TSRO 2015
TRANSFER STUDENT
REGISTRATION AND ORIENTATION
THIS GUIDE IS YOUR MOST IMPORTANT STEP
TO GETTING STARTED AT MIZZOU.
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Hey parents!

Feel free to offer your advice and wisdom, but encourage your student to take charge in completing the online TSRO 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 the most enthusiastic coaches. The Office of Parent Relations exists to keep you connected. In addition to answering your questions, Parent Relations hosts events, plans programs and provides resources and services just for Mizzou families.

mizzouparents.missouri.edu
Hey there, Future Tiger. Now is the time to register for your first courses at the University of Missouri. In your paws you hold the booklet that will guide you through your Transfer Student Registration and Orientation form (we call it the TSRO, pronounced "tiz-row"), which you’ll complete online. By taking the initiative here, you’ll launch an exciting and fulfilling college career at Mizzou. Your future begins now!

Your Online TSRO Form Lets 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.

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 TSRO 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 TSRO form online at newstudent.missouri.edu.

TSRO Checklist

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

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

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 entering class.

4. Complete Your TSRO 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. (Page 5)
**THE SUMMER WELCOME EXPERIENCE**

**SUMMER WELCOME IS MIZZOU’S ADVISING, REGISTRATION AND ORIENTATION PROGRAM** designed to welcome and introduce new students to the campus community. You will meet individually with an academic adviser from your intended division, register for your fall 2015 classes, and have an opportunity to interact with faculty, staff and currently enrolled students. You will also meet other new transfer students and learn about academic support services.

For the friends or family members who might accompany you, Summer Welcome is a chance to experience the campus that will soon become your home away from home. Mizzou offers five Summer Welcome sessions for transfer students. After you have read this section, you will be asked to rank your session choices on the reservation form. Each of the sessions will give you a glimpse of the people, services and events that make Mizzou such a dynamic learning environment.

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**A GLIMPSE OF SUMMER WELCOME**

**TRANSFER STUDENTS**

During Summer Welcome, you will be matched with a Summer Welcome leader, your primary host during your campus visit. Summer Welcome leaders are current students who talk about what you can expect at Mizzou and offer support, guidance and advice from the perspective of a Mizzou student. Summer Welcome is also an opportunity to meet with an academic adviser from your intended division and complete your class schedule.

**GUESTS**

An orientation to university life is important to help friends, spouses or family members understand and support their student. Guests who attend Summer Welcome will have several opportunities to speak with current Mizzou students, faculty and staff about the university. A primary goal of the Summer Welcome staff is to answer all of your questions.

**SUMMER WELCOME DATES**

1. **Thursday, June 4**  
   8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

2. **Friday, June 12**  
   8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

3. **Wednesday, July 1**  
   8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

4. **Friday, July 10**  
   8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

5. **Thursday, July 16**  
   8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
CHOOSING YOUR SUMMER WELCOME SESSION

On the TSRO website, you will choose your preferred Summer Welcome dates. Once you submit the online TSRO form, the Summer Welcome worksheet and all the appropriate fees, we will assign you a Summer Welcome session based on the availability of your preferences and the date your form was received. Sessions fill quickly, so please return your form as soon as possible.

FEES FOR SUMMER WELCOME

The $300 enrollment fee (which you may have paid earlier, or which you may pay online with your TSRO form) covers your Summer Welcome orientation plus a five-day Fall Welcome program that begins Aug. 19. This fee includes breakfast before your session, all meals, refreshments throughout the day, all advising and registration operations, and numerous publications designed to make your transition to Mizzou as smooth as possible.

Housing for students is available in an air-conditioned campus residence hall for $24 per night. If you are traveling a long distance, extra nights are available. You may request a roommate attending the same session by completing the appropriate box on the online reservation form.

SUMMER WELCOME RESERVATION

All students are expected to attend Summer Welcome. However, we understand certain circumstances may prevent some families from attending. If you have conflicts, please call the Summer Welcome office at 573-884-9868. All students who are able to participate in Summer Welcome should fill out each portion of Section F.

Your completed TSRO form and $300 enrollment fee must be submitted by March 25 to meet the priority deadline for expressing preferences for courses, learning communities, Summer Welcome sessions and housing assignments.

GUESTS

Every guest 18 or older must pay a $20 orientation fee. This fee includes breakfast when you arrive, lunch and all orientation publications.

GUEST HOUSING DURING SUMMER WELCOME

One night in a campus residence hall costs $30 per person for guests. All rooms contain two beds. Guests may room together or with their student, depending on the total number of people attending. Students or guests who do not want to lodge in campus residence halls will receive a hotel list with the confirmation letter.

CONFIRMATION OF RESERVATION

Once your reservation form has been processed, a confirmation letter will be mailed to you. The letter includes important information regarding Summer Welcome, such as your assigned session, what you need to bring, how your academic advising appointment will be structured, how guests can make hotel reservations, how to find campus parking locations and other details.

Summer Welcome cancellations must be received at least three business days before the check-in time of your scheduled session for you 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.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

During your Summer Welcome visit, you will meet with an academic adviser from your intended academic division and complete your fall course schedule. The online TSRO responses will allow your adviser to place you in up to three courses that will satisfy general education requirements and/or the requirements of your academic division prior to Summer Welcome.

All transfer work must be officially evaluated to determine its applicability toward a Mizzou degree. As early as possible, request that all official transcripts verifying your college credit, AP/IB scores and CLEP test scores be sent to the Office of Admissions, 230 Jesse Hall, Columbia, MO 65211. You should also bring a complete record of all your college-level work to Summer Welcome in case your final transcripts have not yet arrived.
GETTING READY FOR MIZZOU

TRANSFER CREDITS
At Summer Welcome, you’ll meet with an academic adviser who will talk with you about how your transfer credits apply to your intended degree program and what courses you’ll need for the upcoming semester.

In the meantime, you can start to put together how your courses transfer through online resources like Transferology and our Transfer Course Equivalency website (see links below).

It can also be very helpful to have a general understanding of your degree program. Make sure to check out a list of degree requirements and sample 8-semester plans through our University Catalog or by visiting your academic unit’s website. Be sure to have final transcripts mailed to the Office of Admissions prior to your Summer Welcome date to ensure your academic adviser has an accurate list of your transfer credit.

MATH PLACEMENT
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?
Whether you’ll need to take ALEKS depends on math transfer credits you might have and your degree program at Mizzou. To learn if the ALEKS assessment is required for you, visit mathplacement.missouri.edu and take a short survey.

Transferology: transferology.com/school/missouri
Transfer equivalencies: transfercourses.missouri.edu
Catalog: catalog.missouri.edu
Academic units: admissions.missouri.edu/academics
Math Placement: mathplacement.missouri.edu

OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT SERVICES
The Office of Off-Campus Student Services is committed to educating students about living off-campus. Our goal is to give students the resources to find and experience a safe, fun and healthy living environment in Columbia. We accomplish this goal through our free off-campus housing consultations, off-campus living magazine, information sessions, off-campus housing fairs, and our dynamic website and housing search engine. We invite you to stop by our office in G202 MU Student Center during Summer Welcome, or contact us at 573-882-1753.

offcampus.missouri.edu
TRANSFER INTEREST GROUPS

Specifically designed to help transfer students make a smooth transition to Mizzou, Transfer Interest Groups (TRIGs) introduce new sophomore and junior Tigers to each other. Unlike FIGs, in which only first-time freshmen may participate, TRIGs are for students with at least 24 hours of credit earned while enrolled at another institution.

TRIGs include a one-credit proseminar course, co-taught by a former transfer student and a faculty or staff member with expertise in that TRIG’s area of study, to help students learn how to navigate the university. In previous years, Mizzou has offered TRIGs for students interested in business, journalism, life sciences, biology, education and psychology. The TRIGs proseminar will help you become more familiar with programs, services and resources at Mizzou. This class meets once or twice a week approximately 15 times, usually during the day but occasionally in the evening.

As you consider enrolling in the TRIGs program, please remember that your academic adviser will decide which courses are most appropriate for you based on your prior credits and major area of study. During Summer Welcome, you will have the chance to complete or make changes to your schedule when you meet with your adviser.

Transfer students should explore off-campus housing options as Mizzou gives priority for university housing to first-time college freshmen. Visit offcampus.missouri.edu for more information.

Your academic adviser will help you sign up for a TRIG during Summer Welcome. For further questions, contact Anna Valiavska at valiavskaa@missouri.edu or 573-882-3447.
COMPLETING YOUR TSRO FORM

WE KNOW YOUR MIND IS FILLED with thoughts of the friends you’ll be making and the classes you’ll be taking. Filling out your TSRO form is an essential step toward registering for the courses you want.

HERE’S WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

• Complete the Transfer Student Registration and Orientation (TSRO) 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 with a credit card or e-check.

Please note: You must submit the form even if you do not participate in the Summer Welcome programs. The TSRO 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 next fall. Your fall course schedule will be based on preferences you indicate on the TSRO form, your degree program requirements, the availability of your selected Transfer Interest Groups (TRIGs) and course availability.

Submitting the TSRO 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.

Complete your TSRO form by MARCH 25 for priority consideration.

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

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

Division of Information Technology: doit.missouri.edu
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 Tiger Tech staff will make sure it’s Mizzou ready.

HIREMIZZOUTIGERS.COM

It’s not too early to start thinking about employment and/or internship opportunities. We invite you to check out options at hiremizzoutigers.com.

PARKING

If you’re planning to bring a vehicle to Mizzou and park on campus, you must complete a parking application online. 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 who are 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.

TAU SIGMA

Tau Sigma is an academic honor society designed specifically to recognize and promote the academic excellence and involvement of transfer students.

To be eligible for membership, you should transfer to Mizzou with at least 24 credit hours and enroll as a full-time student. You must achieve either a 3.5 GPA or rank in the top 20 percent of all new transfer students at the conclusion of your first term at Mizzou.

Membership in Tau Sigma offers you the opportunity to gain leadership experience, connect with other transfer students and increase the visibility of transfers on our campus. Students who complete all transfer membership criteria will be invited to join Tau Sigma in the spring semester.

To find out more about Tau Sigma, please call the Office of New Student Programs at 573-884-9868.

ACADEMIC RETENTION SERVICES (ARS)

ARS provides programs and services that enrich the academic and personal experiences primarily of Mizzou’s underrepresented ethnic students. From the first year at Mizzou through graduation, ARS supports students in their development. Students have unlimited opportunities to become engaged in a community of peers with similar cultural concerns and academic interests. ARS helps you to feel at home and ensures that students have a satisfying experience. Students can incorporate a wide variety of interests and needs through Success Planning. This enables a student to design a pathway through Mizzou that will promote involvement, connect to resources and enhance their university experience. If you are interested in enriching your college experience, please call our toll free number for additional information: 888-570-1136.
MAKE MUSIC AT MIZZOU

Be 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
HURRY!
Complete your form online!
newstudent.missouri.edu
THE PRIORITY DEADLINE IS MARCH 26.

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