Welcome, Class of 2023!

New Student Checklist

Use this checklist to guide you through the steps to becoming a Mustang!

**BY MAY 1**

- **Pay your deposit** to secure your spot in the Class of 2023
  - [smu.edu/deposit](https://www.smu.edu/deposit)

**AFTER YOU PAY YOUR DEPOSIT**

- **Verify your personal information on my.SMU**
  - [my.smu.edu > Profile Tile > Personal Details](https://www.my.smu.edu)
- **Fill out the Parent Information Form**
  - [smu.edu/parentinfoform](https://www.smu.edu/parentinfoform)
- **Register for AARO and Mustang Corral at my.SMU**
  - [smu.edu/newstudent](https://www.my.smu.edu)
- **Check and accept your financial aid on my.SMU**
  - [my.smu.edu > Financial Aid Tile](https://www.my.smu.edu)
- **Check my.SMU for your final cost calculation and account balance**
  - [my.smu.edu > Financial Account Tile > Account Summary](https://www.my.smu.edu)
- **Begin I-20 process** Foreign passport holders only
  - [smu.edu/admission/i20](https://www.smu.edu/admission/i20)
- **Complete your housing application and license agreement**
  - This will be emailed to you two weeks after you pay your deposit.
- **Activate your SMU ID and password**
  - [smu.edu/activate](https://www.smu.edu/activate)
- **Set up your SMU email account**
  - [webmail.smu.edu](https://www.webmail.smu.edu)
- **Complete outstanding items on your “Task” list on my.SMU**
  - [my.smu.edu > Task Tile](https://www.my.smu.edu)

**DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE**

- **Complete loan processing for Federal Direct Loans, Direct PLUS (Parent) and alternative loans**
  - [smu.edu/financialaid > Types of Aid > Loans](https://www.smu.edu/financialaid)
- **Optional: Enroll in a Payment Plan** (Must sign-up by July 1 if enrolling.)
  - [smu.edu/bursar > Payment Plan Options](https://www.smu.edu/bursar)
- **Ensure your final high school transcript, dual-credit transcript, AP and IB scores are sent to SMU**
  - Send to SMU Undergraduate Admission: PO Box 750181, Dallas, TX 75275-0181
- **Find out Residential Commons assignment via SMU email**
  - [webmail.smu.edu](https://www.webmail.smu.edu) (Email will be sent at the end of June)

**DURING THE MONTH OF JULY**

- **Set up your parent(s) as an "Authorized Payer" on SMUPay**
  - [my.smu.edu > Financial Account Tile > SMUPay](https://www.my.smu.edu)
- **Find out your roommate assignment via SMU email**
  - [webmail.smu.edu](https://www.webmail.smu.edu) (Email will be sent at the end of July)
- **Set up Release of Education Records**
  - [my.smu.edu > Profile Tile > Release of Education Records](https://www.my.smu.edu)
- **Check your SMU email for other to-do items**
  - [webmail.smu.edu](https://www.webmail.smu.edu)
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**PRIOR TO ATTENDING AARO**

- Send your **health forms** to the SMU Health Center
  - [smu.edu/healthcenter > Medical > Health Requirements for All Incoming Students](smu.edu/healthcenter > Medical > Health Requirements for All Incoming Students)
- Send in proof of **meningitis vaccination**
  - [smu.edu/healthcenter > Medical > Health Requirements for All Incoming Students](smu.edu/healthcenter > Medical > Health Requirements for All Incoming Students)
- Read **Peruna Passport** *(A digital version will be available, and a copy will be mailed to your mailing address mid-June.)*
  - [smu.edu/advising > Student Advising Essentials](smu.edu/advising > Student Advising Essentials)
- Complete **student bio** online *(you will receive an email)*
  - [smu.edu/advising > Pre-Orientation Student Bio](smu.edu/advising > Pre-Orientation Student Bio)
- View **advising video tutorials**
  - [smu.edu/advising > Student Advising Essentials > 60 Sec. Advisor Videos](smu.edu/advising > Student Advising Essentials > 60 Sec. Advisor Videos)
- Complete the **academic honesty tutorial**
  - [smu.edu/honorcouncil > Academic Honesty Tutorial & Quiz](smu.edu/honorcouncil > Academic Honesty Tutorial & Quiz)
- Complete **Math and World Language Placements**
  - [smu.edu/canvas](smu.edu/canvas)
- Check your **SMU email** for other to-do items
  - [webmail.smu.edu](webmail.smu.edu)

**DURING THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST**

- Attend **AARO** and enroll in classes
  - [smu.edu/newstudent > AARO](smu.edu/newstudent > AARO)
- Begin **SMU Reads** *(You will receive this at AARO.)*
  - [smu.edu/SMUreads](smu.edu/SMUreads)

**AUGUST**

- Attend **Mustang Corral**
  - [smu.edu/newstudent > Mustang Corral](smu.edu/newstudent > Mustang Corral)

**AFTER ENROLLING IN YOUR CLASSES**

- Waive **SMU Student Health Insurance Plan** if you have acceptable alternate coverage
  - [smu.edu/healthcenter > Insurance, Fees & Forms > Mandatory Health Insurance](smu.edu/healthcenter > Insurance, Fees & Forms > Mandatory Health Insurance)

**PRIOR TO ARRIVING ON CAMPUS IN THE FALL**

- **Pay your bill** with the Bursar’s Office *(All accounts must be up-to-date before you attend class in the fall.)*
  - [smu.edu/bursar > Payments](smu.edu/bursar > Payments)
- **Request any necessary accommodations** through the Office of Disability Accommodations and Success Strategies
  - [smu.edu/alec > Disability Accommodations and Success Strategies](smu.edu/alec > Disability Accommodations and Success Strategies)
- Read **Student Handbook** and **Residence Hall Community Standards** *(Updated version available July 1.)*
  - [smu.edu/housing > Current Residents > eHandbook](smu.edu/housing > Current Residents > eHandbook)
- Register for or waive your **parking permit** and put it on your vehicle
  - [parking.smu.edu > Parking Services > Parking Portal Account](parking.smu.edu > Parking Services > Parking Portal Account)
- Check your **SMU email** for your **mailbox number**
  - [This will be sent to your SMU email address in late July.](webmail.smu.edu)
- Read **Fire Safety Guidelines** *(Updated Version Available July 1.)*
  - [This will be sent to your SMU email address in late July.](smu.edu/housing > Current Residents > Fire Safety)
- Call or email your **roommate**
  - [Information will be sent to you in August.](smu.edu/mailcopycentral > Postal Services)
- **Mail your boxes** to your PO Box on campus *(Beginning in August. You will receive more information in late July.)*
  - [smu.edu/mailcopycentral > Postal Services](smu.edu/mailcopycentral > Postal Services)
- Check your **SMU email** for other to-do items
  - [webmail.smu.edu](webmail.smu.edu)

**WHEN YOU ARRIVE ON CAMPUS**

- Update your **local address on my.SMU**
  - [my.smu.edu > Profile Tile > Personal Details](my.smu.edu > Profile Tile > Personal Details)

**Questions? Need info?**

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