

Online Orientation Welcome

Welcome

Welcome to Weber State University and Online New Student Orientation! WSU's Online Orientation consists of four steps that should only take you about one hour to complete. In Step 1, you will learn basic need-to-know information. In Step 2, you will learn about degree requirements and who your academic advisor is. In Step 3, you will learn how to navigate your eWeber student portal and how to register for your full-load of classes. And finally, in Step 4, you will learn how to get involved and what steps you need to take next to be ready to start at Weber State. Complete all sections of Online Orientation to ensure you are prepared to be a Weber student.

Journey

So let's get started! Whether you are just graduating high school, transferring from a different school, or returning to school, you have dreams you want to accomplish and whatever your dream is you've discovered that higher education is the road to lead you there. You're about to embark on a journey here at Weber State and by attending New Student Orientation, you're taking the first step on your path to graduation.

During your journey to graduation, you'll interact with many different people, you'll be challenged to think critically, you'll collaborate to find creative solutions to important problems, and you'll discover your passion. We are honored that you've chosen Weber State University to help you along this journey. Thank you!

Weber State Mission

By choosing Weber State, you've made a great choice. We have a unique mission that offers certificate programs, associate degrees, bachelor degrees, and graduate programs. If we break down our mission statement, what does it mean for *you* as a student? It means we value freedom of expression, diversity, and personal contact inside the classroom. We'll also provide experiences for you outside of the classroom to connect with your community through service learning and research. No matter what your dream is, we can help you reach it.

We take your success very seriously and want to make sure we clearly outline our expectations of you as a student and what *you* can expect from us.

Student Responsibilities

As students here at Weber State, you have certain responsibilities. Throughout your college career, you'll have the opportunity to collaborate with other students and faculty, and it's important to respect each other's opinions. At Weber State, we have a strict academic honesty policy that prohibits cheating and plagiarism, which is representing someone else's work as your own. We want to challenge you to work hard and honestly for your grades and success at Weber State. You'll want to be familiar with the Student Code and rules of the Testing Centers so that you don't run into any problems. You'll also have access to campus computer labs, so use them appropriately. Finally, Weber is a dry campus, meaning that all WSU-sanctioned events are drug & alcohol free.

Student Rights

As a student you also have certain rights. You should expect to be taught by competent and caring faculty. You should also take advantage of the many resources and services available to you. Some resources include a Health Center where you can see a doctor without insurance or co-pay, Counseling and Psychological Services, Tutoring Centers, the Library, the Gym, the Stress Relief Center, and so many more services that are covered by paying your student fees. Take advantage of all these resources that can help in your success on your road to graduation.

Code Purple

At Weber, we believe that you have the right to a safe environment. One way that we help keep our campus safer is through Code Purple, which is an emergency notification system. If there is a dangerous campus safety situation WSU needs to make you are aware of, such as dangerous weather conditions, the university will notify you through a text, email, and/or voicemail. Text messaging is the quickest and most reliable way for us to communicate with you. You can enter up to 5 phone numbers for us to contact so your parents, a spouse, and/or

other family members can also receive these notifications. Be sure to set up your Code Purple through your eWeber portal.

eWeber Portal

In Step 3, you will learn how to navigate your eWeber portal. You will conduct most of your student business through your portal, including registering and paying for classes, applying for Weber State financial aid and scholarships, setting up Code Purple, and much more. You also have access to some great tools, including CatTracks which is a degree evaluation tool that tracks how the courses you have taken apply to your program of study—in other words, your progress toward graduation. For help understanding your CatTracks evaluation, connect with your academic advisor which we will help you do in Step 2.

Tuition

In Step 3, we will also explain how to register for your full load of classes if you have not already done so. Once you register for classes, you are financially responsible for them. Weber State is environmentally friendly, so we do not mail tuition bills. The easiest way to view and pay your bill is through your eWeber portal. Tuition is due the Friday before the first day of the semester; be sure to note this date to avoid late fees. In your portal, you can also sign up for a payment plan, which allows you to pay your bill in four or five installments. Note that Weber State will not drop your classes for non-payment or non-attendance.

Closing

Thank you for participating in Weber State University's Online Orientation. Many of your questions should be answered through this online orientation. If you have further questions, consider attending an in-person orientation or scheduling an appointment with your academic advisor. Now, click on the next tab to learn some commonly used college terms before you move on to Step 2. If you have technical difficulties, click to the Home Page for the technical support phone number.

Once again, welcome to Weber State University! We look forward to collaborating with you to help you achieve your educational dreams!