Summer Transition, Advising, and Registration
STAR overview for Students
Purdue University's Summer Transition, Advising, and Registration (STAR) program aims to get incoming Boilermakers off to a strong start. During orientation you will:

- Meet other incoming Boilermakers.
- Attend an advising session.
- Register for classes.
- Take foreign language test.
- Become more familiar with campus.
- Take care of other important business to prepare for your journey at Purdue.

STAR overview for Parents
Parent & Family Connections will host informational sessions for parents and families of students. During orientation families will:

- Meet other parents in their student’s perspective college.
- Accompany students to a college welcome.
- Attend presentations on various topics that will assist your student and family in the transition to Purdue.

Attendance and Participation

Students
All new domestic, first-year, and transfer students who will enroll in classes for the first time in fall 2016 are required to attend STAR. Students who do not attend this program will still receive advisement and be registered for their fall courses, but they will not be able to do so until Purdue faculty and staff have concluded serving the students participating in STAR.

Families
We recognize the important role family members play in the success of our students. Up to two guests per student may attend the STAR Parent and Family sessions, hosted by Parent & Family Connection. Registration is required.

STAR Schedule

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<td>7:00 - 8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Student and guest check-in and information fair.</td>
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<td>8:30 - 10:30 a.m.</td>
<td>University welcome and college pre-advising sessions</td>
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<td>10:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Students and guests break into different sessions.</td>
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<td>4:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Students are wrapping up scheduling and re-connecting with parents and families.</td>
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Take Math Skills Assessment (ALEKS)

The University requires an ALEKS mathematics placement assessment to determine readiness for various courses. This assessment covers material from basic mathematics through precalculus and takes 90 minutes to complete. You will gain access to ALEKS through your myPurdue portal beginning June 1. The ALEKS must be completed at least 48 hours prior to your STAR date.

Prepare questions you want answered at orientation

Orientation is the opportunity to learn (almost) everything you need to know in order to have a successful transition to Purdue in the fall. STAR is a chance to ask all of the questions you and your family have had since the moment you decided to join the Boilermaker family. Make sure to jot down all of the questions you have and bring them with you to STAR. You will learn a lot of new information about Purdue during your STAR date. Coming prepared will help you ask better questions of campus partners and your academic advisor, which in turn, will help to guide your academic journey. Students and their families should also sit down and discuss questions they would like answered during the orientation. Parents and families will not be in the academic advising appointment.

Check your Purdue email

Your Purdue email will be used for all official University correspondence. Incoming students need to keep an eye out for orientation details, housing information, and other important University business sent to their Purdue email account.

Complete your medical form

Indiana state law requires all new, regularly enrolled students attending residential campuses of Indiana public universities to have various immunizations. This law requires the University to block the enrollment of any student who does not comply with immunization requirements. If your record is held for immunization noncompliance, registration for future courses can not be fully processed until the hold is cleared.

Students can have their providers complete and sign the Purdue Medical History Form. This form explains the types of vaccinations that are required by the state to attend a public university. A representative from the Student Health Center will be available for questions and to collect the medical history forms at the information fair during STAR.

For more information on the immunization requirements and how to file for an exception, please consult the Purdue Student Health Center.

Review final details sent to your email

Prior to your STAR date, revisit all of the communication you have received about your day on campus.

- Check-in for STAR is from 7:00—8:00 a.m. EST. Please check your email for the appropriate check-in location on campus for your STAR date.
- Review travel and parking directions.
- Make sure that you have completed the ALEKS assessment. The assessment must be completed 48 hours prior to your STAR date.
What happens if I need to change my STAR date?

Students can change their STAR date through the myPurdue portal. STAR dates close five business days in advance. Reserve your STAR date prior to making any travel arrangements; we cannot guarantee that orientation dates will be available to accommodate prior travel arrangements. To change your star date:

1. Log into the [myPurdue portal](#) and go to the New Student tab.
2. Click on the “Select your STAR Session” link to be redirect to the registration website.
3. You will need to drop the current STAR date from the shopping cart.
4. You will then see other STAR dates available for your major. Select your preferred date by clicking “Register for this date.”
5. The STAR day you have selected will appear in your shopping cart. You may either change the STAR date you selected by clicking “Remove from Cart” or continue with the process by selecting “Checkout.”
6. Make sure to print the confirmation page for your records!

Do not forget to register your guest(s) for STAR. Up to two guests per student are able to attend the STAR Parent and Family sessions. This registration is also done on the New Student tab and closes five business days prior to your STAR date.

What should I do if I want to change my major?

Students who wish to change their major will need to contact the Office of Admission prior to their STAR date.

Are guests required to come to STAR? Can I bring more than two guests?

Guests are not required to attend STAR, however, it can be helpful for supporters of students to hear from various areas around campus that pertain to the transition to Purdue. Parent & Family Connections has designed several sessions specifically for this purpose. To ensure the ability to accommodate all students’ guests, the program does limit two guests per student. Remember that you must register your guest(s); registration closes five business days prior to your STAR date.

Will I have the opportunity to see my assigned residence hall room while I am on campus for STAR?

Owen Hall will be open for students tours. Student or families who wish to tour a residence hall should stop by the University Residences Alumni and Guest Center located at 1016 West Stadium Avenue, in the heart of Cary Quadrangle. Guests can also arrange a tour by contacting URguestcenter@purdue.edu at least 72 hours in advance.

Keep in mind that you will not know which residence hall you have been assigned to until after your STAR date. The assignments go out to students via their Purdue email account.
Why do I have to take ALEKS?

Purdue University requires an ALEKS mathematics placement assessment to determine readiness for various courses. The ALEKS covers material from basic mathematics through precalculus. This assessment places students in an appropriate level math course based on the student’s strengths and weaknesses. The ALEKS is designed to help students succeed in college math courses.

What if I have more questions about ALEKS?

The ALEKS is overseen by the Department of Mathematics. For more information on the ALEKS please visit the Department of Mathematics’ website.

What should I do with my AP or IB credits?

A student may transfer an unlimited number of college credits to Purdue but must earn at least 32 Purdue credit hours to earn a degree from the University. The College Board Advanced Placement (AP) program allows students to establish college credit from results of tests taken at the completion of any high school AP course. Students should be familiar with their transfer credit and AP/IB scores and bring documentation of these credits or scores to the student’s STAR day. Results for AP testing are not submitted to Purdue until after STAR and thus makes documentation very important.

To process International Baccalaureate (IB) credits, students will need to talk to the International Students and Scholars Office prior to their STAR date. An official transcript must be submitted to the ISS Office.

Students will consult with their academic advisor to determine how undistributed credits may be used to best meet curriculum requirements within the student's specific area of study. To learn more about the AP credits, visit the transfer credit page on the Admissions website.

Do I have to take foreign language placement tests?

Students are not required to take a language placement test. If a student wishes to test in French, German, Japanese, Latin, Russian, Spanish, or Spanish for Heritage Speakers, they will have the option to do so during STAR. Time for the placement test is built into the student’s STAR agenda.

In order to take the placement test, students will be required to show a Photo ID (PUID, Valid Driver’s License or State ID, or Passport) and confirm their PUID number. More information about placement testing can be found on the School of Languages and Culture’s website.

What if I would like to try out for Purdue Bands?

Time will be available through the student track for students to try out for Purdue Bands during their STAR date. For more information about auditions, students should contact the Purdue Bands’ website.
Frequently Asked Questions

Can I order athletic tickets?

Purdue Sports has multiple packages available for students to purchase athletic tickets. Students can purchase single game tickets, single sport ticket packages, or The Boarding Pass.

The Boarding Pass is gives students access to home, regular season football, men’s basketball, women’s basketball and volleyball games.

With a valid Purdue Student I.D. (PUID), students get in free to regular season soccer, cross country, swimming and diving, wrestling, track and field, tennis, golf, softball and baseball events.

For more information or questions call the athletic ticket office at 800-49-SPORT, email sporttix@purdue.edu, or visit the athletic ticket office inside Mackey Arena.

A representative from the Athletics will be available for ticket sales and to answer questions at the information fair during STAR.

What information is available for Veterans?

If you are a veteran, member of the military, or benefit using family member the Veterans Success Center is your one stop shop. This office can help with anything from processing GI Bill Benefits to Veteran work study programs. Contact their office at (765) 494-7638 or visit their website for more information.

What information is available for students with disabilities?

The Disability Resource Center acts as a facilitator of service for qualified students with disabilities as they pursue their goal of graduation. This office can help make appropriate accommodations for students who register with their office. For more information on the services provided to students visit the Disability Resource Center’s website or call and make an appointment at (765) 494-1247. A representative from the Disability Resource Center will be available for questions at the information fair during STAR.

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