Welcome to Iowa State University and your next adventure! Let me be one of many Iowa State University faculty and staff to welcome you to your new community. Let me also challenge you to prepare for the journey ahead.

As you start your journey to success at Iowa State, invest in yourself by exploring resources and services designed to help you achieve your goals. This guide was designed with you in mind. Read through the material now to prepare yourself and visit it again once you have a few weeks under your belt. As your journey evolves, the information here can be a great tool throughout your experience.

During orientation, reach out to the Cyclone Aides. These students have a story to tell and are excited to be here to help you write your own. We hope you make the most of your experience at Iowa State—your adventure has begun! Go Cyclones!

Sarah Merrill
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NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS
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MEMORIAL UNION ZODIAC
Legend has it that stepping on the zodiac at the Memorial Union will lead to bad luck and flunking your next test. Don’t risk it—sidestep it!

IOWA STATE CARILLON
Don’t know what a carillon is? Just head to central campus and listen for bells ringing. Every weekday at 11:50 a.m., our university carillonneur plays a 20-minute concert from our bell tower’s carillon. She takes student requests, so don’t be surprised if you hear one of today’s most popular songs being played in bell form.

LANCELOT & ELAINE
These two swans (or iterations of them) have graced Lake LaVerne since 1935. Be sure to say hi!

LACE LAVERNE
Speaking of Lake LaVerne, want to be with your beloved forever? Then walk around the lake three times in silence to make it official.

CAMPANILING
The story of Iowa State’s campanile is a love story. Iowa State faculty member Edgar Stanton had it built in memory of his wife, Margaret MacDonald Stanton, Iowa State University’s first dean of women. So it’s fitting that a student is said to officially become an Iowa Stater when kissed under the campanile at the stroke of midnight. And during homecoming, hundreds of students gather for mass campaniling, where couples kiss, the band plays, and fireworks go off.

HILTON MAGIC
There’s really nothing quite like Hilton Magic. Just ask the thousands of Iowa State basketball fans that pack Hilton Coliseum during every home game. It’s true that fans often cheer so loud, the floor shakes.

IOWA STATE FIGHT SONG
O we will fight, fight, fight for Iowa State
And may her colors ever fly.
Yes, we will fight with might for Iowa State
With a will to do or die, Rah! Rah! Rah!
Loyal sons forever true
And we will fight the battle through,
And when we hit that line
We’ll hit it hard ev’ry yard for I.S.U.

THE BELLS OF IOWA STATE
Green hills for thy throne,
And for crown a golden melody
Ringing in the hearts of all
Who bring thee love and loyalty,
Dear Alma Mater,
Make our spirits great,
True, and valiant
Like the bells of Iowa State.
**Fast facts**

- Total enrollment for Fall 2020: 31,825
- Undergraduate enrollment for Fall 2020: 26,946
- 118 countries represented
- 50 states represented
- 99 Iowa counties represented
- 56% of students are Iowans
- 26,846 living Iowa State University alumni
- 203K+ undergraduate enrollment for Fall 2020

**Quick Q&A**

**WHEN DOES EVERYTHING START?**

Classes for Fall 2021 start Monday, August 23, and Spring 2022 classes start Tuesday, January 18. Moving into residence halls and Destination Iowa State will take place the week before. Keep reading for more info!

**WHAT IS MOVE-IN DAY LIKE?**

You will be assigned to a move-in day and signs will be posted on campus to direct you to your residence hall. The Move-in Crew will help you unload and carry your items into your new room and direct you to longer term parking.

**WHERE’S THE FOOD?**

Iowa State has 26 dining facilities to choose from on campus. Hours and menus are available on the MyState app.

**WHEN IS THE BILL DUE?**

Your university bill is on a semester basis. The fall bill is due August 20, 2021 and the spring bill is due January 20, 2022.

**HOW DO I GET AROUND?**

CyRide is a convenient, accessible, and free way to get around campus and the city of Ames. Download the MyState app for bus routes and times. CIT Signature Transportation provides travel to the Chicago area and Minneapolis area during holiday breaks (citbus.com). The Executive Express shuttle (executiveexpress.biz) and cab service is available to navigate to the Des Moines International Airport for air travel.

**WHO CAN I TALK TO ABOUT CLASSES?**

Your academic advisor is a great resource. Get in touch with your academic college for questions about classes and career exploration.

**WHAT IF I NEED MEDICAL ATTENTION?**

Thielen Student Health Center provides medical treatment on campus. Ames is served by McFarland Clinic and Mary Greeley Medical Center.

**HOW CAN I TALK TO ABOUT CLASSES?**

Joining a conversation in class or a dining center, attending an on-campus event, joining a student club, and getting involved in your residence hall are all popular ways to meet people. The Cyclone community is diverse, welcoming, and waiting for you!
You’re about to embark on an extraordinary moment in your life—your Iowa State adventure. It’s one where you’ll meet new people, be inspired by brilliant minds, and make these years your years. Here’s just some of what you can expect when you get to Iowa State.

Academic advising and student services

Registering for classes starts with your academic advisor in your academic college. Some excellent questions to ask your advisor include:

- What classes should I take?
- How many classes can/should I take?
- Can I see how my credits transfer over?
- What happens if I don’t go to class the first week?
- What do I do if this isn’t the right major for me?
- How many credits is full-time status?
- Where is a list of classes for next semester?

Your advisor is there to support your academic adventure by serving as a resource on major and graduation requirements. Meeting with your advisor often is encouraged. Each academic college also provides student services and resources to support you during your time at Iowa State.

The Iowa State University Catalog helps you stay on top of available classes, your program of study, and academic policies. Check out this essential resource at catalog.iastate.edu.

**AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES STUDENT SERVICES**
0020 Curtiss Hall
515 294-2766
cals.iastate.edu/student-services/home

**DESIGN STUDENT SERVICES**
297 Design
515 294-6983
design.iastate.edu/current-students/student-services-office

**ENGINEERING STUDENT SERVICES**
1300 Marston Hall
515 294-7186
engineering.iastate.edu/student-services

**HUMAN SCIENCES STUDENT SERVICES**
131 MacKay Hall
515 294-6466
hs.iastate.edu/current-students/student-services

**IVY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS OFFICE**
1200 Gerdin Business Building
515 294-8300
business.iastate.edu/undergraduate

**LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES STUDENT SERVICES**
102 Catt Hall
515 294-4831
las.iastate.edu/students
Academic support comes in many forms at Iowa State. Resources are in place to help you achieve success in your academic adventure throughout the academic year.

**ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER**

As you work toward your academic goals, look to the Academic Success Center for academic coaching, tutoring and Supplemental Instruction. Learn more at asc.dso.iastate.edu. You can also stop by the office located at 1060 Hixson-Lied Student Success Center.

**STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES**

If you require accommodations as a student with a diagnosed disability (e.g. chronic health, mental health, learning, sensory, mobility, etc.) or temporary health condition, please schedule a virtual meeting or phone call with Student Accessibility Services as soon as possible to provide documentation, determine eligibility, identify challenges, and coordinate reasonable accommodations for: courses/campus activities, captioning/interpreting, facilities/classrooms, housing, dining, and assistance animals. You can start our process by completing our online registration at sas.dso.iastate.edu or by calling 515-294-7220 to schedule an appointment.

**WRITING AND MEDIA CENTER**

The Writing and Media Center, located at 208 Carver Hall, assists students with essays, speeches, presentations, cover letters, résumés, and more. Seek help at all stages of the composition process, including brainstorming, drafting, revising, and polishing. Learn more at wmc.dso.iastate.edu.

**ISUCARD**

Hang on to your ISUCard! This contains important personal information and grants access to residence halls if you are living on campus, serves as your library card, and more. You can visit the ISUCard office at 0530 Beardsdaw Hall or contact the office at iscard@iastate.edu.
Cyclones challenge themselves

Cyclones never settle. That’s why they’re always challenging themselves to do more and become better than they were the day before. So, now we challenge you to challenge yourself. Here are a few ways to get started.

**CHALLENGE 1: EXPLORE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

Challenge yourself to try something new—and be prepared for it to be hard at times. Maybe it’s a new course or academic competition. Maybe it’s sticking with a subject that’s tough or working with a peer who has different viewpoints than you. These experiences will help you discover your potential and prepare you to excel far beyond your time at Iowa State.

**CHALLENGE 2: GET OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM**

Explore Iowa State’s more than 900 clubs and organizations, service-learning opportunities, musical and theater performances, athletic events, and intramural programs. Whatever path you choose, we encourage you to get involved and make the most of your time at Iowa State.

**CHALLENGE 3: DISCOVER YOUR COMMUNITY**

Connections are what will make Iowa State become your Cyclones home. There are limitless opportunities for you to find your people and create a community. Choose to find your place in an academic discipline, housing community, or leadership program. Surround yourself with people who support you.

**CHALLENGE 4: KNOW YOU BELONG HERE**

Chances are, you’ll experience some bumps in the road on your adventure. These bumps might be academic setbacks or personal challenges that feel difficult to overcome. Iowa State offers a variety of support to help you, so don’t be afraid to reach out. We know you belong here and want you to believe it too.
This is your moment. Make it count. Your future is in good hands—your hands. By choosing Iowa State, you’re laying a solid foundation for your future self. Here you’ll find classes to empower your mind, organizations to feed your soul, and all the support you could ever want along the way. It’s a culture that builds you up and allows you to shine.

**Getting involved**

Whatever you’re into, Iowa State has a way for you to get involved.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

Memorial Union Student Activities supports over 900 student organizations, so find the people who love what you love through the Student Organizations section of the MyState app. Student Activities also offers everything from live music in the Maintenance Shop, relaxing crafts in the Workspaces, alternative breaks, leadership conferences, and more. Visit sac.iastate.edu to learn more.

**SORORITIES AND FRATERNITIES**

Sorority and fraternity organizations can be a rewarding way to get involved at the university and find a community. The Office of Sorority and Fraternity Engagement offers over 60 chapters that are a part of four governing councils. Recruitment and intake processes will vary by chapter and will take place throughout the academic year. You can learn more about joining a sorority or fraternity at sfe.dso.iastate.edu.

**CYCLONE ATHLETICS**

Attending Cyclone athletic events is a popular way for students to get involved. Incoming students will enter a ticket lottery to purchase either Football Season Tickets or the All-Sports Package. You will be notified in early August if you are chosen in the lottery, and the cost will be applied to your U-Bill.

- **Football Season Ticket:** one student ticket for each game hosted at MidAmerican Field at Jack Trice Stadium.
- **All-Sports Package:** one student ticket to home football, women’s and men’s basketball, volleyball, wrestling, and gymnastics events. You will also be granted access to Cyclone Alley and Future Alumni Network!
- **Regular season home women’s basketball, gymnastics, and volleyball events are free to attend!**

Contact the Iowa State Athletic Ticket Office at tickets@iastate.edu or 888-476-2925 for more information.

**UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM**

Honors Program students have opportunities to enhance their education with small, specialized classes, advanced research opportunities, leadership development, dedicated housing, and more. In Honors you’ll find a diverse community of peers committed to engaging in dialogue and eager to challenge themselves, inspire others, and chart their own path. To learn more, visit honors.iastate.edu.

**STUDY ABROAD**

Join the more than 1,800 Cyclones who study in another country each year to develop personal and career skills and build lifelong memories. Programs vary in length and allow you to meet your anticipated graduation date. Find out more about locations, cost and funding, and how to make a study abroad experience work for you at studyabroad.iastate.edu or by visiting their office in the Memorial Union.
Living independently

The cozy center of your Iowa State experience starts in our on-campus halls and apartments! With amazing eateries just around the corner, it's easy to grab a meal with your new friends and head back to your Cyclone home to relax, study, or hang out.

**HOUSING AND ROOMMATES**

Fall housing and roommate assignments from the Department of Residence will be available to view in the Housing Portal, found at housing.iastate.edu, starting in early June and will continue through the summer depending on when you submitted your application. Changes to your assignment can be made throughout the summer. Spring housing information for new residents will be viewable in December. To learn more about contracts, moving in, receiving mail and packages, resident amenities, virtual tours, and housing policies, visit housing.iastate.edu.

**ISU DINING**

Your meal plan means you never have to worry about grocery shopping, meal planning, cooking, or cleaning up! Leave it to the experts in ISU Dining and enjoy one of their 26 campus locations. Check out menus, hours, and nutritional information on the go at dining.iastate.edu. You can also download the GET Mobile app to order from your favorite campus locations right from your phone. Check out meal plans and pricing at dining.iastate.edu/meal-plans. For Cyclones with concerns about food allergens or those wanting to learn more about our special diet kitchen, visit dining.iastate.edu/nutrition/accommodations to learn how we can help!

**TECH RESOURCES**

Technology supports everything you do at Iowa State—inside and outside of the classroom. If you experience issues with your technology and need assistance, your go-to resource is the IT Solution Center, supported by the Information Technology Services (ITS) department. To contact the IT Solution Center, email solution@iastate.edu, call 515 294-4000, or stop by 152 Parks Library.

You will also have access to a suite of hardware and software designed to offer an accessible digital learning environment. The Digital Accessibility Lab contains computers paired with assistive technologies like screen readers and magnifiers, text-to-speech and speech-to-text software, eye tracking devices, and more. Learn more at digitalaccess.iastate.edu or visit Durham Center 108.

Community advisors build close relationships with the residents of each housing community. They're great resources to build an Iowa State connection.
Taking care of your health

Your health and wellness is essential to your success at Iowa State and there are many resources on campus to support you.

THIELEN STUDENT HEALTH CENTER
Get health care help on campus. Thielen Student Health Center is a full-service medical clinic located on the west side of campus. Services include illness and injury care, vaccinations, physical therapy, mental health, and pharmacy services. Learn more at health.iastate.edu.

STUDENT COUNSELING SERVICES
Located on the 3rd floor of the Student Services Building, SCS provides confidential services to address loneliness, depression, relationship problems, substance abuse, career-major-academic motivations, stress, and other concerns. Most professional services are provided at no charge. Learn more at counseling.iastate.edu.

STUDENT WELLNESS
Your wellness journey begins here. Student Wellness plans, implements, and evaluates health promotion and prevention strategies that focus on health and wellness issues that directly affect student success, higher learning, and personal development such as power-based personal violence, suicide, mental health, substance use, body image and disordered eating, sexual health, and more. Learn more at studentwellness.iastate.edu.

RECREATION SERVICES
At Iowa State, Recreation Services has plenty of indoor and outdoor space for students to enjoy. Explore State Gym, Beyer Hall, and Lied Recreation Athletic Center where you can swim, climb, lift, or move throughout the year. Get some fresh air and utilize the 115 acres of outdoor space where you’ll find a variety of fields, courses, and courts. Intramural sports, sport clubs, outdoor rec, and fitness classes are great ways to build community. For more information go to recservices.iastate.edu.

HEALTH INSURANCE
If you have questions about health insurance options available through the university, please contact the Student & Scholar Health Insurance Program at isusship@iastate.edu or visit isusship.hr.iastate.edu.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS
Additional health care providers in the Ames community include Mary Greeley Medical Center (mgmc.org), McFarland Clinic (mcfarlandclinic.com), Primary Health Care (phciowa.org), and Doran Clinic for Women (doranclinic.com).

Managing your finances

Your education is an investment. Iowa State provides information and support as you navigate financial aid and your university bill.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS
Questions about scholarships and grants can be directed to the Office of Student Financial Aid at 515-294-2223. You can learn more about the Office of Student Financial Aid at financialaid.iastate.edu.

U-BILL
All questions about your university bill (or U-Bill as it’s widely known) and payment plan options should be directed to the Accounts Receivable Office at 0880 Beardshear Hall. You can learn more about Accounts Receivable at ubill.iastate.edu.

STUDENT LOANS
The Office of Student Financial Success is an excellent resource for questions about understanding your student loan but also about personal finance, managing debt, and budgeting. Please contact the office for a one-on-one appointment in 0880 Beardshear Hall by visiting financialsuccess.iastate.edu.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
Working on campus as a student employee is a convenient and effective way to assist with the cost of attending Iowa State and to pay for life’s necessities. You can explore the Student Job Board on AccessPlus for a variety of employment opportunities across campus.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) opens October 1. Priority deadline is December 1.
Connecting with fellow students to build a strong community of support is one way to achieve success at Iowa State. The Dean of Students Office is committed to helping you find a strong sense of self and to learn more about those around you.

**CENTER FOR LGBTQIA+ STUDENT SUCCESS**
Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual and allied (LGBTQIA+) students find support and foster personal and academic success, pride, community, and leadership opportunities here! Learn more by visiting The Center space at 3224 Memorial Union or center.dso.iastate.edu.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLARS OFFICE**
Assisting international students with the transition to Iowa State, providing immigration services, engagement opportunities for community building, and more supportive services. Find them at 3241 Memorial Union or isso.dso.iastate.edu.

**MARGARET SLOSS CENTER FOR WOMEN AND GENDER EQUITY**
By providing space and programming, the Margaret Sloss Center for Women and Gender Equity promotes social justice and gender equity to the Iowa State community. Learn more by visiting them at the Sloss House or loss.dso.iastate.edu.

**MULTICULTURAL STUDENT AFFAIRS**
Multicultural Student Affairs provides services of support for multicultural students at Iowa State through the creation of an inclusive environment for professional and personal development. Visit them at 2080 Student Services Building or multicultural.dso.iastate.edu.

**NATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE**
This is your opportunity to study at another university for a semester while maintaining student status at Iowa State. Learn more at 1080 Hixson-Lied Student Success Center or nse.dso.iastate.edu.

**PARENT AND FAMILY PROGRAMS**
Keep your support system in the loop with the Relatively Speaking newsletter, annual Cyclone Family Weekend, and more. Learn more at parents.dso.iastate.edu.

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**VETERANS CENTER**
Iowa State’s Veterans Center offers space to create community for veteran and military-affiliated students and provides academic and social support while at Iowa State. Learn more at 3240 Memorial Union or veterans.iastate.edu.

**PARKING DIVISION**
The Parking Division, located at 27 Armory Building, issues parking permits for the on-campus parking of your motorized vehicle. The purchase of a parking permit is completed through AccessPlus, with prices that vary depending on location. Registering your bicycle is a free service and useful to have on file should an issue arise. You can contact the Parking Division at parking@iastate.edu or 515-294-3388. Visit parking.iastate.edu for more information.

**ADDITIONAL SAFETY SERVICES**
- **Help Van:** Having car trouble on ISU property? Help Van is here to jump start a dead battery, help change a flat tire, provide a snow shovel, or give you a lift to a gas station to get you on your way—for free of charge! Call 515-294-4444.
- **Safe Ride:** From 6 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., you can request to be escorted to your destination in those times you feel uneasy about traveling the campus community alone. Call 515-294-4444 or download the SafeRide ISU app for iOS or Android.
- **ISU Alert:** Receive notifications about potentially dangerous situations via text, call, and/or email. Sign up through AccessPlus.
- **Rave Guardian app:** Download this app for a virtual assistant to “walk” along with you as you head home at the end of your day.

Staying safe
Your safety is a top priority at Iowa State University. Campus resources are in place to help ensure you have a positive and safe experience on campus. The Department of Public Safety (DPS) has two areas especially beneficial to students—the Parking Division and Police Department.

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (ISUPD)**
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  - Having car trouble on ISU property? Help Van is here to jump start a dead battery, help change a flat tire, provide a snow shovel, or give you a lift to a gas station to get you on your way—for free of charge! Call 515-294-4444.

**SUPPORT SERVICES**
- **Safe Ride**
  - From 6 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., you can request to be escorted to your destination in those times you feel uneasy about traveling the campus community alone. Call 515-294-4444 or download the SafeRide ISU app for iOS or Android.

**SUPPORT SERVICES**
- **ISU Alert**
  - Receive notifications about potentially dangerous situations via text, call, and/or email. Sign up through AccessPlus.

**SUPPORT SERVICES**
- **Rave Guardian app**
  - Download this app for a virtual assistant to “walk” along with you as you head home at the end of your day.
Principles of Community

Developed in 2005 by a group of student leaders, the Principles of Community guide all of our campus interactions with students, faculty, staff, and administration. You will have the opportunity to live, study, and work alongside Cyclones from all over the world with different values and ideals and these principles serve to create a strong and inclusive Iowa State University community. A community you are now a part of!

Respect

Richness of Diversity

Honest and respectful expression of ideas

Freedom from discrimination

PURPOSE

COOPERATION

DIVERSITY

SECTION 4

THRIVE IN A CULTURE OF RESPECT

You want a place where you feel at home. Where your voice is heard. Where you have the freedom to be exactly who you are, even if you’re still figuring it out. That’s what we strive to provide all Cyclones on their Iowa State adventure. So you feel welcome not just the minute, but the second, you get to campus.

Learn more about the Principles of Community at diversity.iastate.edu/connect/principles.
As a student at Iowa State, we want you to be aware of some key policies we have on campus. These are designed to make your time at Iowa State the best student experience possible. This list isn’t all inclusive, but a good place to start.

**ALCOHOL POSSESSION AND DRUG POSSESSION POLICY**
Students are expected to abide by local, state, and federal law concerning the use of alcohol and other drugs. Additionally, students of age are expected to use alcohol in a way that neither harms nor degrades the individual or the university community. For more information, visit policy.iastate.edu/policy/drugs.

You will want to log into Canvas and complete the required online alcohol risk reduction program AlcoholEdu soon. You can reach Student Wellness if you have questions or concerns at studentwellness@iastate.edu.

**CONFIDENTIALITY POLICIES AND THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR**
The Office of the Registrar is designed to protect information with policies and practices that keep student information secure. Please visit registrar.iastate.edu/policies or contact the Office of the Registrar at registrar@iastate.edu for more information.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION AT IOWA STATE**
Online directory information and public information may be released to the public upon request, except in cases where the student has suppressed the release of their information. Iowa State reserves the right to review and respond to the requests for release of public information on a case-by-case basis. Students can withhold public information through the Address Change link on the Student tab in AccessPlus.

**HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA)**
HIPAA is a federal regulation that protects certain health care information from being shared with someone other than you. Only some departments within Iowa State fall under the umbrella of HIPAA and you will be notified of this the first time you have contact with the departments. Visit policy.iastate.edu/policy/healthinfo to learn more about HIPAA.

**FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)**
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords eligible students certain rights with respect to their education records. (An “eligible student” under FERPA is a student who is 18 years of age or older or who attends a postsecondary institution.)

**POLICY ON STUDENT NAMES**
Your name can be an important part of your identity. The Office of the Registrar will work closely with you to update student records with a name that best reflects who you are.

**KNOW THE CODE**
The Student Conduct Code outlines prohibited conduct and behavioral expectations of all students. The Office of Student Conduct can answer questions you may have about these policies. Get to Know the Code by visiting knowthecode.dso.iastate.edu.
The security of all members of the campus community is of vital concern to Iowa State University. Information regarding crime prevention strategies, the law enforcement authority of the university police, policies concerning crime reporting on campus, and crime statistics for the most recent three-year period may be requested from the Iowa State University Department of Public Safety, 151 Armory, Ames, Iowa 50011, or by calling 515 294-4428. This information is also available on the Iowa State Department of Public Safety website at dps.iastate.edu.

Iowa State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, ethnicity, religion, national origin, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, sex, marital status, disability, or status as a U.S. Veteran. Inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies may be directed to Office of Equal Opportunity, 3410 Beardshear Hall, 515 Morrill Road, Ames, Iowa 50011, Tel. 515 294-7612, Hotline 515 294-1222, email eooffice@iastate.edu.

OFFICE OF NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS
Email: nsp@iastate.edu
Phone: 515 294-0801
Office Location: 2630 Memorial Union
Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8am–5pm

POST-ORIENTATION CHECKLIST
- Submit any final transcripts before the semester begins.
- Submit immunization records and health insurance information through AccessPlus.
- Select a meal plan through ISU Dining.
- Sign up for ISU Alert and update your emergency contact information.
- Download the MyState App
- Get to know your new roommate if you’re living on campus.
- Review your textbook list for upcoming classes.
- Verify your financial aid offer and watch for your U-Bill in August and January.
- Register for Destination Iowa State.
- ✔ Start an unforgettable adventure.