver Bucks are linked to your ID card and can be purchased at the Student Center director's office or the self-serve card value center, located outside the Beaver Dam. Funds purchased at the card value center are available immediately.

Your Beaver Bucks can:

- Buy food and beverages at Beaver Creek Café, Starbucks in Beaver Dam, and the C-Store
- Pay for items and services at the Barnes & Noble campus bookstore

Unused Beaver Bucks funds roll over from year to year until you graduate.

## Campus Bookstore



**You may charge textbooks and supplies at the bookstore to your Student Account from Aug. 11 – Sept. 3.**

### Rent or buy new, used, and digital textbooks.

- **Rent** your textbooks and save an average of 50%. Highlight, take notes, and make them your own, plus we'll send reminders when they need to be returned.
- **Buy** used textbooks and save up to 25%. You can also sell us your used textbooks during finals week and get up to 50% cash back!
- Go **digital** with YUZU™ by Barnes & Noble. YUZU lets you organize and read your digital content on your iPad® and PC. Learn more at [yuzu.com/college](https://yuzu.com/college).
- We will price match [amazon.com](https://amazon.com) and [bncollege.com](https://bncollege.com).

### Buying textbooks is easy.

- **Visit us in store** – Bring your course schedule to the campus store, our staff is ready and waiting to help you!
- **Shop online** – Go to [MinotStateU.bncollege.com](https://MinotStateU.bncollege.com) and add courses into our textbook wizard. All the books you need will appear!

### We are a support system.

When you rent or buy textbooks from the Minot State bookstore, you're guaranteed:

- **The right textbook** – We work directly with your professors to get the right titles in store and online.
- **Convenience** – Rent or buy textbooks online, with FREE pick-up at the campus store.
- **Full refund** – When you return your book during the add/drop period, you will receive a full refund.



### CAMPUS BOOKSTORE HOURS

**Monday – Friday: 8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.**

**Saturday – Sunday: Closed**

**Special events/weekends: Check our website**

**Open 24/7 online: [MinotStateU.bncollege.com](https://MinotStateU.bncollege.com)**

*Hours subject to change.*

Student Center, first floor » 701-858-3390

[f/minotbookstore](https://facebook.com/minotbookstore)

[X @bncollege](https://twitter.com/bncollege)

**BARNES & NOBLE**  
COLLEGE

# Wellness Center



**Membership to the Wellness Center is included in your student fees and gives you access to:**

- A wide selection of state-of-the-art **cardiovascular and weight training equipment**.
- **Group exercise classes** in a private fitness studio. Classes include yoga, spin, boot camp, and more.
- A 35 foot **rock wall** that offers top roping and bouldering options.
- **Intramural sports** that are open to all students and range from basketball to bowling, volleyball to kickball!
- **Outdoor recreation equipment** that includes bikes, kayaks, camping gear, lawn games, and more.
- Open **gym space** and equipment for basketball, pickleball, volleyball, badminton, floor hockey, soccer, and more.



## WELLNESS CENTER HOURS

**Monday – Friday: 6 A.M. – 10 P.M.**

**Saturday: 10 A.M. – 6 P.M.**

**Sunday: Noon – 8 P.M.**

*Hours vary during holidays and breaks.*

701-858-4084 » [MinotStateU.edu/wellness](https://MinotStateU.edu/wellness)

@MinotStateWellnessCenter

@msuwellness





## Student Activities

MSU Life plans, coordinates, and hosts 100+ can't-miss events for students throughout the year! Events range from bingo, movies, and tournaments, to musicians, comedians, hypnotists, and more — a bit of everything to satisfy a wide variety of entertainment cravings! The best part? It's all FREE with your student ID!

 **100+**  
events each year

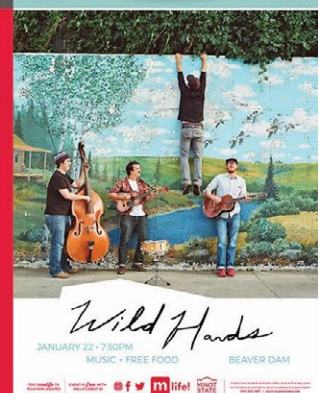
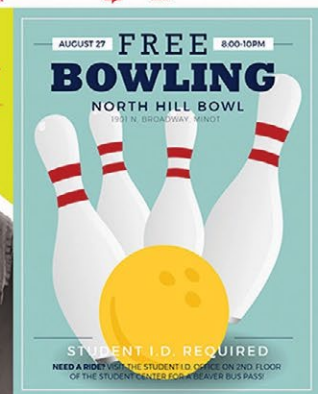
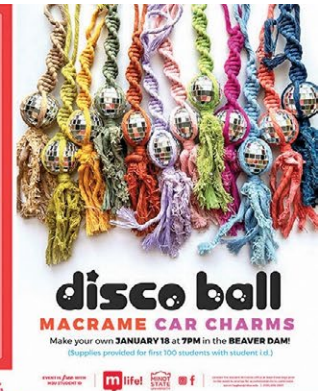
 **\$25K**  
in prizes and  
giveaways

The best way to learn about upcoming events and to win prizes is to follow MSU Life on Instagram!

 @msu\_life

[AskMSU.com/MLife](https://askmsu.com/MLife)

Student Activities Office  
Student Center, second floor » 701-858-3987



*"It is so easy to get nervous and let an unfamiliar environment with new people keep you in your shell. The best thing you can do for yourself is get involved! Join a club, go to events, and experience all that Minot State has to offer. It is the easiest way to make friendships and memories that will last forever. The more you step out of your comfort zone and try new things; the less intimidating college becomes and the more enjoyable it gets. Time flies faster than you think, so enjoy every second and immerse yourself in red and green!"*

– Sara Van Wickler, MSU Life



## First-Year Experience



The First-Year Experience (FYE) at Minot State is required for all students in their first semester or who transfer to MSU

with less than 24 semester hours. This powerful learning experience will inspire the transition to university life and learning through unique learning communities, peer mentors, and opportunities to engage with the campus and larger community.

### First-Year Learning Communities

Learning Communities are composed of two or three courses that are connected by a theme. Class sizes are small, and instructors work together to create meaningful assignments around the theme and across the courses. All learning communities include UNIV 110: First-Year Seminar which is a general education requirement for graduation.

To register for a FYE Learning Community:

1. Review the current Learning Community options at [MinotStateU.edu/FYE](https://minotstateu.edu/fye).
2. Discuss the Learning Communities with your advisor and choose the best option for you.
3. Complete the online FYE registration form.

*Note: Students must register for all courses in the Learning Community.*

## Honors Program



The Honors Program in Engagement and Scholarship (HOPES) challenges students who want a stimulating academic experience, caring faculty, collaborative learning, and creative thinking. These courses empower you to earn a concentration or minor in honors.

You will participate in lively seminar discussions, conduct independent research, participate in community service projects, create a comprehensive honors portfolio, and earn recognition for your achievements.

### Program eligibility requirements:

- High school GPA of 3.25+ **or**
- ACT score of 25+ / SAT score of 1200+

### Honors program benefits:

- Dedicated honors program advisor
- Extended library privileges
- Priority registration each semester
- Eligibility for achievement awards
- Use of Honors Center
- Membership in Honors Society, an honors student organization (optional)

[jessica.smestad@minotstateu.edu](mailto:jessica.smestad@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/honors](https://minotstateu.edu/honors)





## Looyenga Leadership Center



The Looyenga Leadership Center is dedicated to your leadership development and growth. Through courses, co-curricular programming, and engagement with community partners, you will enhance your leadership skills and competencies while at Minot State, preparing you for future success as a citizen and change agent.

### Leadership programs at Minot State:

#### Academic

- Leadership courses: LEAD 101, 201, 211, and 301
- Leadership certificate (9 credits)
- Leadership concentration (12 credits)
- Leadership minor (18 credits)

#### Co-curricular

- Leadership workshops
- Student Leader Summit
- Emerging Leaders program
- Leadership speakers
- Personal leadership coaching
- Larson Leadership Scholars
- Women's Leadership Conference

### Leadership Living Learning Community

This First-Year Experience will empower you for current and future success through involvement in leadership, citizenship, and relationship building as you create a tightknit community in Lura Manor.



Residents of the Leadership Living Learning Community will interact with successful alumni, community members, and civic leaders and participate in interactive workshops, experiential activities, and service-learning opportunities. For more information, visit [MinotStateU.edu/leadership/programs/community.shtml](https://MinotStateU.edu/leadership/programs/community.shtml).



Looyenga Leadership Center  
Old Main, Room 101 » 701-858-3129  
[james.p.sturm@minotstateu.edu](mailto:james.p.sturm@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/leadership](https://MinotStateU.edu/leadership)

## Study Abroad



Study abroad opportunities at Minot State can take you to Norway, Denmark, Sweden, England, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Costa Rica, Spain, and beyond. Choose summer, semester, or academic year programs administered by ISA, TEAN, Semester at Sea, faculty-led programs, and exchanges with international partner institutions.

### Why study abroad?

- Expand your worldview and experience other cultures
- Gain new perspective
- Earn credits toward graduation
- Enhance your resumé



### Requirements to study abroad:

- 2.50 minimum GPA
- **Sophomore status:** 24 credits must be completed at the start of the study abroad program
- **Application deadlines:**  
Fall semester: March 15  
Spring semester: Oct. 15  
Summer: March 15

Office of International Programs  
Administration, third floor » 701-858-4155  
[studyabroad@minotstateu.edu](mailto:studyabroad@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/international](https://MinotStateU.edu/international)  
f @MinotStateOfficeofInternationalPrograms  
i @minotstateinternational

## Performing Arts

Pursue your passion with a minor or concentration in music, dance and creative movement, or theatre arts.



### Music

Performance opportunities for non-majors:

- Concert Choir
- Symphony Orchestra
- Concert Band
- Jazz Ensemble

[MinotStateU.edu/music](http://MinotStateU.edu/music)



### Theatre

Whether in the spotlight or behind the scenes, there are ample opportunities to get involved in our theatre productions. You can also join the MSU Campus Players student organization.

[MinotStateU.edu/music/programs/theatre.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/music/programs/theatre.shtml)



## Fine Arts



Art minors and concentrations are great ways to explore passions and develop skills that can complement any major. Campus galleries and Art Club offer numerous ways to get involved.

Degree options for non-majors:

- Minors in art and art history
- Concentrations in art history, ceramics, drawing, graphic design, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, and traditional arts

[MinotStateU.edu/art](http://MinotStateU.edu/art)



## Professional Communication



The professional communication program provides experience valued in many careers.

Degree options for non-majors:

- Communication minor
- Concentrations in broadcasting, communication arts, journalism, public relations, media service, social media, and sportscasting

### Red & Green newspaper

The student-led print and online newspaper has opportunities for writers, editors, photographers, and more.

[MinotStateU.edu/redgreen](http://MinotStateU.edu/redgreen)

### KMSU TV and radio

Minot State's television and radio station provides opportunities to produce, create, and air weekly content, as well as the annual KMSU Auction.

[MinotStateU.edu/brdcstng](http://MinotStateU.edu/brdcstng)



# University Policies

It is your responsibility as a student to know and abide by Minot State University policies, found both in the Student Handbook and the Undergraduate Catalog.

## Student Handbook

[MinotStateU.edu/handbook](http://MinotStateU.edu/handbook)

The Student Handbook is provided to assist you in finding the information you need in order to pursue your academic career, including:

- Services available to you on campus, as well as business, financial aid, and registration information.
- Official campus policies on a variety of topics which affect you as a student. These policies are subject to change.
- The Student Government Association (SGA) Constitution, provided to help further your understanding of the governmental process and encourage your participation in the University.

## Undergraduate Catalog

[catalog.MinotStateU.edu/undergraduate](http://catalog.MinotStateU.edu/undergraduate)

This catalog has been prepared by faculty and administration to provide information to prospective and enrolled students. Topics include:

- Calendar
- Degree offerings
- Admissions
- Academic information
- Degree requirements
- Special academic programs
- Policies and procedures
- Course descriptions
- Financial information, services, and organizations

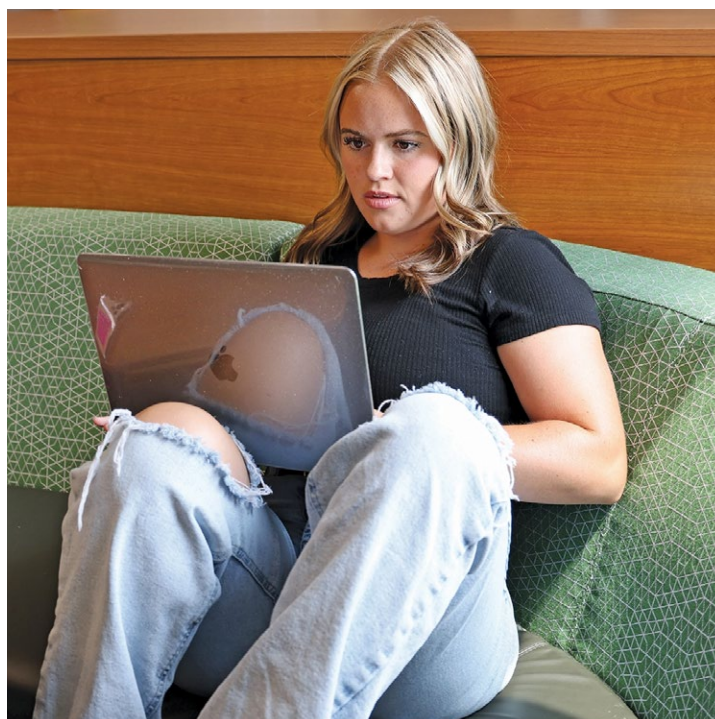
*The right is reserved to change any of the rules and regulations of the University at any time, including those relating to admission, instruction, and graduation. The right to withdraw curricula and specific courses, alter course content, change the calendar, and to add or increase fees is similarly reserved. All such changes are effective at such times as the proper authorities determine and may apply not only to prospective students but also to those who already are enrolled in the University.*

## Student Rights to Privacy

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 mandates that information contained in a student's educational records must be kept confidential. Additional FERPA information is available in the Undergraduate Catalog and online at [MinotStateU.edu/records](http://MinotStateU.edu/records).

- Examples of confidential information: class schedule, grades, and student ID number.
- Examples of directory information (NOT confidential): name, campus email, major, and dates of attendance.
- Confidential information should only be given to students in person, with proper identification, and should not be given over the telephone.
- Confidential information should not be given to the parent of any student unless he/she verifies with the Registrar's Office that the student has provided written permission.

Go to [MinotStateU.edu/records/right\\_to\\_privacy.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/records/right_to_privacy.shtml) and click on **Consent to Release Information Electronic Form** to complete the form to allow a person(s) access to your academic or financial information (e.g., your mom or dad).



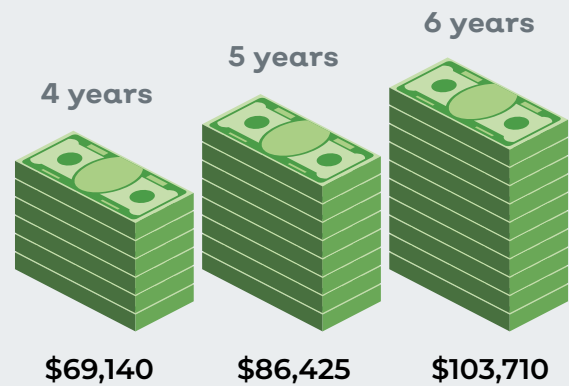
# How to pay for Minot State

## Campus Connection

Paying Tuition, Fees, Housing, and Meals  
Financial Aid

## Does graduating in four years matter? You decide.

At Minot State, you will earn the degree for the career you desire. When designing your class schedule, planning ahead can save you time and money!



### Estimated total cost of education at Minot State University\*

\*Based on 2024-25 annual rate of \$17,285:

- Tuition \$7,168
- Fees \$1,533
- Books & supplies \$1,000
- Room \$3,150
- Food \$4,434

To maintain a goal of graduating in four years, you should take an average of 15 – 16 credits each semester.

*"Don't be afraid to try out classes that interest you. College is all about expanding your knowledge of who you are and where you fit in. Just because you're majoring in a specific field doesn't mean that you can't take that art class you've always wanted to try!"*

– Brek Thompson





# Campus Connection

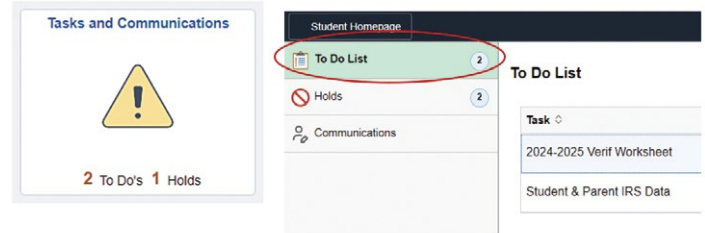


## Campus Connection is what you will use to:

- Enroll, drop, or add courses
- View your grades
- Check and accept your financial aid offer
- View your class schedule
- Order official/unofficial transcripts
- Check your student financial account, apply for housing, and make payments

## Review tasks and communications

In Campus Connection, you'll be able to see if you have any **Holds** on your account or if Financial Aid is waiting for you to complete an item on your **To Do List**. Incomplete items can delay financial aid processing and prevent class registration. Click **Tasks and Communications** to find out which office is requesting additional information.



## Log in to Campus Connection

1. Go to [MinotStateU.edu/cc](https://MinotStateU.edu/cc).
2. Click the **Campus Connection Login** link.
3. Enter your **User ID** (e.g., firstname.lastname) and **Password**.
4. Click the **Log In** button.

Campus Solutions Log In

NDUS Campus Solutions requires authentication using your NDUS identifier.

User ID

Password

I agree to the terms of the [User Agreement](#)

## Financial Obligation Agreement

The **Financial Obligation Agreement (FOA)** must be agreed upon before you can register for *each semester*.

1. Log into your **Campus Connection**.
2. Click on the **Financial Account** tile.
3. Click **Sign Fin Obligation Agreement**.
4. Select **Minot State University**.
5. Choose the effective term.
6. Read the agreement then click **Submit**.
7. Click **OK** and you are done for the current semester.



Financial Obligation Agreement

For which institution are you completing the Financial Obligation Agreement?

\*Institution

For what term are you completing the Financial Obligation Agreement?

\*Effective Term

Please note: Select the magnifying glass above in order to view a listing of terms. If there are no effective terms from which to choose, you have already accepted the Financial Obligation Agreement for all terms for which you are eligible to enroll. If you believe you should be eligible to enroll in a term, please contact the Registrar's Office.

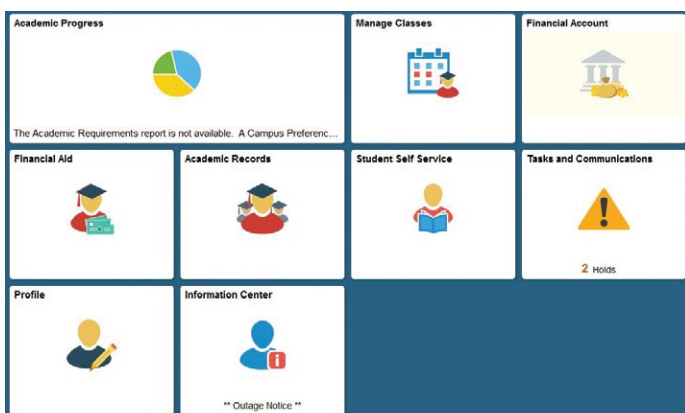


For help navigating Campus Connection, check out our how-to videos.



<https://www.MinotStateU.edu/records/how-to.shtml>

After you're logged in to Campus Connection, your default screen will be your **Student Homepage**, which includes your academic, financial, and personal information.



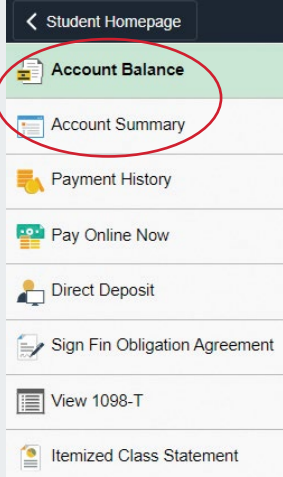
# Paying Tuition, Fees, Housing, and Meals

**Fall semester fees are due  
Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2025.**

**Paper invoices are not mailed.** Monthly bills will be available under **Financial Account > Account Balance** starting in early August.

Tuition is due by the deadline to avoid cancellation (\$150 reinstatement fee applies to be reinstated in classes if canceled).

You can easily check your balance under **Financial Account > Account Summary**.



Tuition and Fees	
Description	Item Amount
Tuition-Resident	\$3,583.80
Mandatory Student Fee	\$639.98
Mandatory Fee-Technology	\$50.00
Mandatory Fee-Connect ND	\$99.00
Mandatory Fee-NDSA	\$0.48
<b>Tuition and Fees Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,350.34</b>
Miscellaneous Fees	
Description	Item Amount
Application Fee	\$35.00
New Student Fee	\$100.00
<b>Miscellaneous Fees Subtotal</b>	<b>\$135.00</b>
<b>Charges Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,485.34</b>
Waivers	
Description	Item Amount
Academic Excellence Award	(\$312.50)
<b>Waiver Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$312.50)</b>
Financial Aid Disbursed	
Description	Item Amount
Federal Pell Grant OY	(\$3,698.00)
Federal Supplemental Grant	(\$300.00)
North Dakota State Grant	(\$1,375.00)
Hometown Pride Scholarship	(\$500.00)
<b>Financial Aid Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$5,873.00)</b>
Payments / Credits	
Description	Item Amount
App Fee Payment - Check	(\$35.00)
<b>Payments / Credits Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$35.00)</b>
Refunds	
Description	Item Amount
Refund - AP Processing	\$1,735.26
<b>Refund Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,735.26</b>
<b>2024 Fall Total</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

## Payment methods

### Online through Campus Connection

Check, Visa, Mastercard, or Discover

1. **Financial Account > Pay Online Now** (enable pop-ups).
2. Click **pay online now > Make a payment**.
3. Fill in your information. Receipts are emailed from the payment vendor.

### In person at the Business Office: M – F, 8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Administration, second floor » Cashier window

Check, Visa, Mastercard, or Discover

### By phone: Call 701-858-3330

Visa, MasterCard, or Discover

### By mail: Send checks to: MSU, Attention Business Office, 500 University Ave W, Minot, ND 58707

### International Wire Transfers: Request instructions by emailing [studentinfobusoff@minotstateu.edu](mailto:studentinfobusoff@minotstateu.edu).

## Set up an Authorized User to make a payment

This will allow someone other than the student to make payments online through Campus Connection.

1. **Financial Account > Pay Online Now**
2. Select **Authorized Users > Add Authorized User >** Enter required information.

## Other payment options

- **Payment Plan:** \$50 enrollment fee per semester  
Fall/Spring – Three equal payments  
Summer – Two equal payments
- **Third party payers:** GI Bill, National Guard, Vocational Rehabilitation, employer, etc.
- **Financial aid:** scholarships, waivers, grants, loans, work study, private loans

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR FALL 2025

**Monday, Aug. 25** – Classes after 4 P.M. begin

**Tuesday, Aug. 26** – First full day of classes

### Drops and Withdrawals – 16-week classes

- **Wednesday, Sept. 3** – Last day to drop a class or withdraw from all classes and receive a 100% refund
- **Friday, Oct. 3** – Last day to withdraw from all classes and receive a 75% refund.
- **Sunday, Nov. 2** – Last day to withdraw from all classes and receive a 50% refund.

Minot State Business Office  
Administration, second floor » 701-858-3330  
[MinotStateU.edu/busoffic](http://MinotStateU.edu/busoffic)



# Financial Aid

## Federal Financial Aid

Students are encouraged to apply for federal financial aid, which includes:

- **Federal and State Grants**  
Financial aid that generally doesn't have to be repaid — unless, for example, you withdraw from school and owe a refund.
- **Loans**  
Borrowed money that you must repay, with interest. In most cases, repayment will begin six months after you drop below half-time status (six credit hours) or complete your program.
- **Work study**  
A work program in which you earn money through campus employment to help you pay for school and cover personal expenses throughout the year.

*International and Canadian students do not qualify for federal student aid programs. Canadian loans are accepted.*

## Minot State scholarships

How to apply:

- The application is available in early December.
- Submit the scholarship application online by **Feb. 15 every year.**
- Some Minot State scholarships are based on financial need, determined by the FAFSA.
- Be aware of terms and conditions and renewal criteria.

[MinotStateU.edu/finaid/scholarships.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/finaid/scholarships.shtml)

To learn more about the types of financial aid available, visit [MinotStateU.edu/finaid](http://MinotStateU.edu/finaid) and [StudentAid.gov](http://StudentAid.gov).

### STUDENT CONSUMER INFORMATION

The Higher Education Opportunity Act requires that all United States academic institutions provide certain consumer information about the University to future and current students, including financial aid information. For your convenience, Minot State has consolidated that information on the Student Consumer Information website: [MinotStateU.edu/finaid/policies-and-consumer-information.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/finaid/policies-and-consumer-information.shtml).



## Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- › Complete the **2025-26 FAFSA** for Fall 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026 – **Available Now**
- › Complete the **2026-27 FAFSA** for Fall 2026, Spring 2027, Summer 2027 – **Available October 2025**

Apply at: [StudentAid.gov](http://StudentAid.gov)  
**Minot State School Code: 002994**  
**Minot State FAFSA Priority Funding Deadline: April 15**

By submitting the FAFSA, you maximize your eligibility for student aid programs, including:

- Federal SEOG Grant
- Federal Work Study
- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal TEACH Grant
- Federal Direct Loan programs
- ND State Grant (*ND high school graduates should apply ASAP after December for consideration*)

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If there has been a significant change in income/tax information, we encourage you to contact the Minot State financial aid office.  
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To be eligible to complete the FAFSA you must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen
- Be enrolled and fully accepted into a degree seeking program
  - New and transfer students must have **all** admission requirements completed before aid is disbursed
- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)
- Not be in default on any federal student loans
- Not owe a repayment of any grant funds previously received

# Financial Aid

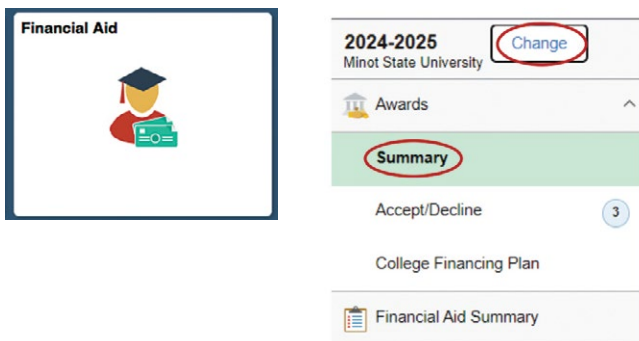


## Accept or decline your financial aid offer through Campus Connection.

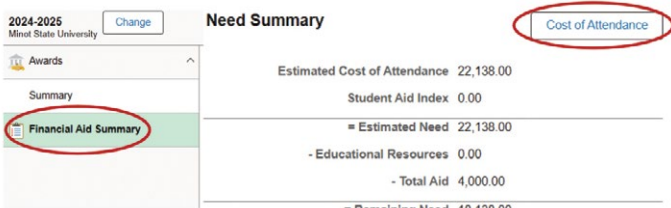
To view your financial aid offer, log in to Campus Connection at [MinotStateU.edu/cc](https://MinotStateU.edu/cc) and follow these steps.

### STEP 1 | Review financial aid notification

Go to the **Financial Aid** tile in Campus Connection and click on **Awards Summary**. Make sure the appropriate aid year is selected (2025-2026).



Under Financial Aid Summary, click on **Cost of Attendance** to see a breakdown of your tuition and fees, housing, food, books and supplies, and miscellaneous living expenses.



Keep in mind that these are **estimated costs** and not all your expenses will be paid directly to Minot State. The miscellaneous and personal expenses line provides you with estimated costs for additional living expenses, i.e. laundry detergent and toiletries. Minot State encourages you to pursue student employment opportunities rather than seek additional student loans to pay these types of costs.

Cost of Attendance

Need Summary

Estimated Family Contribution

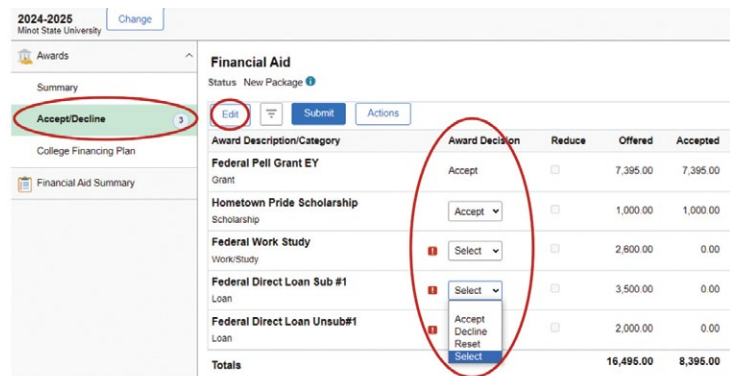
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Display Summary

Category	Amount
Books and Supplies	1,000.00
Housing and Food	8,534.00
Loan Fees	62.00
Misc Personal Expenses	2,490.00
Transportation Costs	1,350.00
Tuition and Fees	8,702.00
Total	22,138.00

### STEP 2 | Accept/Decline financial aid offer

Go to the **Financial Aid** tile in Campus Connection and click **Accept/Decline**. You may view more details about each offer by clicking on the title of the offer. Click the **edit** button to accept, decline, or reduce your financial aid offer and click **Submit**. All grants and scholarships are awarded in accepted status.



### STEP 3 | First-time borrowers

#### Federal Direct Loans

If you're accepting a Federal Direct Loan for the first time (and are enrolled in at least six credits), you must complete a Master Promissory Note and Entrance Loan Counseling through the U.S. Department of Education. To complete these sessions, go to [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov) and log in with your FSA ID.

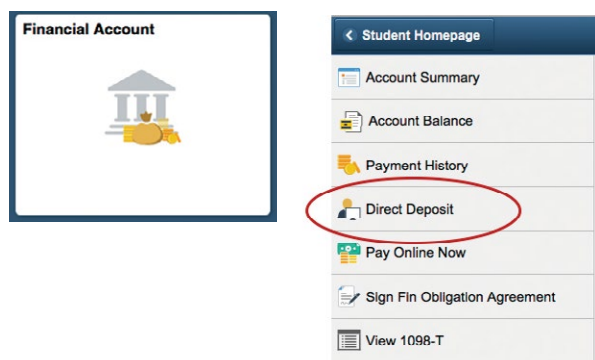
#### Federal Nursing Loans

If you are borrowing a Nursing Loan for the first time (and are enrolled in at least six credits), you will be required to complete a Loan Agreement and entrance counseling each year through the Nursing Loan servicer, Heartland ECSI. When you have accepted your Nursing Loan, Heartland ECSI will send you an email with instructions on how to complete these items.



## STEP 4 | Financial aid refund

If your financial aid total is greater than the balance you owe to Minot State, the excess aid may be direct deposited into your bank account. You can enroll in direct deposit through your Campus Connection. Click on the **Financial Account** tile and **Direct Deposit**. Refund distribution for Fall 2025 will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 10.



### My Direct Deposits

**i** You are currently not enrolled in Direct Deposit. Please click on the Enroll button to proceed.

BSC and UND Students: BankMobile (formerly Higher One) provides you with a Direct Deposit option. Please visit [RefundSelection.com](https://RefundSelection.com) to select your refund preference. Bank Account information in Campus Connection is not used for BSC nor UND refunds.

**ENROLL IN DIRECT DEPOSIT**

## STEP 5 | Other aid

It is important to notify the financial aid office by email of any other outside aid you have accepted.

Encourage your scholarship organization to mail checks early. All outside scholarship checks must be made payable to Minot State University and mailed to:

Minot State University  
Financial Aid Office  
500 University Ave W  
Minot, ND 58707

### Enrollment status

Your financial aid offer is based on your enrollment as a full-time student. If you plan to take fewer than 12 credits per semester, please notify the financial aid office to have your aid adjusted appropriately. Some aid, such as grants, will be pro-rated based on the actual number of credits in which you are enrolled at the last day to add/drop a 16-week course.



Financial Aid Office  
Administration, second floor >> 701-858-3375  
[financialaid@minotstateu.edu](mailto:financialaid@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/finaid](https://MinotStateU.edu/finaid)  
[f @MinotStateUniversityFinancialAidOffice](https://www.facebook.com/MinotStateUniversityFinancialAidOffice)

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## Academic Support Center

The **Academic Support Center**, located in the lower level of the Gordon B. Olson Library, houses several programs dedicated to student success. Learn more at [MinotStateU.edu/asc](https://minotstateu.edu/asc) and follow the ASC on Instagram: @msu\_asc.

### Academic Advising

Academic advising provides services to students in the following majors: accounting, computer information systems, entrepreneurship, finance, general studies, international business, management, marketing, pre-nursing, radiologic technology, and undeclared. The advising unit also assists all students with general advising questions and prepares advising resources for the campus.

701-858-4039 » [advising@minotstateu.edu](mailto:advising@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/advising](https://minotstateu.edu/advising)

### Access Services

Access Services provides appropriate and reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities and students with temporary medical conditions. Accommodations may include but are not limited to:

- Extended time and modified testing environment
- Alternative textbook
- Note-taking assistance
- Screen reader
- Audio recording

701-858-3372 » [access.services@minotstateu.edu](mailto:access.services@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/access\\_services](https://minotstateu.edu/access_services)

### Career Services

Career Services offers career guidance for students and alumni. Services and programs provided include:

- Career exploration
- Job search strategies: resumé/cover letter assistance and interview preparation
- Full- and part-time employment exploration
- Internship information
- Career fairs

701-858-3996 » [msujobs@minotstateu.edu](mailto:msujobs@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/careers](https://minotstateu.edu/careers)



## Peer Tutoring

Whether you are striving for an 'A' or struggling in a course, peer tutors are ready to assist you. Free tutoring services are offered for select courses and tutors are available during scheduled drop-in hours. No appointment is necessary, and there is no limit to how many times you may meet with a tutor during the subject's availability.

Peer tutors are available Monday through Friday during designated hours, beginning the second week of classes. You may also request tutoring for additional subjects. An online tutor option is available in a variety of disciplines.

701-858-3360 » [tammy.wolf@minotstateu.edu](mailto:tammy.wolf@minotstateu.edu)

View the current schedule at: [AskMSU.com/tutoring](https://askmsu.com/tutoring)



## Peer Review Sessions

Peer Review Sessions are regularly-scheduled, informal review sessions in which you learn how to integrate course content and study skills while working with other students. The sessions are facilitated by peer leaders. You have the opportunity to develop proper study skills, compare notes, discuss lessons, and go beyond the lectures to focus on content relevancy.

View the current list of courses at: [AskMSU.com/tutoring](https://askmsu.com/tutoring)

## Writing Center

Peer tutors are available for face-to-face sessions and e-tutoring for assistance with writing assignments.

701-858-3060 » [writing@minotstateu.edu](mailto:writing@minotstateu.edu)

Make an appointment: <https://minot.mywconline.com>

## TRIO Student Support Services

The goal of **TRIO** is to help you achieve academic, personal, and professional success.

### Benefits of being a TRIO student include:

- First-year student participants move in a week early and learn secrets to success at Minot State
- Academic coaches – to keep you on the right track working toward your goals
- Workshops on key topics – learning styles, study skills, stress management, and more
- Enhanced resources – study aids, workshops, mentoring, money management, stress management, and individual tutoring (if/when it's needed)
- Opportunities for educational, cultural, and historical trips

### Eligibility

To qualify for TRIO, you must be a U.S. citizen, working on your first bachelor's degree, and meet at least **ONE** of these criteria:

- You are a first-generation college student (neither parent nor guardian has received a four-year degree)
- You are income eligible
- You have a documented disability

701-858-4047 » [trio@minotstateu.edu](mailto:trio@minotstateu.edu)

[MinotStateU.edu/trio](https://MinotStateU.edu/trio)

## Starfish

Starfish is a communication tool which allows instructors to give praise or raise concerns regarding students' academic performance. If you receive an email with a concern, you are encouraged to seek assistance from your professor, academic advisor, or student success personnel. An online scheduling feature in Starfish allows you to schedule appointments with some academic advisors and other support staff.



701-858-3360 » [tammy.wolf@minotstateu.edu](mailto:tammy.wolf@minotstateu.edu)

Log into Starfish at: <https://minot.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/support/login.html>

## Native American Cultural Center



The Native American Cultural Center provides academic support services and advocacy to Native American/American Indian students, while serving as a home away from home.

The Center serves to provide awareness and sensitivity to ethnicity and culture through educational experiences for students, faculty, staff, and the surrounding communities.

The Center also houses the Native American Cultural Awareness Club, with membership open to all Minot State students.



### Student services provided

- Individual counseling
- Academic and financial advising/referrals
- Transitional problem solving
- Advocacy for student concerns
- Employment assistance and job listings
- Native American cultural events
- Liaison with tribal nations and colleges

### Amenities

- Computers and printers
- Copy machine
- Telephones/long distance
- Social center



Student Center, third floor  
701-858-3365 » [annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu](mailto:annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/mss](http://MinotStateU.edu/mss)  
f MSU - Native American Cultural Awareness Club

## Military Resource Center



The Military Resource Center has a team of dedicated staff members who provide support on the MSU campus and at the education office on Minot AFB. The Center provides guidance for Active Duty, Reserve, veterans, National Guard service members, spouses, and dependents.



### Military awareness education

- New student orientation at MAFB
- Public information announcements
- Campus celebrations and events: Veterans Week, 9/11 Remembrance Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day
- Military culture presentations

### Student services

- Private meeting space
- Computer access and the ability to scan, print, and fax documents
- Break room
- MSU Veterans Club (student organization)

### Community agency referrals

- Vet Center
- Service groups: American Legion, AMVETS, VFW, American Legion Women's Auxiliary
- Ward County Veterans' Services Office
- Military outreach

### Community involvement

- Safe Communities
- Inter-Agency
- Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee
- Veteran Stand-down Committee
- AMVETS
- ND CARES



Model Hall, Room 208  
701-858-4002 » [andy.heitkamp@minotstateu.edu](mailto:andy.heitkamp@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/veterans](http://MinotStateU.edu/veterans) f @MinotStateVeterans



## Diversity



The Minot State Diversity Council is an institutional committee of faculty, staff, and students whose mission is to promote and build a diverse and inclusive university climate by extending diversity

and inclusion awareness throughout the campus community. Their vision is to be an exemplary council that equips the campus community to support diversity and inclusion.

The Diversity Council's goals include:

- to promote and sponsor activities and events supporting diversity;
- to advocate for a diverse and inclusive campus community;
- to forward to the university president recommendations that enhance a diverse and inclusive campus.

[MinotStateU.edu/diversity](https://minotstateu.edu/diversity)

*"College is not just another layer of education, but an excellent experience for people of all ages to determine what they want to do with their lives and what kind of person they want to become. Minot State allows students to do both easily and has allowed me to grow as a person and student. The community that this school has is so amazingly unique and special that is impossible to find no one that values you."*



– Baden Gilkerson, MSU Life

## LGBTQ+ Resources



### Minot State Pride Club

MSU Campus Pride aims to create a safe space and community for LGBTQ+ students and allies. For more information email

[prideclub@minotstateu.edu](mailto:prideclub@minotstateu.edu).

[f](#) [ig](#) @msuprideclub

### On-campus housing

Residence Life and Housing supports safety and inclusivity for prospective and current LGBTQ+ students. Gender inclusive housing is an optional housing program provided in Lura Manor and Crane Hall. For housing accommodations, email [msu.housing@minotstateu.edu](mailto:msu.housing@minotstateu.edu) or call 701-858-3363.

[MinotStateU.edu/life/residence-halls/gender-inclusive-housing.shtml](https://minotstateu.edu/life/residence-halls/gender-inclusive-housing.shtml)

### Title IX

The University does not discriminate in its admissions practices (except as permitted by law), in its employment practices, or in its educational programs or activities on the basis of sex/gender. As a recipient of federal financial assistance for education activities, the University is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 to ensure that all of its education programs and activities do not discriminate on the basis of sex/gender. Sex includes sex, sex stereotypes, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, and pregnancy or parenting status.

Sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, and stalking are forms of sexual harassment, which are prohibited under Title IX and by University policy. Questions, comments, or complaints regarding gender-based harassment and or sexual harassment may be directed to the Title IX office at 701-858-3447.

[MinotStateU.edu/title9](https://minotstateu.edu/title9)

### Report a concern

If you see something, say something. We can't help you or others if we don't know. Please visit this site if you have any concerns about student life at Minot State University: [MinotStateU.edu/sa/report-a-concern.shtml](https://minotstateu.edu/sa/report-a-concern.shtml).



# Student Health Clinic and Counseling Services

## Student Health Clinic Services

[MinotStateU.edu/health](http://MinotStateU.edu/health)

- Full time registered nurse to provide basic first aid
- Partnered with Northland Health Center at 1600 2nd Ave SW, Suite 19, Minot, ND, 701-852-4600
- Each enrolled student has a \$50 credit per semester for medical services at Northland Health Center
- RN provides immunizations and tuberculosis testing on campus
- Health education/promotion programs

There is **no charge** for a **confidential, on-campus consultation** with the health care staff. You are responsible for any additional expenses for procedures, diagnostic tests, radiology, laboratory, and other fees.

## Counseling Services

[MinotStateU.edu/counseling](http://MinotStateU.edu/counseling)

- Counseling for students who are experiencing any distress that interferes with their school, work, or personal lives
- Free confidential consultation, intervention, and referral
- Counseling sessions are kept in strict confidence within legal and ethical limits



### STUDENT HEALTH CLINIC AND COUNSELING SERVICES HOURS

**Monday – Friday: 8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.**  
(open during campus breaks)

Lura Manor, lower level, south entrance

#### Three ways to make an appointment:

1. **Online** – through the student portal:  
[minotsu.medicatconnect.com](http://minotsu.medicatconnect.com)
2. **By phone** – call 701-858-3371
3. **In person** – stop by the clinic to request an appointment



### Student Health and Immunization Requirements Checklist

- ☐ You must submit proof of the following NDUS required immunizations to the Minot State Student Health Clinic:
  - o **Two** doses of MMR vaccine
  - o **One** dose of meningitis vaccine after age 16 years if you are 21 years and younger.
- ☐ Written TB (tuberculosis) questionnaire is required for all students. For questions, please call the Student Health Clinic.
- ☐ Parental Consent Form for students under 18 years of age. **We are unable to provide any service to minors at the Student Health Clinic without this form completed and submitted.**

A hold preventing registration will be placed on your student account if requirements are not met. TB testing and required vaccines are available at the Student Health Clinic. Please schedule an appointment if you have any questions.

Submit your health records and find required forms online at: [minotsu.medicatconnect.com](http://minotsu.medicatconnect.com)



*“Be open to new experiences in college —mistakes will happen, but they’re opportunities to learn and grow. Get involved in the community, try new things, and use campus resources (especially the library, which is both academically helpful and a lifesaver when you’re snackish!)”*

– Halia Aldrich



# Title IX Support and Accommodations



**Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any federally funded education program or activity.**

Minot State strongly encourages individuals who have experienced, have knowledge of, or have witnessed gender-based harassment, sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic and dating violence, stalking, sexual exploitation, or other forms of sexual and related misconduct committed by or against students, staff, or faculty to report the incident immediately to the University. Other actions prohibited by Title IX include the failure to provide equal opportunity in athletics and discrimination based on pregnancy.

The University also prohibits retaliation against any person opposing sexual harassment or participating in any investigation or complaint process internal or external to the institution.

Sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, and stalking are forms of sexual harassment, which are prohibited under Title IX and by University policy. For a complete description of Minot State's policies and procedures regarding sexual harassment, go to [MinotStateU.edu/title9](https://minotstateu.edu/title9).

## Report to Minot State

Contact the University's Title IX Coordinator by telephone, email, or in person during regular office hours; or submit an incident report online.

### Lisa Dooley, Ed.D., Title IX Coordinator

Office of Title IX, Memorial Hall, fourth floor, Room 412  
701-858-3447 » [lisa.dooley@minotstateu.edu](mailto:lisa.dooley@minotstateu.edu) » [MinotStateU.edu/title9](https://minotstateu.edu/title9)

In case of an emergency or to file a report, contact Campus Security at 701-858-HELP (4357) or the Minot Police Department at 911 or 701-852-0111.

## Confidential resources

To speak confidentially, without initiating a report or investigation, contact:

**University counseling services:** 701-858-3371

**Campus chaplain:** 701-858-4170

**Domestic Violence Crisis Center** (off campus)

24-hr Crisis Line: 701-857-2200 24-hr Rape Crisis Line: 701-857-2500



The **Prevent Sexual Violence** training must be completed annually before you can register for classes. Follow these steps to complete the online training:

1. Go to [MinotStateU.edu/title9/Prevention-Education.shtml](https://minotstateu.edu/title9/Prevention-Education.shtml).
2. Select **Student-Prevention Education** and click on **training**.
3. Log in using your **@ndus.edu** email address.

## Non-Discrimination Policy Statement

The University adheres to all federal and state civil rights laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination in public institutions of higher education.

Minot State University does not engage in discrimination or harassment against any person because of race, color, religion or creed, sex, gender, gender identity, pregnancy, national or ethnic origin, disability, age, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, veteran status, political beliefs or affiliations, or information protected by the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act ("GINA"); and complies with all federal and state non-discrimination, equal opportunity and affirmative action laws, orders and regulations, including remaining compliant and consistent with the Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. This policy on non-discrimination applies to admissions, enrollment, scholarships, loan programs, participation in University activities, employment, and access to participation in, and treatment in all University programs and activities. The University prohibits retaliation against any individual or group who exercises its rights or responsibilities protected under the provisions of state law, federal law and/or University policy. Employees or students who violate this policy may face disciplinary action up to and including separation from the University. Third parties who commit discrimination or harassment may have their relationships with the University terminated and/or their privileges of being on University premises withdrawn.

Questions, comments, or complaints regarding sexual harassment may be directed to the Title IX Office. All other forms of discrimination (e.g., race) or harassment may be directed to the Vice President for Student Affairs or the Director of Human Resources, as appropriate. Complaints may also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights.

Title IX Office - Lisa Dooley, Ed.D., Title IX Coordinator  
Office of Title IX, Memorial Hall, fourth floor, Rm. 412  
500 University Ave W, Minot, ND 58707  
701-858-3447 | [lisa.dooley@minotstateu.edu](mailto:lisa.dooley@minotstateu.edu)  
[MinotStateU.edu/title9](https://minotstateu.edu/title9)

Kevin Harmon, Vice President of Student Affairs  
500 University Ave W, Minot, ND 58707  
[kevin.harmon@minotstateu.edu](mailto:kevin.harmon@minotstateu.edu)

Sarah Abrahamson, Director  
Human Resources/Diversity/Equity/InclusionAA/EO  
500 University Ave W, Minot, ND 58707  
[hr@minotstateu.edu](mailto:hr@minotstateu.edu)

The Office for Civil Rights/Chicago  
U.S. Department of Education  
John C. Kluczynski Federal Building  
230 South Dearborn St., 37th floor, Chicago, IL 60604  
312-730-1560, FAX: 312-730-1576, TDD: 800-877-8339  
[OCR.Chicago@ed.gov](mailto:OCR.Chicago@ed.gov) | [ed.gov/ocr](https://ed.gov/ocr)



# IT Central Help Desk Guide



## HELP DESK HOURS

**Monday – Friday: 7:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.**  
(walk-ins, email, calls)

IT Central – Old Main, Room 108  
701-858-4444  
helpdesk@minotstateu.edu

**Help Ticket System:** [MinotStateU.edu/helpdesk](http://MinotStateU.edu/helpdesk)

## Help Desk services at a glance

- General hardware and software troubleshooting (includes your personal computer)
- Software installations and upgrades
- Equipment check out (computers, projectors, cameras)
- Document and photo scanning
- Color printing

## Printing

Each student is allocated 500 print copies per semester with Papercut Print Management Solutions, which has been enabled in all open access printing areas across campus. Log in using your NDUS UN and PW.

Need a color copy? Color printing is available in the Study Zone on the first floor of Old Main.

Other printer locations include:

- Old Main, first and third floors
- Gordon B. Olson Library, second floor
- Student Center, first floor atrium
- Beaver Dam, Student Center, second floor
- Cyril Moore Science Center, second floor
- Crane Hall front desk
- Cook Hall front desk
- Lura Manor front desk
- McCullough Hall front desk

## Access to online resources

- **Campus Connection:** [MinotStateU.edu/cc](http://MinotStateU.edu/cc)  
Resource for enrolling in classes, viewing schedules and grades, checking tuition and fee balances, etc.
- **Blackboard Learn:** [blackboard.ndus.edu](http://blackboard.ndus.edu)
- **Wireless internet:** Select **WLAN “MSU”** then enter your Minot State **UserID** and **password**.
- **Web space** for publishing a website and storage:  
[yourspace.MinotStateU.edu](http://yourspace.MinotStateU.edu)
- **Minot State email – Office 365:** [MinotStateU.edu/mail](http://MinotStateU.edu/mail)
- **Email address:** `userid@minotstateu.edu`  
or `userid@ndus.edu`
- **Microsoft Office365 Pro Plus:** Free download for enrolled students. Office365 ProPlus includes Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint for both PCs and Macs. For more details and installation instructions please visit [MinotStateU.edu/mail](http://MinotStateU.edu/mail), log in, and click on the Office 365 ProPlus Link.



*“Make a routine of checking your email and responding when necessary.”*

– Hadyn Schuler



## Duo Two-Factor Identification

Duo adds a second level of verification when people log into designated websites and online services. This added layer of security will help to decrease account compromises and identity theft by allowing you to use your smartphone, cell phone, tablet, or landline phone to easily confirm your login requests.

To enroll your device go to <http://duo.MinotStateU.edu>.



# Parking Information

## Permits are required to park on campus.

All vehicles parked on campus are required to display a parking permit Monday – Friday, 8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

### Student parking

Students are issued red permits and may park in any lot designated as student parking with red “S” or “S/E” signs with their red permit displayed properly.



A campus parking map showing designated lots can be found on the back cover of this guide.

### Parking permit fees

Student permits are \$65 per year. Permit sales for the academic year start mid-July. Watch your campus email, campus announcements (email), Minot State social media, and/or monitor the parking office website for the sales date.

### Citations and appeals

- Citations carry a fine.
- Citations may be appealed within 30 days.
- Appeals must be filed using an appeal form.
  - Forms can be obtained from the parking office**OR**
  - Appeals may be filed electronically using the online form; link can be found at the bottom of the page at [MinotStateU.edu/parking](http://MinotStateU.edu/parking).



### PARKING OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Student Center, first floor, main entrance  
701-858-3010  
[msu.parking@minotstateu.edu](mailto:msu.parking@minotstateu.edu)



**Parking permits must be purchased online and picked up in person at the parking office.**

When purchasing your permit online, you will need to enter the following:

- Student ID#
- License plate information
- Vehicle information: make/model/color

Online payment options are to charge your:

- Student account
- Banking institution
- Credit card

### Instructions for purchasing parking permits

1. Scan the QR code or go to [MinotStateu.edu/parking](http://MinotStateu.edu/parking) and click **Parking Portal Link** on the right.
2. Click the **Affiliated Login** button (not Guest button).
3. From the NDUS page, enter your username and password.
4. From the Account Information page, go to the **menu bar at the very top of the page**. Click on **Permits**, then **Get Permits**. *Do NOT press 'Purchase A Permit' button; this does nothing!*
5. Verify and/or add vehicle information.
6. Choose and select payment method.
7. Bring your **PRINTED EMAIL RECEIPT** to the parking office along with your **Minot State ID** to pick up your permit. *You must have a hard copy receipt to pick up your permit from the parking office.*



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## First semester to-do list

### ACADEMICS

- ☐ Introduce yourself to your professors.
- ☐ Go to class every day.
- ☐ Make an appointment to meet with your academic advisor.
- ☐ Get a planner and write down all test, quiz, and project due dates.
- ☐ Visit the Academic Support Center in the lower level of the library for peer tutoring if you need help with your studies (details on page 23).
- ☐ Study two hours for every hour you spend in class.
- ☐ To discuss accommodations for a disability, contact Access Services (details on page 22).
- ☐ Keep this guide in your backpack for easy reference!

### SOCIAL

- ☐ Follow MSU Life on Instagram (@msu\_life).
- ☐ Join one of the 50+ student clubs.
- ☐ Go to a Beaver athletics event. Find game schedules at MSUBeavers.com.
- ☐ Go to one student activity each week.

### SELF-CARE

- ☐ Take 20 minutes for yourself at the Wellness Center every day.
- ☐ Be intentional about getting enough sleep.
- ☐ Limit your caffeine intake in the afternoon.
- ☐ Be intentional about your eating habits.

### FINANCIAL CARE

- ☐ Make a plan to pay tuition and fees.
- ☐ Create a monthly budget.
- ☐ Get an on-campus job.
- ☐ If you don't have a credit or debit card, get one and pay your bills in full every month to build your credit score.



# Fall Semester 2025 Important Dates\*



View more dates and deadlines:  
[MinotStateU.edu/calendar](https://MinotStateU.edu/calendar)

	Enrolled in Full 16-Weeks Classes	Enrolled in First 8-Weeks Classes	Enrolled in Second 8-Weeks Classes
Textbooks and supplies at the bookstore may be charged to Student Account or Financial Aid	Aug. 11 – Sept. 3		
Classes begin after 4 P.M.	Monday, Aug. 25		
First full day of classes	Tuesday, Aug. 26	Monday, Aug. 25	Tuesday, Oct. 21
Labor Day, University closed	Monday, Sept. 1		
Last day to add a class	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Thursday, Aug. 28	Thursday, Oct. 23
Last day to drop a class or withdraw from ALL classes and receive a 100% refund	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Thursday, Aug. 28	Thursday, Oct. 23
Last day to drop a class without a “W” recorded on transcript	Wednesday, Sept. 3	Thursday, Aug. 28	Thursday, Oct. 23
Financial aid census date	Wednesday, Sept. 3		
Financial aid applied to student accounts	Wednesday, Sept. 10		
Excess financial aid distribution	Wednesday, Sept. 10		
Fall semester fees are due	Wednesday, Sept. 10		
2026-2027 FAFSA available	Wednesday, Oct. 1		
Last day to withdraw from ALL classes and receive a 75% refund	Friday, Oct. 3	Thursday, Sept. 11	Thursday, Nov. 6
Midterm grades	Monday, Oct. 20		
Spring registration for currently enrolled students	Oct. 28 – 30		
Last day to withdraw from ALL classes and receive a 50% refund	Sunday, Nov. 2	Wednesday, Sept. 24	Wednesday, Nov. 19
Veterans Day observed, University closed	Tuesday, Nov. 11		
Last day to drop	Friday, Nov. 14	Friday, Oct. 3	Monday, Nov. 24
Thanksgiving break (University closed Thursday only)	Nov. 26 – 28		
Final exams	Dec. 15 – 19	Oct. 16 – 17	Dec. 11 – 12
Grades must be entered by noon	Monday, Dec. 22	Tuesday, Oct. 21	Tuesday, Dec. 16
Official grades available	Monday, Dec. 29	Monday, Oct. 27	Monday, Dec. 22

\*Dates subject to change. Go to [MinotStateU.edu/onestop](https://MinotStateU.edu/onestop) for up-to-date information.

# MY SCHEDULE

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# Where to Go Quick Guide

## Paying a tuition bill

Business Office  
Administration, 2nd floor  
701-858-3330 » [MinotStateU.edu/busoffic](http://MinotStateU.edu/busoffic)

## Textbooks and supplies

Barnes & Noble Bookstore  
Student Center, 1st floor  
701-858-3390 » [MinotStateU.bncollege.com](http://MinotStateU.bncollege.com)

## Financial aid and scholarships

Financial Aid Office  
Administration Building, 2nd floor  
701-858-3375 [MinotStateU.edu/finaid](http://MinotStateU.edu/finaid)

## On-campus employment

Human Resources  
Administration, 2nd floor  
701-858-4611 » [MinotStateU.edu/hr](http://MinotStateU.edu/hr)

## Residence hall questions

Residence Life and Housing Office  
Student Center, 2nd floor, room 221  
701-858-3363 » [MinotStateU.edu/life](http://MinotStateU.edu/life)

## Course offerings or transfer credit questions

Registrar's Office  
Administration, 1st floor  
701-858-3345 » [MinotStateU.edu/records](http://MinotStateU.edu/records)

## Visa regulation information for F-1 or J-1 international students

Office of International Programs  
Administration, 3rd floor  
701-858-3348 » [MinotStateU.edu/international](http://MinotStateU.edu/international)

## Exercise, wellness programs, and intramurals

Wellness Center  
701-858-4084 » [MinotStateU.edu/wellness](http://MinotStateU.edu/wellness)

## Medical care, immunizations, and counseling

Student Health Clinic and Counseling Services  
Lura Manor, lower level, south entrance  
701-858-3371 » [MinotStateU.edu/health](http://MinotStateU.edu/health)

## Parking permit

Purchase online at [MinotStateU.edu/parking](http://MinotStateU.edu/parking)  
and pick up at the Parking Office  
Student Center, 1st floor, main entrance  
701-858-3010

## Mailing a letter or package

Minot State Mail Room  
Student Center, 1st floor, main entrance  
701-858-3010 » [MinotStateU.edu/parking/mail.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/parking/mail.shtml)

## Veteran or active duty military supports

Military Resource Center  
Model Hall, room 208  
701-858-4003 » [MinotStateU.edu/veterans](http://MinotStateU.edu/veterans)

## Native American student supports

Native American Cultural Center  
Student Center, 3rd floor  
701-858-3365 » [MinotStateU.edu/mss](http://MinotStateU.edu/mss)

## Academic help through tutoring

Tutoring Services, Academic Support Center  
Gordon B. Olson Library, lower level  
701-858-3360 » [AskMSU.com/tutoring](http://AskMSU.com/tutoring)

## TRIO Student Support Services

Academic Support Center  
Gordon B. Olson Library, lower level  
701-858-4047 » [MinotStateU.edu/trio](http://MinotStateU.edu/trio)



## One Stop student services

[MinotStateU.edu/onestop](http://MinotStateU.edu/onestop)

Get expert help in learning to manage the business of being a student in one convenient location! One Stop has everything you need to know about registration, financial aid, bill payment, student records, and veterans' benefits and resources.



# Interventions

## ACADEMIC

Academic advising	Academic Support Center	701-858-4039	Library, lower level
Peer tutoring in subject area	Academic Support Center	701-858-3360	Library, lower level
Writing skills	Writing Center	701-858-3060	Library, lower level
Study skills	Academic Support Center	701-858-3360	Library, lower level
Students with disabilities/accommodations	Academic Support Center	701-858-3372	Library, lower level
Overwhelmed by major requirements	Academic Program Director Advisor Career Services	701-858-3996	Library, lower level
Research projects, literature review	Library	701-858-3200	Library
Health/personal issues interfering with coursework	Academic Advisor		
Credit transfer	Registrar	701-858-3349	Administration, first floor

## PERSONAL

Time management	Counseling Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor
Relationships	Counseling Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor
Interpersonal problems	Counseling Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor
Adjustment to college, environment, stress	Counseling Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor
Spiritual needs, concerns, guidance	Lutheran Campus Ministries	701-858-4170	Wellness Center, second floor
Illness	Health Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor
Health records: hold/cannot register	Health Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor
Sexual misconduct	Title IX Coordinator	701-858-3447	Memorial
Food insecurity	Food Pantry	701-858-4170	Wellness Center or Academic Support Center
Bias-related incident	VP for Student Affairs and Intercollegiate Athletics	701-858-3140	Administration 365

## FINANCIAL

Payment options	Business Office	701-858-3333	Administration, second floor
Affording college, loans/grants, work-study	Financial Aid	701-858-3375	Administration, second floor
College-based employment	Human Resources	701-858-4611	Administration, second floor
Registration hold	Business Office	701-858-3328	Administration, second floor
Veteran benefits	Military Resource Center	701-858-4003	Model 208

## OTHER

Undecided about career options	Career Services	701-858-3996	Library, lower level
Technology issues	IT Central	701-858-4444	Old Main 108
Student conduct/disciplinary issues	VP of Student Affairs	701-858-3140	Administration, second floor
Housing questions/issues	Residence Life Office	701-858-3363	Student Center, second floor
Clubs and activities	Student Activities	701-858-3987	Student Center, second floor

*These are existing systems at Minot State to assist students to realize their individual and academic success. This is not meant to be a complete listing of interventions, but those that are most commonly used by Minot State students.*

## Intervention Resources

<b>ACADEMIC ADVISING</b> Academic advising · Program requirements · Academic scheduling	701-858-4039	Library, lower level
<b>ACCESS SERVICES</b> Classroom and testing accommodations · Adaptive technology Advocacy and support	701-858-3372	Library, lower level
<b>CAREER SERVICES</b> Change of career/major · Resume assistance · Job announcements On-campus employment	701-858-3996	Library, lower level
<b>COUNSELING SERVICES</b> Personal and group counseling · Relationships · Interpersonal problems Adjustment to college	701-858-3371	Lura Manor, lower level
<b>FINANCIAL AID</b> Loans/grants · Work Study	701-858-3375	Administration, second floor
<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b> Immunization records	701-858-3371	Lura Manor, lower level
<b>LIBRARY</b> Research assistance · Reserve Articles · Interlibrary loans	701-858-3200	Library
<b>LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRIES</b> Counseling and spiritual guidance · Sacramental preparation	701-858-4170	Wellness Center, second floor
<b>MILITARY RESOURCE CENTER</b> Research assistance · Academic and financial guidance Well-being support and referrals	701-858-4002	Model 208
<b>MSU LIFE</b> Student Activities · Student Government	701-858-3987	Student Center, second floor
<b>PEER TUTORING</b> Free academic tutoring	701-858-3360	Library, lower level
<b>POWER CENTER/TRIO SUPPORT SERVICES</b> Support for low-income students, first-generation students, and students with documented disabilities	701-858-4047	Library, lower level
<b>REGISTRAR</b> Transfer credit evaluation · Transcripts	701-858-3345	Administration
<b>RESIDENCE LIFE</b> Housing	701-858-3363	Student Center, second floor
<b>SODEXO</b> Food service · Dietary needs	701-858-4465	Student Center, second floor
<b>STUDENT ACCOUNTS</b> Payment schedule and options	701-858-3328	Administration, second floor
<b>TRANSFER STUDENT SPECIALIST</b> Credit transfer	701-858-3349	Registrar's Office, Administration, first floor
<b>WRITING CENTER</b> Grammar and format · Citations and documentation · Organization Thesis and focus	701-858-3060	Library, lower level

## Campus Contacts

SECURITY HOTLINE	701-500-2423	
Academic Advising	701-858-4039	Academic Support Center – Library, lower level
Academic Affairs	701-858-3310	Administration, second floor
Access Services	701-858-3372	Academic Support Center – Library, lower level
Athletics	701-858-3041	Dome
Bookstore/College Store	701-858-3390	Student Center, first floor
Business Office	701-858-3333	Administration, second floor
Campus Ministries (Lutheran)	701-858-4170	Wellness Center, second floor
Career Services	701-858-3996	Academic Support Center – Library, lower level
Cashier	701-858-3333	Administration, second floor
Counseling Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor south, lower level
Financial Aid	701-858-3375	Administration, second floor
Food Pantry	701-858-4170	Wellness Center, or Academic Support Center
Food Services	701-858-4465	Student Center, second floor
Health Services	701-858-3371	Lura Manor south, lower level
Help Desk (IT)	701-858-4444	Old Main 108
Housing	701-858-3363	Student Center, second floor
ID Cards	701-858-3364	Student Center, second floor
International Student Office	701-858-4155	Administration 362
IT Central	701-858-4444	Old Main 108
Library	701-858-3200	Library
Lost & Found	701-858-4130	Student Center Mail Room
Military Resource Center/Veterans' Services	701-858-4003	Model Hall 208
MSU Life	701-858-3987	Student Center, second floor
Native American Cultural Center	701-858-3365	Student Center 305
Operator/Information/Switchboard	701-858-3000	
Parking Office	701-858-3310	Student Center, first floor
Peer Tutoring	701-858-3360	Academic Support Center – Library, lower level
Registrar	701-858-3345	Administration 161
Security	701-500-2423	Plant South Building
Student Activities	701-858-3987	Student Center, second floor
Student Government	701-858-3383	Student Center, second floor
Testing	701-858-3830	Administration 361
Title IX Coordinator	701-858-3447	Memorial 412
TRIO Student Support Services	701-858-4047	Academic Support Center – Library, lower level
Wellness Center	701-858-4084	Wellness Center
Writing Center	701-858-3060	Library, lower level





# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

When you first arrive, it may seem that Minot State University has a language all its own. The following list is meant to help you interpret the various terms you may hear.

**Academic advising:** Process whereby students are provided with information regarding degree requirements, recommended coursework, programs of study, academic support services, and policies and procedures defining academic progress.

**Accredited:** An institution or program that has been certified as fulfilling certain standards by a national and/or regional professional association. Minot State is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, which reviews all Colleges and Universities in this geographic region. Individual academic programs may have additional accreditations.

**Add/Drop:** Formally enroll in a class (add) /remove yourself from a class (drop), after you have registered.

**Adult student:** A student who is 21 years old or older and who has been out of high school for three years or more at the time of their first college enrollment. May also be referred to as a non-traditional student.

**Advisor:** Faculty member or staff person who provides students with information concerning courses, programs of study, and other aspects of academic life.

**Articulation:** Formal agreements between colleges/universities regarding policies, course equivalencies, general education programs, etc.

**Associate degree:** An Associate of Arts or Associate of Sciences degree, awarded upon completion of a set program of study, usually done in two years (full-time), though completion time may exceed two years.

**Asynchronous:** An online class that does not require students to meet at specific times. Students can complete the material on their own schedule as long as they submit assignments according to the established due dates.

**Bachelor's degree:** A Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Bachelor of Science (B.S.), or related degree, awarded upon completion of a program of study, usually done in four years (full-time).

**Blackboard:** Online academic platform where course materials and grades are made available.

**Career planning:** The development and coordination of a student's experiences, including programs of study, extracurricular activities, and employment pursuits, to assist in the selection and planning of a vocation.

**Career Services:** The campus office which provides career exploration and counseling.

**Clinical:** Similar to an internship, a clinical involves spending a certain number of required hours working at an offsite location such as a hospital or clinic and observing and treating patients.

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**Code of Conduct:** A summary of expectations of student behavior (rules) and judicial procedures.

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**College catalog:** The publication that describes college programs, services, degrees, graduation requirements, academic policies, and courses taught throughout the year.

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**Concentration:** An option or special emphasis within a degree program.

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**Course number:** The number or letter following a course title (i.e., Biology 108). Usually, the higher the number, the higher the difficulty level.

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**Credit hours:** Units acquired for completed coursework applied toward a degree. (They often reflect the weekly time interval required for class attendance.)

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**Distance learning:** Any form of learning in which the instructor and student are geographically separate, e.g., televised or Web-based instruction.

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**Electives:** Courses that are not required but are taken by the student out of personal interest for credit.

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**Financial aid:** Financial assistance for an eligible student; available in the form of grants, loans, scholarships, and federal work-study employment.

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**Food Pantry:** The Food Pantry, part of Lutheran Campus Ministries, provides food and personal care items at no cost to students in need. Donations of non-perishable items are gladly accepted.

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**Full-time student:** A student who is enrolled in at least twelve (12) credits. Fifteen (15) credits per semester will allow more rapid progress toward degree completion or transfer.

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**FYE (First-Year Experience):** The First-Year Experience consists of two or three courses connected by a theme. The same students register for all of the connected courses to form a learning community. Some learning communities are discipline-specific, and only students majoring in that discipline can enroll, while others are open to anyone. All FYEs include the first-year seminar course, UNIV 110. It is in this course that students will interact with their peer mentors.

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**General Education:** The General Education Requirement is one of the requirements for a degree. It is a pattern of courses that all students are expected to complete regardless of their major to ensure that they have a broad, basic education.

**Grade Point Average (GPA):** A numerical indication of the final letter grades earned by a student. Hilbert College uses a four-point grading scale for both semester and cumulative grade-point averages. A grade of A is equivalent to a 4.0, a B is equivalent to a 3.0, and so on.

**Graduation honors:** Based on the cumulative undergraduate grade point average, honors at graduation are awarded as follows:

Grade Point Average	Graduation Honor
3.50	cum laude
3.75	magna cum laude
3.90	summa cum laude

Transfer students must complete at least two terms and 30 credit hours of graded coursework at Minot State to qualify for honors at graduation.

**Hold:** A flag on your account that may prevent you from registering for classes. Some reasons for holds include missing immunization records or unpaid bills.

**Hybrid:** A class that is offered partly in person and partly online.

**Incomplete:** The grade of Incomplete (I) is used when the instructor is not prepared to give a final mark for the semester, either because of the student's illness or some other justifiable delay in the completion of the course requirements.

**Intercollegiate:** Activities involving two or more colleges or universities.

**Internship:** A work experience in a position related to the academic field of preparation.

**Intramurals:** Athletic activities between and among groups on one campus.

**Lab:** A specific additional requirement of a class that often includes hands-on application of course material.

**Liberal Arts:** Programs/courses in the humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences

**Major:** The student's major field of interest and program of study, which, when combined with other requirements, leads to a degree.

**Matriculation:** The process of initially enrolling in college and participating in assessment, orientation, and advisement.

**Meal plan:** A food service contract that allows students to eat a certain number of meals per week.


**Minor:** A secondary field of study outside of the major field.

**MSU Life:** MSU Life plans, coordinates, and hosts over 100 events for Minot State University students each academic year.

**Part-time student:** A student who is enrolled in fewer than twelve (12) credits a semester.


**Pell Grant:** A non-repayable financial aid award provided by the federal government directly to an undergraduate student; formerly named Basic Educational Opportunity Grant.

**Practicum:** A practicum is considered an extension of students' classroom experience. Its purpose is observation and learning, but in a real-world work environment rather than a classroom. Practicums vary depending on the area of study, as different degrees require different levels of hands-on experience.



*"Don't be afraid to try new things, take new chances, and explore new opportunities—college is a great time to push yourself outside of your comfort zone. Focus on creating high-quality relationships with close friends who support and trust you, as these friendships will be more valuable in the long run than anything else."*

– Kyle Sandy





# Tips for Commuters

## › Check your email before you leave

Your Minot State email is the official communication method. Professors may email about delays or cancellations.

## › Pack everything you need

Unlike on-campus students, you can't easily grab forgotten items. A checklist can help ensure you have class essentials.

## › Plan your commute

Learn the best route, leave early, and allow time for parking, traffic, or weather delays.

## › Know the parking lots

Not all spots are right by your building, but some lots always have open spaces.

## › Get involved

It's easy to feel disconnected as a commuter. Join clubs, attend events, and talk to classmates to stay connected.

## › Make friends with residents

Having a friend on campus is helpful for snowstorms, late events, or inside info on-campus activities.

## › Manage your time

Staying on top of classes, studying, and assignments is key to success. Use breaks between classes to get work done or join campus activities. It'll make your day more productive and fun!

## › Use campus resources

Just because you don't live on campus doesn't mean you can't use all the resources on campus. Many helpful places are available on campus, like the Academic Support Center, Gordon B. Olson Library, dining hall, and the Beaver Dam.



## › Food options

Take advantage of campus events that offer free food, like the popular Free Soup Tuesdays! Consider a Beaver Bucks account for cashless payments at campus food locations for everyday dining. Funds roll over to the next semester, and the dining hall is a great place to meet people.

## › Bring your own snacks

Keep your car stocked with granola bars, nuts, and bottled water so you stay fueled throughout the day.

## › Pack a change of clothes

Whether for the gym, work, or evening plans, having extra clothes saves a trip home.

## › Stay connected with home

Commuting allows you to maintain your home support system but stay open to new friends, responsibilities, and perspectives.

## › Essential car items

Keep a phone charger, snacks, emergency kit, umbrella, shovel, sunglasses, and parking tag in your car. Get your permit at [MinotStateU.edu/parking/pages/permits.shtml](https://www.minotstateu.edu/parking/pages/permits.shtml).

*"The best thing you can do in college is to be open to new experiences and opportunities. As you are beginning a new chapter in your life, it's normal to feel somewhat out of place. Join clubs, attend events, and put yourself out there. It's okay not to have everything figured out right away—college is all about making mistakes and learning from them. Another important piece of advice would be to remember to balance school and social life. The key to success is knowing when you need a break and when to say no. Embrace every opportunity to grow and learn; it's all part of the journey."*

– Faith Malsom





# MINOT AREA RECOMMENDATIONS

from the Orientation Leaders

**For those who are new to North Dakota or the Minot area, and even for those from North Dakota who may be unfamiliar with all Minot has to offer, our orientation leaders have put together a collection of some of their favorite Minot area places and activities for you to explore.**

**Halia** – One of my absolute favorite places to visit is Margie's, a glass art studio with an in-store cafe and an art studio downstairs where you can paint pottery and get it cured to take home in just two weeks! It can be a day-long activity or something to pass the time with for an hour or two.

**Kaydee** – Get a YMCA membership! As a college student, you will qualify for a cheaper membership package, making it pretty affordable. The YMCA has a welcoming atmosphere and allows you to meet people that you don't go to school with and get off campus from time to time!

**Faith** – As the school year in Minot consists mostly of snow, I'll share some of my favorite places and activities to do here in the winter. Just a little over an hour's drive away from Minot is the Bottineau Winter Park, the perfect place for experienced and beginner skiers and snowboarders. While you're there, don't forget to stop at Pride Dairy, a famous North Dakota creamery! One of my favorite things is grabbing my skates and hitting up one of the many outdoor rinks throughout town. If you head to the Maysa Arena, you are welcome to rent and skate indoors. In December, get some hot chocolate and drive through Christmas in the Park, where countless light displays decorate Oak Park. Make the most of the weather!

**Jack** – Find your groove! Whether it's music, theater, sports, volunteering, trying new foods, etc., find what piques your interest and pursue it. Minot has a lot of opportunities.

**Maelyn** – As someone who loves to be active and participate in creative events, Minot has many things to offer, such as multiple beautiful parks with trails for walking, running, and even biking! These parks also contain courts for basketball, tennis, and pickleball. During those hot days, people love to go to various food trucks around the city and the craft/marketplace events. When it turns cold, Minot offers indoor activities such as bowling, mini golf, the YMCA, and ice skating. The two movie theaters stay up to date with the latest releases. Overall, Minot offers a great variety of events and things to do for all ages, no matter the season!

**Kyle** – If you're seeking fun and exciting activities in Minot, I highly recommend visiting North Hill Bowl or Shots Fired Paintball. During the colder months, the North Hill Bowl offers a fantastic indoor experience for everyone, making it the perfect choice for year-round fun. When the weather warms up, check out Shots Fired Paintball, an outdoor paintball course that provides an action-packed, thrilling experience—it's a must-try for anyone looking to add adventure to their day!



**Colby** – If you're anything like me, food is always at the top of your mind! My favorite spot for a meal and some good vibes is Ebenezer's Eatery & Irish Pub! They offer a unique and hearty menu with many intriguing options (including breakfast) that will satisfy you. Ebenezer's is located at 300 E. Central Ave. in downtown Minot and is open seven days a week from 7 A.M. to 9 P.M. Ebb's is a Minot restaurant staple everyone should try at least once!

**Jersey** – I recommend checking out downtown Minot. Our downtown has a variety of experiences, such as shopping, restaurants, mini golf, art experiences, music, and more. It is a great area to explore at any time of the day.

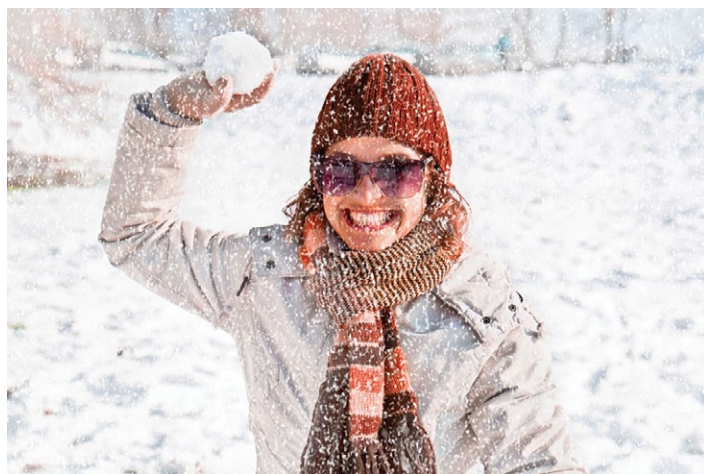
**Hadyn** – The Bottineau Winter Park is a great place to spend a weekend participating in various winter sports. The Winter Park is an hour and a half drive from Minot and a great way to take advantage of North Dakota winters. Additionally, they offer hiking trails in the off-season that are especially beautiful in the fall. While in that area, I would also encourage you to head to Mystical Horizons for a stunning sunset overlooking the North Dakota plains.

**Kerzy** – One place that I recommend as a Minot native is the Minot Family YMCA. There is a membership discount for full-time students, and it is an all-in-one facility! The YMCA has a rock-climbing wall, basketball courts, a swimming pool, a walking track, and a complete weight room.

**Brek** – Being from North Dakota, I've never minded the cold weather during the winter. However, when the temperature drops and the outdoor activities come to a lull, it can feel like there is a lack of things to go out and do. One overlooked winter activity I love participating in is ice skating and outdoor hockey. There are plenty of ice rinks around Minot, including outdoor rinks to play hockey or the downtown ice rink in Citizens Alley, where you can skate under the lights! If the temperatures get too low to skate outside, there are indoor rinks like the Maysa Arena, so I'd highly recommend finding yourself a nice (budget-friendly) pair of skates or renting a pair to have fun out on the ice!

**Payton** – In Minot, I love to visit the local coffee shops and walk around downtown. I am simple — any place where my friends and I can have a good time adventuring works for me! There is never a dull moment in the Magic City.

**Alec** – Being able to do things with friends is something that I like to do! Downtown, there is Escape Point for the competitive group to try to escape one of their great escape rooms. Or if you are looking for something a little more relaxed, you can always go to The Putt District and mini golf! There is something for everyone in Minot!





## **Favorite Things to Do and Places to Visit in Minot**

### **Outdoor Adventures and Nature**

- ☐ Berry Acres Pumpkin Patch
- ☐ Biking
- ☐ Bison Plant Trail
- ☐ Citizens Alley
- ☐ Denbigh Experimental Forest
- ☐ Fishing
- ☐ Hiking
- ☐ Ice skating
- ☐ Mystical Horizons
- ☐ Oak Park
- ☐ Old Settlers Park
- ☐ Roosevelt Park Zoo
- ☐ Theodore Roosevelt National Park
- ☐ Upper Souris National Wildlife Refuge

### **Sports and Recreation**

- ☐ Bottineau Winter Park
- ☐ Curling
- ☐ Hammond Park Tennis Courts
- ☐ High Air Ground Trampoline Park
- ☐ Maysa Arena
- ☐ Minot Minotauros (hockey)
- ☐ Minot State Beavers Athletics
- ☐ NoDak Speedway
- ☐ Rodeo
- ☐ Shots Fired Paintball
- ☐ Souris Valley Golf Course
- ☐ The Putt District
- ☐ Up Your Axe (axe throwing)
- ☐ Wellness Center
- ☐ X Golf
- ☐ YMCA

### **Arts and Culture**

- ☐ Dakota Territory Air Museum
- ☐ Minot Symphony Orchestra
- ☐ Mouse River Players (community theatre)
- ☐ MSU Summer Theatre
- ☐ Northwest Arts Center
- ☐ Railroad Museum of Minot
- ☐ Taube Museum of Art
- ☐ Western Plains Opera Company

### **Shopping and Entertainment**

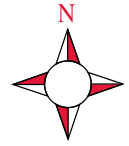
- ☐ AMC Theatres
- ☐ Dakota Square Mall
- ☐ Lucy's Amusement Park (mini golf)
- ☐ Magic City Discovery Center
- ☐ Margie's Art Glass Studio
- ☐ Minot Farmer's Market
- ☐ Norsk Høstfest (annual festival)
- ☐ North Dakota State Fairgrounds Events
- ☐ Oak Park Theater
- ☐ Pride Dairy (Bottineau)
- ☐ Tilt Studio

### **Community and Social Activities**

- ☐ Minot Public Library
- ☐ MSU Life events
- ☐ Scandinavian Heritage Park
- ☐ Tuesday Soup (community meal)
- ☐ Volunteering

For more information, visit [www.visitminot.org](http://www.visitminot.org).

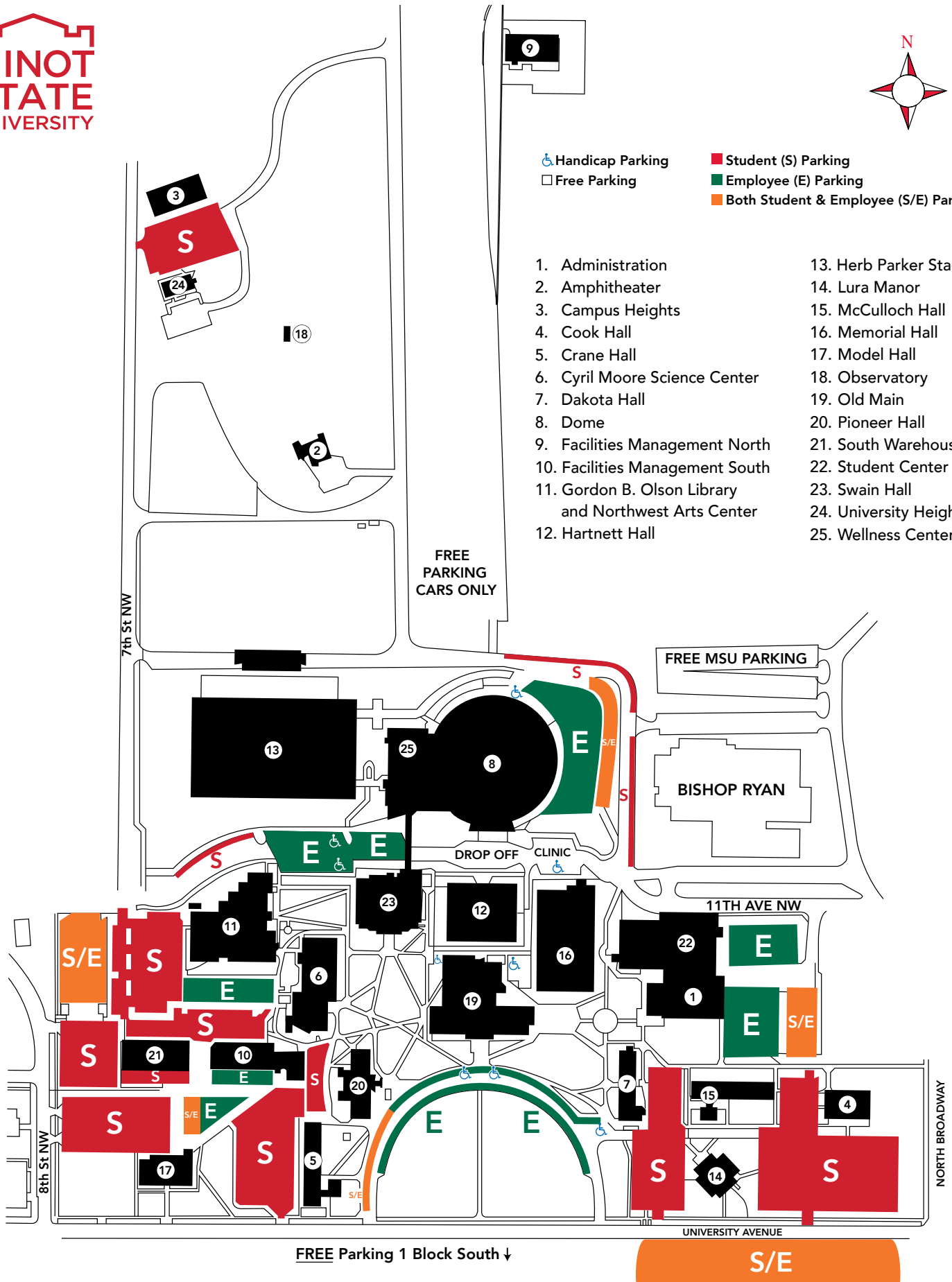
# Campus Map



- Handicap Parking
- Free Parking

- Student (S) Parking
- Employee (E) Parking
- Both Student & Employee (S/E) Parking

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| 1. Administration                                     | 13. Herb Parker Stadium |
| 2. Amphitheater                                       | 14. Lura Manor          |
| 3. Campus Heights                                     | 15. McCulloch Hall      |
| 4. Cook Hall  | 16. Memorial Hall       |
| 5. Crane Hall   | 17. Model Hall          |
| 6. Cyril Moore Science Center                         | 18. Observatory         |
| 7. Dakota Hall  | 19. Old Main            |
| 8. Dome   | 20. Pioneer Hall        |
| 9. Facilities Management North                        | 21. South Warehouse     |
| 10. Facilities Management South                       | 22. Student Center      |
| 11. Gordon B. Olson Library and Northwest Arts Center | 23. Swain Hall          |
| 12. Hartnett Hall                                     | 24. University Heights  |
|   | 25. Wellness Center     |



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