College Connect

Orientation Goals

• UW Email
• Academic Ability and Requirements
• Financial Capability
• Sense of Belonging
• Wellness
• FERPA
• Textbooks, IDs, Parking
Check Your UW Email

• All official communication from UW and your professors will come through your University of Wyoming email, not your personal email.

• To access your UW email:
  – Go to wyoweb.uwyo.edu
  – Click on the Email icon
  – Login with your UW credentials

Academic Requirements

• Energy Resource Management and Development is 120 credit hours

• Enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours to be full-time

• Consider taking classes during the summer
15 to Finish

- Review the 4 year degree plan in your folder
- Plan to enroll in 15 to 16 credit hours in fall and spring semester
- There is substantial data showing this dramatically increases on-time graduation rates, leads to higher GPAs, and lower dropout rates.

Academic Requirements

- Maintain a GPA of 2.0 or better to be in good academic standing
- Our expectations > Achieve and maintain a 3.0 or better GPA
- Purchase a planner
- Three-ring notebook for each class
University Studies Program (USP)

• General education courses
  – First Year Seminar (FY)
  – Communication 1 (C1)
  – Communication 2 (C2)
  – Communication 3 (C3)
  – Quantitative Reasoning (Q)
  – Physical and Natural World (PN—6 credits)
  – Human Culture (H—6 credits)
  – UW & Wyoming Constitution (V)
• Required for all students, regardless of major
  – University Studies checklist in your folder shows required classes meeting these requirements

Advising and Registration

• Mandatory advising for all students
• Important partnership between the academic advisor and the student
• Get to know your advisor
• Advising and Career Center
  – Hiring a second advisor
• Medical Insurance
EPIC

- Free online learning tool
- Help you prepare for academic and career success
- Focus on time management and study skills during your first semester

Academic Resources

- Math Assistance Center
- Writing Center
- Oral Communication Center
- Supplemental Instruction
- STEP Tutor Center
- eTutoring
- Disability Support Services

Your instructor!
Financial Capability

• Visit Student Financial Aid in the Union Senate Chambers during the Resource Fair
• Review your award letter
• Maintain your eligibility
  – Good academic standing and GPA of 2.0 or better
  – Enrolled full-time
• Scholarships may have different requirements

Plan Ahead for Financial Aid

• Begin applying for scholarships for your second year in October
• FAFSA usually opens on October 1
• Nielson Scholarships
  – Awarded based on GPA and/or unmet need
• Professional Land Management
Viewing Your Bill

• You will not receive a paper bill!
• To access your electronic statement:
  – Go to wyoweb.uwyo.edu
  – Click on Student Account under the Students section of WyoRecords
  – Select Student Financial Portal

Paying Your Bill

• Student Financial Responsibility Agreement in your folder
• Parents can be added as an Authorized User
  – See the Financial Services booth outside the Senate Chambers during the Resource Fair, next
  – Cannot see grades or classes
• Where/How to pay?
  – Cashiers Office in Knight Hall
  – By mail
  – Online with ACH from checking or savings account or credit card with a non-refundable fee
  – Installment Plan (3 payments throughout semester, $15 fee/semester, final payment by 9th Friday of semester)
  – Third Party payments through Accounts Receivable
Sense of Belonging

• Connect with one person at UW during Orientation
  – Another student
  – Faculty or staff
• UW Connect
• Professional Land Management memberships

Wellness

• Maintain your physical, mental and social wellness
• Student Health Service
• Campus Recreation
• University Counseling Center
• University Disability Support Services
AlcoholEDU and Sexual Assault Prevention for Undergraduates (SAPU)

- Required for all freshmen students
- Online, non-opinionated educational program administered at over 700 campuses nationwide
- Empowers students to make well-informed decisions
- SAPU will provide information about healthy relationships, the importance of consent, how to help a friend, and creating a safe, positive campus.
- Courses open July 23, 2018. Deadline to complete Part 1 of both programs is August 24 and the Part 2 is October 26.
  - A registration hold will be placed on the student’s account if not completed by the deadline.
- Stop by their resource fair table to learn more about the programs.
- Parents will learn more about the program tomorrow morning.

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

- Elementary through High School
  - Gave parents and students right to access and control student’s educational records.
- College
  - Students, regardless of age, determine who will receive information about them.
  - Parents are NOT automatically granted access to a student’s records without written consent of the student
- Includes grades, finances, and discipline records
  - Students can sign a release form to grant parents access to financial information at the Financial Services booth outside the Senate Chambers during the Resource Fair.
Textbooks, IDs, Parking

• University Store, located in the Union
  – Buy and rent textbooks/supplies directly online and pick up when you arrive to campus, also provides comparison to other online vendors
  – Only Apple® Authorized Campus Store in Wyoming
• WyoOne ID, located in the basement of Knight Hall
  – Access to residence hall, Washakie, library, Half Acre
  – Dining and Campus Dollars for food services, vending, and other retail locations on campus
• Transit and Parking, located 462 N. 10th Street
  – Can buy your parking permit during the resource fair next

Questions?

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