



STUDENT SUCCESS SCOOP

SEPTEMBER 2024

Old Main 1070

learn. grow. lead.



Hail State

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Attendance plays a key role in your academic success, so make sure you're in class and actively participating. Don't forget to scan in each time to ensure you get credit for being present—it's an easy way to track your progress and stay accountable. Regular attendance helps you stay engaged, understand the material better, and sets you up for academic success at MSU!

ACADEMIC CONCERNS?

If you're facing academic challenges, meeting with your advisor early in the semester can make all the difference. They can connect you with resources like tutoring, supplemental instruction, and study tips tailored to your needs. Addressing concerns early helps you stay on track and ensures you have the support to succeed throughout the semester.

THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

Meet new people in class. Attend different events on campus. Take advantage of opportunities to get out of your comfort zone. Thinking outside the box opens up new possibilities and creative solutions that can set you apart in your academic journey. By challenging the usual ways of doing things, you can discover innovative approaches to problem-solving and learning!

LOOKING AHEAD

OCTOBER 2

First Progress Grades
available on your class schedule in banner

OCTOBER 10-11

Fall Break
no classes - campus remains open

OCTOBER 14

Last day to drop a course with a W grade
5pm deadline - contact your advisor first

DOWNLOAD PENJI

get free tutoring

ATTEND SI SESSIONS

VIEW THE SCHEDULE AT SI.MSSTATE.EDU

BEFORE YOU DROP A CLASS...

It's important to consider how it might affect your progress toward graduation, financial aid, or scholarship requirements. Talk to your advisor to understand the academic and financial implications, and explore options like tutoring or extra support before making a decision. Dropping a class can sometimes be the right move, but it's key to weigh all factors carefully to avoid any potential setbacks.

success tips

- TALK TO YOUR ADVISOR
- ATTEND TUTORING OR SI
- VISIT YOUR PROFESSOR'S OFFICE HOURS
- CHECK YOUR FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS

NEED TO GET ORGANIZED?
COME GET A FREE MSU PLANNER!

COME SEE US IN
OLD MAIN 1070
no appointment needed



COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE

College has a language of it's own .. **HERE'S A FEW COMMON TERMS!**

CANVAS

The online course management system used by MSU. You can access Canvas through the home page of your myState. You will find information related to your class assignments, announcements, and discussion boards here.

COWBELL CONNECT

The online platform that lets you view events going on all over campus. You can discover unique opportunities on campus, find events, and browse organizations.

Satellite Hours

Make the most of satellite hours every week with our campus partners to get your questions answered and ease into college life. It's a relaxed way to connect with helpful resources and get the info you need to succeed. Start your college journey on the right foot by tapping into these opportunities early on.

Offices Visiting Old Main 1070 in Fall 2024

contact your advisor for days and times

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| THE WRITING CENTER | FINANCIAL AID |
| MSU LIBRARY | MONEY MATTERS |
| INVOLVEMENT | CAREER CENTER |
| AMBASSADORS | ACCESS AND SUCCESS |
| HOUSING | |
| DINING | |

CONNECT WITH YOUR NAVIGATOR

Freshman Year Navigators are MSU students who are assigned a group of incoming freshmen each fall and works to help those students navigate through their first year.

You will receive emails and text messages from your Navigator to make sure you are successful and you are finding resources on campus. Reach out to your navigator with any questions or concerns you may have!

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

A department or college-based faculty or staff member who meets with students each semester to help make decisions about courses and is a resource for navigating college.

OFFICE HOURS

The time set aside by professors and instructors to meet with their students and answer questions. You can usually find a professor's office on their syllabus.

FIND YOUR FIT!

Get the ultimate Mississippi State experience.

Whether through clubs, organizations, or campus events, getting involved helps you build connections, discover your passions, and develop new skills. Plus, it's a great way to feel more at home on campus and make lasting memories!

involvement opportunities

- COWBELL CONNECT
- MAROON VOLUNTEER CENTER
- HOLMES CULTURAL DIVERSITY CENTER
- SANDERSON CENTER
- INTRAMURAL SPORTS
- CLUB SPORTS



what can you do with your navigator?

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| EAT LUNCH TOGETHER | LEARN SUCCESS TIPS |
| ATTEND CAMPUS EVENTS | GET HELP GETTING INVOLVED |
| TIME MANAGEMENT PLANS | REACH OUT WITH QUESTIONS |



STAY CONNECTED!

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