

Non-Traditional & Commuter Students

NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY · MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN

RULES OF THUMB FOR NEW STUDENTS...

- Set up a home calendar with important dates at NMU.
 - When is tuition due?
 - When is the last day to drop a class?
- Keep correspondence, bills, and receipts all in one folder or file.
- Make a list of resource people. Who do you contact for billing questions? What is the number for financial aid?
- Succeed in the classroom:
 - go to class
 - sit in the front of the room and actively participate
 - go to class prepared
 - be interested
 - have a positive attitude
 - keep up with assignments and readings
 - do not miss exams or quizzes
- Practice your problem-solving skills. Ask for advice, but learn how to be independent.
- Talk to your family about finances and a budget for the year.
- Try not to stress out too much!

WHAT IS ON MY.NMU.EDU?

- check email
- update personal information: address, phone number, etc.
- locate general student information: residence, class status, degree, etc.
- sign up for classes
- get class schedule
- see grades
- access and print unofficial transcripts
- look at financial aid information
- obtain tax information (1098-T)
- view billing statements
- pay your bill online
- sign up for payment plans
- purchase parking decal
- check account holds
- find professor's contact information

PLACES TO GO...

DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE (DSO)

- Hedgcock, 227-1700
- Web site: dso.nmu.edu
- First Year Experience
- general questions & concerns
- withdrawals
- Disability Services
 - extended test time
 - note-takers
 - books on tape

WILDCAT EXPRESS OFFICE

- University Center, 227-1686
- Web site: meet.nmu.edu/express
- Student ID Card: Dining Services, Identification, Discounts, Access to Events, CatCa\$h, Entrance to PEIF, Library Rentals, and more!

STUDENT SERVICE CENTER

- Hedgcock, 227-1221
- Web site: www.nmu.edu/ssc
- billing and payments
- request transcripts
- add & drop classes
- overage checks

ACADEMIC & CAREER ADVISEMENT CENTER (ACAC)

- career advising
- All Campus Tutoring
- orientation
- workshops
- GPA calculator
- changing a major
- graduation requirements
- career exploration

DIVERSITY STUDENT SERVICES

- Hedgcock, 227-1554
- Web site: dso.nmu.edu/dss
- financial advisement
- academic counseling
- student organization support
- personal support
- activities

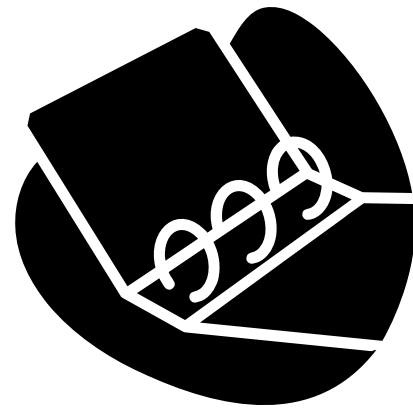
HELP Desk

- Learning Resource Center, 227-2468,
- Web site: www.acs.nmu.edu/2.0.php
- support for NMU-issued laptops



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

1. Classes
 - Start the semester by choosing your classes.
 - View your class schedule by logging into my.nmu.edu. Log-in and go to the view schedule tab.
2. Expenses
 - Textbooks may be purchased at the NMU bookstore. Bring your class schedule with you.
 - Bills can be found at my.nmu.edu. Log in and go to the student services tab.
3. Meet People
 - There are lots of ways to get involved. Join a club, find an on-campus job, or take advantage of the many events at NMU.



OCTOBER

1. Time Management
 - Purchase and use a planner.
 - Spend time on campus between classes and use the time to do homework.
 - If you have been thinking about seeking tutoring, go for it! It's never too early to get help.
2. Meeting People
 - Watch your student announcements for events or go to nmu.edu/salp/student_org for a current list of organizations.
3. Pre-register for Next Semester
 - See your adviser and get ready to register for next semester's classes. Winter registrations begins in November.

January/February

1. Congratulations, one semester done!
 - Take a minute and enjoy the sense of accomplishment.
2. Enjoy the Holidays
 - Relax and enjoy the time with family and friends.
3. Commuting through bad weather
 - Be safe and use good judgment. To find out if the university has closed, call 227-brrr or visit www.nmu.edu – both have updated information.

March

1. Pre-register for Fall
 - Again, see your adviser and pre-register for the upcoming semester. Remember, if you are not enrolled for classes, you must return your laptop to avoid fees.
2. Register for Summer Classes
 - Taking summer classes can help you make it to graduation sooner.
 - Contact Financial Aid about summer aid.
3. Spring Break
 - Use this week to relax or play catch-up in your classes.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

1. Cold and Flu Season
 - Eat right, take your vitamins, wash your hands, and work out at the PEIF to protect yourself during cold and flu season.
2. Register for Classes
 - Log in to my.nmu.edu and go to the student services tab to sign up for classes.
3. Finals
 - There is a different schedule for final exam week. Double check the time, date, and location of your tests at www.nmu.edu/records.

April

1. Better Weather
 - Try not to let the warm weather distract you – make it work for you instead. Study outside, take a walk to refresh, and be energized by the longer days.
2. Fight Burn-out
 - Make an end-of-the-year to-do list and check things off as you finish them. You will feel encouraged seeing your accomplishments in writing.
3. Graduation
 - Celebrate with friends who are graduating. Before you know it, you too will be walking across the stage!