

Maverick Orientation & Registration Schedule

Welcome to Minnesota State University, Mankato!

Congratulations on becoming a Maverick! The following schedule includes all of your orientation activities throughout the day. If you have questions throughout your visit, please find an Orientation Peer Assistant (OPA) and they will gladly assist you.

Orientation Check-In

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

7:30–8:15 a.m.

At check-in, pick up your orientation materials for the day!

MavCARD (Student ID)

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

7:30–8:15 a.m.

MavCARDS ordered online prior to orientation can be picked up during this time. Students who did NOT order their cards online but would like to get their MavCARD today can have their photo taken during this time for pick up later today. Government-Issued photo ID must be presented.

Orientation Welcome

Ballroom, 2nd Floor CSU

8:15–8:45 a.m.

Welcome to Minnesota State University, Mankato! Students and families will be introduced to the orientation staff and receive updates and information about the orientation experience.

Academic College Meetings and Information

9:00–9:50 a.m.

Student Advising Directors from each college will introduce your college, academic expectations, and the support available through faculty and academic advisors.

Allied Health	CSU Ballroom
Aviation	CSU 255
Business	MH 102
Education	CSU 254
Humanities & Social Sciences	MH 103
Nursing	CSU 253
Science, Engineering & Technology	CSU 245
Undecided	AH 101

- Students majoring in Secondary Education (junior/middle or senior high school teaching) should attend the session which best matches the subject matter they wish to teach.
- Students in pre-professional programs (i.e. Medicine, Law, Veterinary Science, etc.) should attend the session which best matches the subject matter of their plan of study.
- The Undecided session is for students who have not yet selected a major.

Student Welcome & Group Activities

Ballroom, 2nd Floor CSU

10:00–11:00 a.m.

Orientation Peer Assistants will lead students through a series of large and small group activities.

Student Choice Info Sessions

11:00–Noon

Please choose to attend three sessions from the list below. Sessions will run for fifteen minutes each.

Living on campus	CSU 245
Parking	CSU 253
Student Activities	CSU 254
Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion	CSU 202
Financial Aid	CSU 201
Things to do around Mankato	CSU 255
Maverick Athletics	CSU 203
Campus Recreation	CSU 204
Campus Tech	CSU 238
Fraternity & Sorority Life	CSU Ballroom

Living on campus

CSU Ballroom

What will living on campus be like? Residential Life will walk you through the ins and outs of what to expect about living in the residence halls.

Parking

CSU 253

Bringing a car to campus? Want to know how to avoid the dreaded parking tickets for you or your guests? Stop by this session to keep that money in your pocket.

Student Activities

CSU 254

Want to get involved on campus and attend fun events? Come to the Student Activities session to learn more about Registered Student Organizations, Community Engagement, and the big student events on campus that you will want to attend.

Diversity Equity, & Inclusion

CSU 202

Come learn about the involvement opportunities and resources available to you with Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion.

Financial Aid

CSU 201

Do you know how you're paying for college? Join our Financial Aid and Scholarships team to learn about different types of financial aid available for students

Things to do around Mankato

CSU 255

Yes you are going to school in Mankato, but what about the city of Mankato itself? Come learn more about our city and the fun things to do off campus from our student leaders.

Maverick Athletics

CSU 203

Want to learn more about Maverick Athletics – from how to get tickets to where to go for information, we have the answer for you!

Campus Recreation

CSU 204

Rock climbing walls, fitness classes, intramurals to club sports, and the new Maverick All-Sports Dome, the Campus Recreation Center has everything you need. Join this session to learn more about the Campus Rec opportunities.

Campus Tech: Free Digital Tools & Technology Resources

CSU 238

Get tech-ready for class with IT Solutions! Learn about resources to help you navigate your first semester, including apps like Microsoft Office 365, D2L, and Mav Life. Plus, get familiar with tech help and support options, Wi-Fi, printing on campus, and more.

Fraternity & Sorority Life

CSU Ballroom

Have you been interested in joining Fraternity and Sorority life? Do you want to learn more about it? This session will inform you on everything you need to know about Greek Life!

Lunch

Noon–12:50 p.m.

Enjoy a lunch in the University Dining Center.

University Dining Center

Course Advising and Registration

1:00–3:45 p.m.

The University Advising Team will provide you with information about general education and major courses, and will offer you course advising and registration assistance for your first semester classes at Minnesota State Mankato. This session is for students only.

Ballroom, 2nd Floor CSU

Allied Health	WH 118
Business	AH 331
Education	AH 327
Aviation	ML 81
Nursing	MH 213
Science, Engineering & Technology	WH 125
Humanities & Social Sciences	ML 47
Undecided	AH 203

MavCARD (Student ID)

1:30–3:45 p.m.

(Following Advising and Registration) Pick up your MavCARD ordered earlier today. If time allows, we will process new re-requests as well. If you plan to move into a residence hall and access dining plans the weekend before classes start, you MUST have your MavCARD when you move in!

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

Orientation Checkout

1:30–4:00 p.m.

(Following Advising and Registration) Check out with the OPA staff before heading home! We recommend checking out before attending the Campus Resource Fair.

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

Campus Resource Fair

2:10–3:10 p.m.

(Following Advising and Registration) Visit with various offices and departments to learn about services and opportunities for involvement.

MavAve, 1st Floor CSU

Computer Purchase and Set-up Assistance

2:00–4:00 p.m.

(Following Advising and Registration) If you are purchasing a computer from the Campus Computer Store, the Information Technology Services staff will be available to help you purchase and set-up your new computer with the software and services provided to Minnesota State Mankato students.

Campus Computer Store, CSU Lower Level

Dates to Remember

- Move In Day: August 21, 2025
- Welcome Week: August 21–24, 2025
- First Day of Class: August 25, 2025

Thank you for attending Maverick Orientation & Registration at Minnesota State University, Mankato!
See you at Welcome Week!

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Program Notes:

- The orientation program begins at 8:15a.m. and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Students do need to attend the entire orientation program to be able to register for classes. Any changes in the orientation schedule will be noted during the welcome session.
- If you are in need of wireless access, please use the MavGuest wireless available in the entire CSU building.
- Students, please keep your check-in packet and bag with you throughout the orientation.
- Orientation parking is available in the Visitors Lot by the CSU. Parking on the street or in any Gold parking lots will result in a ticket.
- Minnesota State University, Mankato is a tobacco-free campus. Please refrain from smoking or using tobacco products on campus while at orientation.