NSRO 2015
NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION
AND ORIENTATION
THIS GUIDE IS YOUR MOST IMPORTANT STEP TO GETTING STARTED AT MIZZOU.
Feel free to offer your advice and wisdom, but encourage your student to take charge in completing the online NSRO form. Emphasize the importance of meeting key deadlines, and help select Summer Welcome session dates. Summer Welcome includes programs specifically designed for you, too.

If you already have a student at Mizzou, you’re still invited to attend Summer Welcome, as some university policies may change each year. However, if you aren’t able to attend, we hope you’ll encourage your student to maximize his or her time at Summer Welcome. The Mizzou experience is different for every student, even those who have siblings already here.

OFFICE OF PARENT RELATIONS
College is the time for students to become self-sufficient adults — and for parents to become enthusiastic coaches. The Office of Parent Relations exists to keep you connected. In addition to answering your questions, the office hosts events, plans programs and provides resources and services just for Mizzou families.

mizzouparents.missouri.edu
Hey There, Future Tiger. This is the moment you’ve been waiting for. In your paws you hold the booklet that will guide you through your New Student Registration and Orientation form (we call it the NSRO, pronounced “niz-row”), which you’ll complete online.

By taking the initiative here, you’ll launch an exciting and fulfilling college career at Mizzou. Be sure to read through each section of this guide and complete the application yourself. That way your application will correctly reflect your choices. Your future begins now!

This Brochure Helps You:

• Reserve your spot at Summer Welcome (Mizzou’s orientation, advisement and registration program for new students);
• Indicate preferences for some of your fall classes;
• Express interest for university activities such as Marching Mizzou, the Chancellor’s Leadership Class and Greek Life.

A Few Tips for Using This Guide:
Share this information with your parents or guardians, and seek their advice, especially as it pertains to requesting Summer Welcome session dates. Then you’ll be ready to complete your online NSRO form at newstudent.missouri.edu and make choices that meet your needs and interests as you embark on your college career. Don’t wait; the priority deadline is March 25.

Complete your NSRO form online at newstudent.missouri.edu.

NSRO Checklist

1. Read This Guide.
   It will save you time by providing the information you’ll need when completing the online NSRO form.

2. Check Out Summer Welcome Dates.
   Consult with your parents about which dates work best for you and your family (Page 4).

3. Pay Your $300 Enrollment Fee.
   Have a credit card or checking account information (for e-check) ready to reserve your place in the 2015 freshman class.

4. Complete Your NSRO Form Online.
   The information you provide will affect your experiences during your first year at Mizzou.

5. Take the Math Placement Exam.
   Visit mathplacement.missouri.edu for information about the online ALEKS Math Placement Exam (Page 11).
THE SUMMER WELCOME EXPERIENCE

THINK YOU’RE EXCITED ABOUT MIZZOU NOW? Just wait until Summer Welcome — Mizzou’s advising, registration and orientation program. We can’t wait to show you around our place.

You’ll meet individually with an academic adviser from your intended major and complete your fall 2015 course schedule. In addition, you’ll have a chance to meet new and returning students and to interact with faculty and staff. It’s also an opportunity for your parents and family members to explore what will soon be your home away from home.

Mizzou offers 25 Summer Welcome sessions. You will rank your top five session choices on your NSRO form. The sessions are identical and will give you an early look at the people, services and events that make Mizzou a dynamic learning environment.

SUMMER WELCOME AT A GLANCE

FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

During your two-day Summer Welcome experience, you’ll be matched with a Summer Welcome leader, your host during your campus visit. Summer Welcome leaders are current Mizzou students who will offer support, guidance and advice from the perspective of a college student.

PARENTS AND GUESTS

At Mizzou, we recognize that families are in transition when students journey to college. Orientation to university life is important to help parents and other family members understand and support their new students. In an effort to provide parents and guests with specific information about the university and the campus resources available to new students, a specially tailored parent program will be provided for your parents and guests who attend Summer Welcome.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT

Each session can accommodate a limited number of people, so your immediate response is necessary to reserve your spot. If you have not paid the required $300 enrollment fee, you must submit it with your completed NSRO form (see instructions on Page 8). Once we have received your form and enrollment fee, we will assign you to a Summer Welcome session based on the availability of your ranked preferences. Accommodations and assistance are available for people with disabilities. Please notify the Summer Welcome office of any needs.
FEES FOR SUMMER WELCOME

STUDENTS

PARTICIPATION FEE
The $300 enrollment fee — which you might have paid earlier, or which you may pay as part of the NSRO process — provides for materials, four meals, refreshments, social activities and the services of the Summer Welcome leaders during your two-day Summer Welcome orientation, plus a five-day Fall Welcome program that begins Aug. 19.

HOUSING DURING SUMMER WELCOME
Summer Welcome housing is provided for all students in an air-conditioned campus residence hall for $24 per night. If you are traveling a long distance, extra nights of housing are available. The overnight stay during this two-day program provides students with a chance to meet other students after the day’s official activities have ended.

During Summer Welcome, you will share a room with another first-year student who will be living in the same residence area as you. If your actual roommate for the fall happens to be attending the same session, you will share a room during your Summer Welcome visit. You may also request a roommate attending the same session by completing the appropriate box on the online reservation form.

In addition to meeting other new students with whom you will be living once school starts, you also will meet Summer Welcome leaders staying on your floor. This will give you further opportunities to ask questions about the campus in the informal setting of the residence hall.

Past Summer Welcome participants have reported their overnight stay to be one of the most important and memorable experiences during their visit.

PARENTS AND GUESTS

ORIENTATION FEE
Every parent and guest over age 18 must pay a $22 orientation fee. This fee covers breakfast when you arrive on Day One, social activities and all orientation publications. Due to capacity limitations, we encourage students to limit guests to two people. If family circumstances require more than two guests, please contact the Office of New Student Programs at 573-884-9868.

MEALS
The orientation fee does not include meals or campus housing. Parents and guests may purchase, in advance, a $30 four-meal plan to eat with their student throughout Summer Welcome. Parents and guests may also purchase individual meals upon arrival.

HOUSING
Mizzou has a limited number of parent and guest rooms available (two beds per room). On a first-requested, first-served basis, these rooms will be assigned to parents and guests at the rate of $30 per person. They are suite-style with a bathroom shared by up to four guests.

Parents and guests attending alone will be assigned a roommate of the same sex. When all rooms have been filled, we will notify parents and guests in the Summer Welcome confirmation letter.

SUMMER WELCOME CONFIRMATION/CANCELLATION

Once your NSRO form has been processed, we will mail you a confirmation letter. The letter contains important information regarding the Summer Welcome program, including what you need to bring, how family members can make hotel reservations, where to park on campus and other details about visiting Columbia.

Summer Welcome cancellations must be received at least three business days before the check-in time of your scheduled session to qualify for a refund. All refunds will be issued after July 31 in the student’s name.

Your $300 enrollment fee is fully refundable upon request until May 1. To cancel your admission to Mizzou and receive a refund, visit cancel.missouri.edu.

CHECK IT OUT!
For only $12 you can order your first Mizzou shirt online at newstudent.missouri.edu. You will receive your 100 percent cotton shirt(s) during your Summer Welcome visit.
**SUMMER WELCOME SESSIONS**

1. **Tuesday–Wednesday**  
   June 9–10
2. **Wednesday–Thursday**  
   June 10–11
3. **Thursday–Friday**  
   June 11–12
4. **Sunday–Monday**  
   June 14–15
5. **Monday–Tuesday**  
   June 15–16
6. **Tuesday–Wednesday**  
   June 16–17
7. **Wednesday–Thursday**  
   June 17–18
8. **Thursday–Friday**  
   June 18–19
9. **Sunday–Monday**  
   June 21–22
10. **Monday–Tuesday**  
    June 22–23
11. **Tuesday–Wednesday**  
    June 23–24
12. **Wednesday–Thursday**  
    June 24–25
13. **Thursday–Friday**  
    June 25–26
14. **Sunday–Monday**  
    June 28–29
15. **Monday–Tuesday**  
    June 29–30
16. **Tuesday–Wednesday**  
    June 30–July 1
17. **Sunday–Monday**  
    July 5–6
18. **Monday–Tuesday**  
    July 6–7
19. **Tuesday–Wednesday**  
    July 7–8
20. **Wednesday–Thursday**  
    July 8–9
21. **Thursday–Friday**  
    July 9–10
22. **Sunday–Monday**  
    July 12–13
23. **Monday–Tuesday**  
    July 13–14
24. **Tuesday–Wednesday**  
    July 14–15
25. **Wednesday–Thursday**  
    July 15–16

* Students in the College of Human Environmental Sciences should not choose these sessions.

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**ROAD TRIP!**

**DAY ONE**

Begin planning your Columbia visit when you receive your confirmation letter. All 25 Summer Welcome sessions span two days. Most students and families who live within four driving hours of Columbia leave home early on Day One. Please arrive no later than 8:30 a.m. The program begins around 9 a.m. and ends at approximately 9 p.m. for parents and guests and 11 p.m. for students. Students and parents attend a variety of programs throughout the day. We encourage you to eat meals with your parents and guests in campus dining facilities.

**SAMPLE OF DAY ONE ACTIVITIES**

- Welcome session
- Division of Information Technology session
- Professor’s perspective of classroom expectations
- Small-group discussion
- Academic division orientation
- Mizzou services fair
- On-campus housing and Greek Life information
- Minority student reception
- Honors College orientation
- Safety issues on campus
- Summer Welcome leader revue

**DAY TWO**

Most students will begin Day Two around 8 a.m. and should complete all activities by 2 p.m.

**SAMPLE OF DAY TWO ACTIVITIES**

- Foreign language placement exam
- Meet with academic adviser
- Register for classes
- Receive your Mizzou TigerCard (ID card)
- Order textbooks for fall
- Immunizations (if necessary)
- Tour a sample residence hall room similar to one in your assigned building or area
- Learn about the Greek community at Mizzou
- Tech Stop and laptop set-up (bring your laptop and/or tablet)

Complete your NSRO form online at [newstudent.missouri.edu](http://newstudent.missouri.edu).

*Students must be present on Day One to participate in Day Two activities. A full Summer Welcome schedule will be provided at check-in.

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**BEFORE YOU LEAVE SUMMER WELCOME, YOU WILL:**

- Know other students who will be living in your residence area;
- Know what to expect in the classroom from your professors;
- Learn the academic expectations of your intended major;
- Receive your complete fall semester schedule of classes;
- Know more about information technology available to you;
- Have your new Mizzou TigerCard (ID card);
- Feel great about your decision to attend Mizzou.

For a more detailed look at what’s in store for you when you attend Summer Welcome, visit [newstudent.missouri.edu](http://newstudent.missouri.edu).
INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL (IFC) FORMAL RECRUITMENT, JUNE 26-28

Fraternities are among the best ways to shrink a large campus like Mizzou by providing brotherhood, networking, service, academic support and social events. Participation in formal recruitment will give you the opportunity to meet men from each of the 30 IFC fraternities. Formal recruitment is a three-day, mutual-selection process in which male students will have the opportunity to meet with chapter members, ask questions and meet other prospective members interested in Greek Life.

If you are interested in attending IFC Formal Recruitment, Summer Welcome Sessions 11, 12 and 15 are recommended, especially for out-of-state students looking to minimize travel expenses (you may not attend session 13 or 14). If you are unable to attend one of these sessions, you will still be able to sign up and participate in formal recruitment.

Register for formal recruitment at greeklife.missouri.edu. Formal recruitment costs $155, which includes meals and lodging (only during the formal recruitment program). This additional fee is payable directly to Greek Life online.

If you have any questions, contact the Office of Greek Life at 573-882-8291 or umcgreeklife@missouri.edu.

If you would like your Summer Welcome session to be scheduled in conjunction with formal recruitment, notify the Summer Welcome office at 573-884-9868, or email SummerWelcome@missouri.edu.

“\textquotequote I immediately felt at home at Mizzou. Everyone is really enthusiastic, and you can tell they love the place. The Summer Welcome leaders put you at ease and address everything — if you have any worries, fears, or normal, stupid questions — they answer them.\textquotequote 

-Jared Burge, Pleasant Hill, MO engineering ’16

TIGER CLimb

On Day Two of Summer Welcome, students have the opportunity to participate in a four-hour program called Tiger Climb. The event is hosted by Venture Out, an outdoor team-building facility on the MU campus. Students will climb the Alpine Tower, a 60-foot tower designed for new and experienced climbers. Tiger Climb is offered at sessions 2, 7, 12 and 20. Interested students should indicate which session they wish to attend on the online NSRO form and complete the Tiger Climb section. Space is limited, and an additional $30 fee is required. If you will be staying in the residence hall an additional night, please indicate it on the NSRO form.

For more information, visit newstudent.missouri.edu.
GET INVOLVED

IN ADDITION TO AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE,
Mizzou offers more than 750 fun and rewarding student organizations that address academic, athletic, cultural, professional, community service and religious interests.

Here’s a sample of the involvement opportunities awaiting when you arrive this fall:
• Student government
• Undergraduate research
• Community service
• Peer-education teams
• Greek organizations
• Student media
• Club Sports and Rec Sports (intramurals)
• Religious organizations

Additional information about involvement opportunities and leadership development programs at Mizzou will be available at Summer Welcome. The following are exciting opportunities for involvement that you must consider now because application deadlines are quickly approaching.

**CHANCELLOR’S LEADERSHIP CLASS (CLC)**
CLC offers students the opportunity to develop and practice the skills, values and knowledge of effective leadership. Students selected for the class typically have a variety of leadership and life experiences, though previous leadership experience is not required.

CLC is a yearlong commitment, and students who are selected will be enrolled in a one-credit class during the fall and spring semesters. Students work on projects, write reflective journals, hear presenters from a variety of backgrounds and often go on to serve in various leadership roles on campus and after graduation.

To apply for the Chancellor’s Leadership Class, complete an application at leadership.missouri.edu. All application materials should be submitted by Thursday, April 30. For more information, contact the Center for Leadership and Service at 573-882-8585 or leadership@missouri.edu.

**ACADEMIC RETENTION SERVICES (ARS)**
ARS promotes student success and enhances the Mizzou experience. ARS is primarily for underrepresented ethnic students, although any currently enrolled student can participate. Through our support services and programs, students will be connected to campus resources that facilitate academic and personal development. As a home away from home, ARS fosters personal bonds with students that provide continuous support from the time of their acceptance until graduation.

**THE MAP PROGRAM (A PROGRAM WITHIN ARS)**
The ARS MAP Program guides students through the undergraduate experience and helps them navigate MU’s campus. If you have been invited, or if you are eligible to participate, you will automatically receive more information about the program around the time you review this guide. All students receiving the Transition, Diversity, Brooks or Suggs awards must complete their contracts and return them to Student Financial Aid prior to the beginning of the fall semester. Students must also attend the MAP Orientation Friday, August 21, 2015. For more information, please contact our office at 573-882-9208, visit us in 110 Student Success Center, or select H on the online NSRO form.
MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES
Be a part of a great tradition at Mizzou. Through a variety of ensembles, the Mizzou School of Music offers many performance opportunities to students. For more information, visit music.missouri.edu or return the postcard in this book.

CHORAL ENSEMBLES
University Singers, Concert Chorale, Choral Union, Hitt Street Harmony, Women’s Chorale

CONCERT BANDS AND ORCHESTRA
Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, University Band, University Philharmonic

SPORTS BANDS
Marching Mizzou, Mini Mizzou (men’s basketball), Point Mizzou (volleyball), 3-Point Play (women’s basketball)

JAZZ BANDS
Concert Jazz Band, Lab Jazz Band, Studio Jazz Band, Jazz combos

OTHER ENSEMBLES
New Music Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, World Percussion Ensemble, MU Steel, Show-Me Opera, chamber ensembles, studio ensembles

GREEK LIFE
Greek Life at Mizzou provides an opportunity to enhance your college experience. The university’s Greek community, founded in 1869, provides opportunities for members to develop leadership skills, participate in service-learning activities, enhance scholastic success and find a welcoming community to call home. Approximately one in five undergraduates belongs to a Greek chapter on campus.

Each chapter belongs to one of three self-governing councils: Interfraternity Council (IFC), National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) and Panhellenic Association (PHA). Membership processes for the Greek councils are slightly different. Men and women who are interested in joining a Greek chapter should contact the Office of Greek Life at 573-882-8291.

Student Affairs
studentaffairs.missouri.edu

Greek Life
greeklife.missouri.edu

Club Sports and Rec Sports (intramurals)
mizzourec.com

School of Music
music.missouri.edu
WE KNOW YOUR MIND IS FILLED with thoughts of the friends you’ll be making and the classes you’ll be taking. Well, filling out your NSRO form is an essential first step toward registering for the courses you want.

HERE’S WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

• Complete the New Student Registration and Orientation (NSRO) form online at newstudent.missouri.edu.
• If you cannot complete the form online, request a paper version by calling 573-884-9868.
• Pay the $300 enrollment fee online by credit card or e-check.

Please note: You must pay the enrollment fee and submit the NSRO form even if you do not participate in Summer Welcome programs. The NSRO form provides us with information to start enrolling you in classes that count toward Mizzou’s general education requirements or your degree program.

On or after June 1, you will receive your “Early Bird” fall course schedule listing up to three of your first-semester classes, including when and where they will meet. Your fall course schedule will be based on preferences you indicate on the NSRO form, your degree program requirements, the availability of your selected Freshman Interest Groups (FIGs) and course availability.

Submitting the NSRO form by March 25 increases the likelihood of getting your preferred classes and Summer Welcome session.

At Summer Welcome, you’ll meet with an adviser to finish registering for classes and make any necessary changes to your “Early Bird” schedule.

THE PRIORITY DEADLINE IS MARCH 25.

The main menu of the NSRO form shows the status of your reservation.

Remember: You have not completed the NSRO process until this line turns green.

E-mail summerwelcome@missouri.edu or call 573-884-9868 if you need assistance.
BUYING A NEW COMPUTER OR SOFTWARE?
LET YOUR MAJOR BE YOUR GUIDE.

Refer to the Let Your Major Be Your Guide (LYMBYG) program to choose the technology package that meets your needs. Beginning in April, you can view the most complete list of recommended technology packages. Technology purchased through the program is “campus-ready,” meaning it can be easily supported on campus, and it is compatible with available on-campus tech services. If you choose to purchase through LYMBYG, you'll pick up your computer at Summer Welcome with Antivirus, PrintAnyWhere and Microsoft Office installed, free. Learn more at themizzoustore.com/lymbyg.

If you already have a computer, you may bring it with you to Summer Welcome where TigerTech staff will make sure it’s Mizzou ready.

PARKING

If you're planning to bring a vehicle to Mizzou and park on campus, you must complete an online parking application. Please note that there are no reserved spaces, and students living in residence halls are NOT guaranteed to be assigned to the lot/garage closest to their residence hall. Parking assignments are based on class standing and when the application is received. Graduate students are given first priority, followed by seniors, juniors, sophomores, transfer students and then freshmen. Every student who submits an application for parking will be issued a permit. For more information and to apply, visit parking.missouri.edu/newstudentpermit2015.

NO CAR? NO PROBLEM.

The CarShare program offers an economical, convenient and environmentally friendly transportation alternative to owning a car. Four sedans are available and conveniently located at the MU Student Center and Memorial Student Union. Membership is $35 annually, and reservations can be made online. The hourly weekday rate for sedans is $8 per hour. Customers 18–20 years of age are eligible to use this service but must have their own insurance. Fuel is included in your hourly rate, and mileage is free up to 200 miles, then $0.35 a mile. You can sign up for CarShare through unions.missouri.edu by clicking on CarShare.

“I loved getting to know so many new people that I would be living and working with. You could tell everyone is excited to start school and it’s great to be surrounded by people that feel the same as you.”

Briana Bester, Lisle, IL biology ’16
ALL MIZZOU STUDENTS must meet the college algebra requirement to graduate. So before you start your first semester, we need to get a feel for your math skills.

The math department uses the ALEKS Math Placement Assessment (ALEKS) as a tool to evaluate math ability. ALEKS, an online assessment that covers a variety of precalculus topics, zeros in on the strengths and weaknesses of your current mathematical knowledge. Understanding your current ability level is critical to placing you in an appropriate math course at Mizzou.

WHERE DO I TAKE THE ALEKS ASSESSMENT, AND HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?
Take the assessment online at mathplacement.missouri.edu. There is no fee or registration required — simply log on to take the assessment using your MU pawprint and password. You can take ALEKS up to five times if you are not satisfied with your initial score.

HOW LONG DOES THE ALEKS ASSESSMENT TAKE?
The untimed assessment takes approximately one to two hours, but you are required to complete it within 48 hours after beginning.

HOW CAN I STUDY FOR THE ALEKS ASSESSMENT?
You don’t need to put in long hours studying for the ALEKS assessment. It is simply a placement tool used to determine your math-knowledge base. If you aren’t happy with your score after your first assessment, you will have access to a free online study package that can be used to help you improve your ALEKS score and better prepare you for math at Mizzou.

DOES EVERYONE NEED TO TAKE ALEKS?
Most students are required to take ALEKS to qualify for a math course. However, some students with prior math credit might not need to take the assessment. To find out if the ALEKS assessment is required for you, visit mathplacement.missouri.edu and take a short survey.

WHEN DO I NEED TO TAKE THE ASSESSMENT?
The ALEKS assessment will be available for new students beginning March 10. To be eligible for certain FIGs (and certain housing options), you must complete the ALEKS assessment by April 7. If you do not plan to sign up for a FIG, you should complete the ALEKS assessment no later than May 1 to be enrolled in an appropriate fall class schedule.

PUMPED UP YET?
Chances are if you’re interested in it, Mizzou offers a degree in it. Check out our 280-plus degree programs at admissions.missouri.edu/majors.
YOU PROBABLY HAVE PLENTY OF THINGS ON YOUR TO-DO LIST. Why not leave the grocery shopping, cooking and dishwashing to us?

You can choose from three Mizzou Dining Plans. If you need additional meals during the semester, you may purchase them in blocks of 25.

**MIZZOU DINING PLAN SERVICES INCLUDE:**
- Multiple dining centers, including all-you-care-to-eat, carryout and takeout services;
- Fresh salad bars and multiple delicious entrees;
- Beverages with unlimited refills and a variety of desserts;
- Service seven days a week — Sunday through Thursday from 7 a.m. until 1 a.m.; weekend hours vary by location;
- Entertaining special events and theme dinners;
- Vegetarian menu options;
- A deli menu with choices of meats, cheeses and breads;
- Hot fast foods.

Locations operated by Campus Dining Services are popular gathering places where students eat before, between and after classes as well as following study-group sessions, FIG meetings and club activities.

**E.Z. CHARGE**

E.Z. Charge allows you to use your Mizzou TigerCard (ID card) in residential and retail dining locations across campus. Your TigerCard accesses a prepaid E.Z. Charge account, and each purchase made with your TigerCard reduces the account balance. Funds may be added at tigercard.missouri.edu or any Campus Dining Services location.

E.Z. Charge also offers a pay-as-you-go option. Purchases made with this account are billed the following month to your university account. A safeguard built into the system prevents weekly charges from exceeding $100.

You can use E.Z. Charge at any Campus Dining Services location, including Wheatstone Bistro in Memorial Union, Mizzou Market–Hitt Street in Pershing Commons and the six restaurants in the MU Student Center.

Visit us online at dining.missouri.edu.

**PROPOSED MIZZOU DINING PLANS**

- **Mizzou Block 275** (550 meals per academic year)
- **Mizzou Block 225** (450 meals per academic year)
- **Mizzou Block 175** (350 meals per academic year)

You may change your dining plan until the last day to drop a course for that semester/summer. An optional E.Z. Charge account may be chosen at any time.
HAPPY FLIGHTS

Direct flights to Columbia (COU) from Chicago and Dallas. Learn more at flymidmo.com.

Be sure that you don’t book a flight until you’ve confirmed your Summer Welcome session.
HURRY!
Complete your form online!
newstudent.missouri.edu
THE PRIORITY DEADLINE IS MARCH 26.