

# NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST

## Required Training Before the Semester

- Complete the sexual assault prevention online training. Your personalized link will be emailed a couple of weeks before the semester begins to your UW-Whitewater account.

## Campus Life

- Complete the housing contract at [uww.edu/housing/assignments/housingcontracts](http://uww.edu/housing/assignments/housingcontracts).
- Fall students: Sign up to move into your residence hall. Sign up through Housing's Student Portal, Drop N Go ([student.housing.uww.edu/login](http://student.housing.uww.edu/login)).
- Select a meal plan: required for students living in the residence halls, optional for commuter students; see page 9 or [uww.edu/uc/hawkcard/meal-plans](http://uww.edu/uc/hawkcard/meal-plans).
- Submit a photo for your HawkCard.
- If you plan to bring a car to campus, be sure to contact Parking Services for permit information: [uww.edu/parking](http://uww.edu/parking).

## Paying for College

- Complete the FAFSA at [StudentAid.gov](http://StudentAid.gov).
  - Be sure UW-Whitewater's school code is added to your FAFSA: 003926
- View and accept your financial aid within WINS.
- Complete the loan requirements.
  - Complete student loan entrance counseling at [studentaid.gov/entrance-counseling/](http://studentaid.gov/entrance-counseling/).
  - Complete the master promissory note at [studentaid.gov/mpn/](http://studentaid.gov/mpn/).
- Estimate costs and research additional financing options.
  - Use [cost.uww.edu](http://cost.uww.edu) to estimate your costs.
  - Explore the Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan or Private/Alternative Loans at [uww.edu/types-of-aid/loans](http://uww.edu/types-of-aid/loans).
- Mail scholarship checks to the Cashiers Office (see page 16).

## Academic Advising

- Your academic advisor will email you after SOAR. Make sure to let them know if you are missing a placement exam, or anticipating any AP or dual-credit course credits.
- Download the Navigate app to schedule appointments with your academic advisor, check to-do list items and view campus resources: [uww.edu/advising/navigate](http://uww.edu/advising/navigate).

## Optional Items

- Complete a Release of Information for Student Financial Services and Financial Aid. This allows specified individuals access to speak with campus staff about your financial records. Log into WINS, Student Financial Account, Account Inquiry, Release Financial Info (page 16).
- Add someone as an Authorized User to the e-bill website: log into NelNet at [uww.edu/studentbilling](http://uww.edu/studentbilling), click on Authorized Users.