

START 2019 Fact Sheet

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Please do not share the direct line or cell phone numbers with students/family members (only share the general number on the black line)

Note: If it is a program day, NSPFO staff will most likely not be available to answer a cell phone immediately because we are usually in a presentation or with a participant. Texting is preferred, but if you need to call, please expect a delay and we will return your call as soon as we can step away.

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Change of Major for all programs

Change of Major forms will be completed during check-in. UESP will be tracking changes on a spreadsheet in a Box folder and will send notice to designated college representatives when complete. For Day 1 of first year sessions, the notice will go out shortly after the table closes at 12:45, and for transfer sessions, shortly after 9:00 am. UESP will also manage a Day 2 Change of Major Table at first year sessions and will send out major change spreadsheet shortly after 9:00 a.m. UESP will coordinate with colleges as to where to direct students who change majors on Day 2.

Academic Presentation

A START leader(s) will escort your group to/from the college presentation for first-year START, and a Transfer Ambassador will escort for transfer START. For first-year START, it is very important that academic presentations end promptly at 5:30 p.m. We also ask that you not end extremely early; if you find you are ending early, then I would encourage you to have additional content or an activity you could do until 5:30. The gameshow and dinner that follow presentations does not open until 5:30, so people are left standing outside waiting if you end early and they become quite frustrated.

Language Assessment

The language assessment test will be conducted online prior to the student's arrival to START. Helen Wilhelm (541-737-2146) is the contact for this information. Second language placement testing will not be offered during START.

Math Assessment

Will be done online prior to attending START. If you have questions regarding Math Placement/ ALEKS or scoring please contact mathplacement@math.oregonstate.edu or 7-5170.

NSPFO will be sending reminders and calling first-year students who have not completed the ALEKS prior to their START session. If a student has not completed ALEKS by their START session, it will be up to the colleges determine when and how the student will complete it. Many colleges communicated that the students would take it in the morning of Day 2, thus delaying their advising or course registration until later in day. There are no computers in the residence hall we are staying in, so please do NOT direct them to take in the residence hall. We do not require students to bring a laptop to START.

ID Card Pick Up

After a student has completed their class registration at first-year or transfer START, they should be directed to go back to the MU Main Lounge to check out from the program, after which point they will be sent to pick up their OSU ID card.

Advising Times

First Year Programs: This earliest advising can begin on Day 2 is 10:30 a.m. on first-year sessions. This also means any required waiting time cannot begin before 10:30, so if you have advising appointments and require students to show up early, please include this early/wait time in your scheduling. We have some presentations that run until 10:30, and it is important that a student attend the entire presentation.

Transfer Programs: Transfer students are offered a lunch as part of their program, and some colleges are providing lunch as part of their college presentation. The lunch time takes place from 11:45-12:30. For colleges not providing lunch, a Transfer Ambassador will be waiting outside your presentation room at 11:30 to escort your students/families back to the MU for lunch. Please do not begin advising before 12:30, so that students/families have time to walk to the MU, eat and walk back to your advising location. This also means any required waiting time cannot begin before 12:30, so if you have advising appointments and require students to show up early, please include this early/wait time in your scheduling.

Parent/Family Programs

First-Year Programs: All parent/family members have sessions on Day 1 from 1:00-4:30 p.m. and Day 2 from 9:30-12:15 p.m. They will cover topics like transitions, family resources, relevant student services, housing/dining information and supporting your student academically. We ask that you not offer conflicting parent/family programming.

Transfer Programs:

The family program will be from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in MU Horizon Room. This means that you will see both parent and family members during your academic presentation.