SUMMER ORIENTATION FIRST YEAR STUDENT
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES
Monday-Wednesday, June 8-10, June 15-17, June 22-24,
June 29-July 1 and Tuesday-Thursday July 7-9

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIMES – Northern Michigan University is located in the Eastern Time Zone.

MEALS – All meals listed in this schedule are included as part of the $77.55 orientation room and board fee paid by participants who are staying in the residence halls during orientation. Those who are not staying on campus, and who have not purchased a meal pass in advance, may purchase meals at the entrance to the dining area (breakfast $6.75, lunch $8.85, dinner $9.85).

DEPARTURES BY AIRPLANE OR BUS – Transportation for participants to the airport or bus terminal will be available. Participants must make arrangements at the Gant/Spalding desk at least 24 hours before departure.

ARRIVAL DAY
11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. ORIENTATION CHECK-IN AND RESIDENCE HALL REGISTRATION (Gant/Spalding Hall)

11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. WALK AND TALK CAMPUS TOURS - Students & Parents, Optional (departing from Payne/Halverson lobby)
Tours will depart every 30 minutes beginning at 11:30 a.m. with the last tour leaving at 2:30 p.m. All participants, including those who are staying off-campus during orientation, are urged to participate in a campus tour. We strongly suggest that you wear comfortable shoes and bring along an umbrella in case of rain. Students may want to wait to pick up the computer until after the tour or lock it in their room during the tour. Tours will conclude at the Wildcat Express Center (see ID card information below).

Please note: This is a fairly extensive walking tour that lasts about an hour. If you have difficulty walking distances, you may not want to take this tour.

11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. WILDCAT EXPRESS STUDENT ID CARDS - Students (University Center, first floor atrium)
Students will pose for their picture and sign paperwork for their NMU ID card. The staff of the Wildcat Express Center will provide information on the multiple uses of the card.

Students need to have their NMU IN (included in their packet at check-in) when they visit the Wildcat Express Center.

11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. NOTEBOOK COMPUTER PICK-UP - Students (Payne/Halverson desk)
After checking in, and either before or after the tour, stop at the Payne/Halverson desk to pick up a computer for use during orientation. Students will need their NMU IN (included in packet at check-in). Participants will be returning the computer tomorrow afternoon after course scheduling.
Noon to 3:30 p.m. **PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY (PEIF) AND DOME OPEN HOURS**

Our recreational facility will be open for all students and parents to walk through and/or use, free of charge. Staff will be available to answer questions.

4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. **WELCOME SESSION** - Students & Parents (Jamrich Hall, 1100)

This session will include a welcome, an introduction of the orientation staff and the assignment of student participants to small groups.

4:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. **SMALL GROUP MEETING I** - Students, COMPUTER REQUIRED (rooms announced at Welcome Session)

Students will meet their staff assistant and learn what to expect from the upcoming sessions. Students will also use the computer to set up their NMU user ID, password and e-mail account.

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. **DINNER** (Marketplace)

6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. **SMALL GROUP MEETING II** - Students, COMPUTER REQUIRED (rooms announced at Welcome Session)

A discussion of the materials and procedures necessary for academic advisement and course scheduling will be led by your staff assistant. Please remember to bring all orientation materials to this meeting.

9:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. **SMALL GROUP ACTIVITIES** - Students (location announced at Small Group Meeting II)

Students will meet other students and work together in small groups.

10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. **COURSE SCHEDULING ASSISTANCE** - Students, Optional (Marketplace)

Orientation staff members will be available to assist students with preliminary planning of a fall semester class schedule and to answer any questions regarding the advisement and course scheduling process.

**DAY TWO**

6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST** (Marketplace)

7:30 a.m. to 10:10 a.m. **COURSE PLACEMENT** - CTP/FP Students, COMPUTER REQUIRED (West Science, 2904)

Students entering the university in the Freshman Probation or College Transitions Programs are required to take the COMPASS placement tests in reading and writing to be appropriately placed in related courses.

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **CHEMISTY PLACEMENT** - Nursing Students, Optional, COMPUTER REQUIRED (West Science, 2905)

Nursing students who have not taken the Chemistry placement test will have an opportunity to do so.
8:15 a.m. to 9:10 a.m. **STUDENT WORKSHOPS, Rnd. 1** - Non FP/CTP Students (West Science, Rooms announced at Small Group Meeting II)
Orientation Staff Assistants and various campus offices will be leading a series of workshops focusing on different aspects of student life at NMU. Students will choose what workshop to attend during Small Group Meeting II on the first night of orientation.

9:15 a.m. to 10:10 a.m. **STUDENT WORKSHOPS, Rnd. 2** - Students (West Science, Rooms announced at Small Group Meeting II)
Orientation Staff Assistants and various campus offices will be leading a series of workshops focusing on different aspects of student life at NMU. Students will choose what workshop to attend during Small Group Meeting II on the first night of orientation.

10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. **STUDENT SUCCESS AT NMU** - Students (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
Students will be given information on how to be successful at NMU and as a college student in general. Included will be information regarding on-campus resources, student rights and responsibilities, opportunities for student employment, financial information and other tips on how to be a successful NMU student.

11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. **LUNCH** (Marketplace)

12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. **COURSE PLACEMENT INFORMATION** - Students, COMPUTER REQUIRED (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
This session will include course placement information for various math, foreign language, and English courses. Students who have not yet taken the Math Placement Test online or need to access their test results should do so on their own time at http://mathplacement.nmu.edu/. **It is the student’s responsibility to communicate placement results with their academic adviser.**

1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. **ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND COURSE SCHEDULING** - Students, COMPUTER REQUIRED (Refer to the Academic Advisement Site Sheet in folder)

2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. **NOTEBOOK COMPUTER RETURN** - Students (Payne/Halverson desk)
After students have completed course registration, they need to return the computer.

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Once students are finished scheduling courses and have returned the computer, there are a variety of optional activities for students and parents to take advantage of throughout the afternoon. The sessions resume after the 4:30 p.m. Picnic.

3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **VISIT WITH ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS** - Students & Parents (Refer to the Department Site Sheet in folder)
Certain departments will have faculty available for both parents and students to talk more about their academic departments.

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **VISIT THE NMU BOOKSTORE** - Students & Parents (University Center)
Reserve textbooks for the fall semester, check out what supplies are available that may be needed in the fall and browse through a variety of gift items and apparel.
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY (PEIF) AND DOME OPEN HOURS** - Students and Parents may want to walk through and/or try Northern’s recreational facility. The facility will be open and available to orientation participants free of charge.

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **VISIT CAREER SERVICES** - Students & Parents (Hedgcock, 3302.3) Students and parents can visit the Career Services office to get information regarding on and off campus employment opportunities for students.

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **FINANCIAL AID QUESTION AND ANSWER** - Students & Parents (Hedgcock, 2107) Students and parents can sit down one-on-one with a representative from the Financial Aid office to get specific questions answered.

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **DISABILITY STUDENT SERVICES** - Students & Parents, *Optional* (Hedgcock, 2001) Students and parents who have questions regarding services available for students with disabilities will have an opportunity to meet with a staff member from the Disability Student Services Office. Available services and the process for obtaining those services will be discussed.

2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **MARQUETTE BUS TOUR** - Students & Parents (please meet outside of residence halls in Lot 36) A guided tour of local points of interest will be conducted. As part of the tour, there will be an opportunity to walk through the Physical Education Instructional Facility and the Superior Dome.

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. **FRESHMAN FELLOW MEETING** - Students & Parents, *By Invitation* (Jamrich Hall, 2309) Students, and parents of students, who have been awarded a freshman fellowship are invited to meet with the coordinator of the Freshman Fellowship Program. Discussion will include faculty mentor assignments, work schedules and payment procedures.

3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. **RESIDENCE HALL ROOM VIEWING** - Students & Parents (Payne Hall, 113) Students and parents who are staying off campus during orientation can take a look at what a residence hall room looks like.

4:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. **ORIENTATION PICNIC** - Students & Parents (University Center Lawn) All students and guests are welcome to attend the picnic. (In the event of inclement weather, dinner will be held inside the Marketplace beginning at 5 p.m.)

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES/SMALL GROUP MEETING III** - Students (Jamrich Hall, 1100) Students will learn about the many opportunities for involvement on campus and will meet with their small groups to discuss this information and have a chance to sign interest lists.

8:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. **EXTRACURRICULAR ORGANIZATION FAIR** - Students (Marketplace) This program will focus on student life, extracurricular involvement and student organizations. This is also a time for interaction with other orientation participants and current NMU students.
8:45 p.m. to  **SOCIAL ACTIVITY** - Students (Marketplace)  
11:00 p.m. Featuring a D.J., games and refreshments.

**DEPARTURE DAY**  

6:30 a.m. to  **BREAKFAST** (Marketplace)  
8:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m. to  **HEALTH & SAFETY SERVICES** - Students (Jamrich Hall, 1100)  
9:35 a.m. This session will provide frank discussions of physical and mental health. The university’s health promotion specialist and a representative from Public Safety & Police Services will lead the discussion and answer questions.

9:40 a.m. to  **HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE MEETING** - Students living on-campus in the fall  
10:45 a.m. (Jamrich Hall, 1100)  
Information about life in NMU’s residence halls will be discussed. Included will be information on appropriate items for students to bring with them in the fall, special opportunities that exist in the residence halls and room assignments and changes.

9:40 a.m. to  **COMMUTER/NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT MEETING** - Students living off-campus in the fall (West Science, 2904)  
10:30 a.m. A discussion on what it is like to be a commuter student at NMU, including opportunities for involvement.

10:45 a.m. to  **SMALL GROUP MEETING IV** - Students (Locations will be announced)  
11:30 a.m. The orientation staff assistant will conclude the orientation experience by explaining how to finalize fall semester registration, making any residence hall assignment changes and/or additions and collecting orientation evaluations.

11:30 a.m. to  **LUNCH** (Marketplace)  
1:00 p.m.

11:30 a.m. to  **RESIDENCE HALL CHECK-OUT** - Students & Parents (Gant/Spalding Hall)  
1:00 p.m. Check-out should be completed by 1 p.m. Please contact Gant/Spalding desk staff to make special arrangements if you cannot meet the scheduled 1 p.m. check-out time. Remember to lock your room and return your room key and door access card to the desk. Lost/missing items will be billed to the persons assigned to the rooms from which losses occur.
ABBREVIATED PARENT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

ARRIVAL DAY
11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Orientation Check-In (Gant/Spalding lobby)
4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Welcome Session (Jamrich Hall, 1100)
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Dinner (Marketplace)
6:45 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Parent Session I – Expectations (University Center)
8:15 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Parent Reception (University Center)

DAY TWO
6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (Marketplace)
9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Parent Session II – Academics (University Center)
10:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Q&A with Student Services Staff (University Center)
11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lunch (Marketplace)
12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parent Session III – Finances (University Center)

Options for the afternoon until the picnic begins are the same as on the student schedule.
2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Marquette Bus Tour
3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Freshman Fellow Meeting (Jamrich, 2309)
3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Meet with Academic Departments (See academic department site sheet)
3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Res. Hall Room Viewing (Payne Hall, 113)
4:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Orientation Picnic (University Center, Lawn)
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Parent Session IV – Housing and Residence Life (University Center)

DEPARTURE DAY
6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (Marketplace)
8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. Health & Safety Services (University Center)
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Parent Session V – Student Issues (University Center)
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch (Marketplace)
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Residence Hall Check-Out (Gant/Spalding)