Welcome!

On behalf of Ohio State Lima, it is my honor to welcome you and congratulate you on choosing to be a student at The Ohio State University. We’re thrilled to have you join our Buckeye family.

Attending orientation is the first major step you will take in your college journey. Orientation is required and we strongly encourage parents to come along. At orientation you will start making connections with other incoming students – some of whom you will soon call friends. You will begin meeting the faculty and staff on this campus who will be your support system when you have questions or struggles. And it is when you will begin charting your academic path at Ohio State and meeting the advisors that will help you all along the way. I strongly encourage you to be an active participant during orientation and take full advantage of all the resources Ohio State Lima has to offer.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

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The Ohio State University at Lima

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Getting Started
This booklet is your guide to your orientation registration. Follow each step to complete your registration and prepare yourself for orientation.

Ohio State’s orientation program is designed to get new Buckeyes off to a strong start. At orientation, you will:
- learn what is expected of you as an Ohio State student both in and out of the classroom
- attend group advising sessions to learn more about your area of study and to schedule classes
- meet other incoming Ohio State students
- become more familiar with campus
- complete university business, such as getting your BuckID card and consulting with Student Financial Aid
- complete any necessary placement tests
- receive your schedule of classes for Autumn Semester

Orientation is mandatory, and students are expected – and family members are strongly encouraged – to participate in all orientation activities. All new freshmen and transfer students will be charged a $50 registration fee and it will be assessed on the first semester statement of account.

Program Schedules

Freshmen Orientation
Student Agenda
8:30–9:00 a.m. Registration
9:00–9:30 a.m. Welcome and Buckeye Basics
9:30–10:15 a.m. Icebreaker and Panel
10:15–10:45 a.m. Session 1
10:45–11:15 a.m. Session 2
11:15–11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)
11:45–12:15 p.m. Session 3
12:15 p.m. Meet your advisor and schedule your classes

Parent and Guest Agenda
8:30–9:00 a.m. Registration
9:00–9:30 a.m. Welcome an Buckeye Basics
9:30–9:40 a.m. OSU Police
9:40–10:15 a.m. Academic Advising
10:15–10:45 a.m. Session 1
10:45–11:15 a.m. Session 2
11:15–11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)
11:45–12:15 p.m. Session 3
12:15 p.m. What to expect from your student
Honors Orientation

Student Agenda
8:00–8:30 a.m. Registration
8:30–9:00 a.m. Welcome and Buckeye Basics
9:00–9:30 a.m. Honors Overview
9:30–10:15 a.m. Icebreaker and Panel
10:15–10:45 a.m. Session 1
10:45–11:15 a.m. Session 2
11:15–11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)
11:45–12:15 p.m. Session 3
12:15 p.m. Meet your advisor and schedule your classes

Parent and Guest Agenda
8:00–8:30 a.m. Registration
8:30–9:00 a.m. Welcome and Buckeye Basics
9:00–9:30 a.m. Honors Overview
9:30–9:40 a.m. OSU Police
9:40–10:15 a.m. Academic Advising
10:15–10:45 a.m. Session 1
10:45–11:15 a.m. Session 2
11:15–11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)
11:45–12:15 p.m. Session 3
12:15 p.m. What to expect from your student

First Generation Orientation

Student Agenda
8:00–8:30 a.m. Registration
8:30–9:00 a.m. Welcome and Buckeye Basics
9:00–9:30 a.m. First Generation Overview
9:30–10:15 a.m. Icebreaker and Panel
10:15–10:45 a.m. Session 1
10:45–11:15 a.m. Session 2
11:15–11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)
11:45–12:15 p.m. Session 3
12:15 p.m. Meet your advisor and schedule your classes

Parent and Guest Agenda
8:00–8:30 a.m. Registration
8:30–9:00 a.m. Welcome and Buckeye Basics
9:00–9:30 a.m. First Generation Overview
9:30–9:40 a.m. OSU Police
9:40–10:15 a.m. Academic Advising
10:15–10:45 a.m. Session 1
10:45–11:15 a.m. Session 2
11:15–11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)
11:45–12:15 p.m. Session 3
12:15 p.m. What to expect from your student
Academy Orientation
Student and Guest Agenda
8:30–9:00 a.m. Registration
9:00 a.m. Welcome and Buckeye Basics
9:30 a.m. Tour
10:15 a.m. Honors Overview
10:30 a.m. Student/Faculty Panel
11:00 a.m. Meet your advisor and schedule your classes

You Must Complete Prior to Orientation

Step 1: Your scheduled Orientation date is:

• Refer to Orientation Agendas on pages 3 and 4 for program schedules.

Step 2: Confirm your Orientation date
• Log on to Lima.OSU.edu/RSVP and enter the access code you were given to confirm your orientation.
• Select the date and testing information as necessary. Refer to Testing Information on page 7.
• Upon successfully confirming your orientation date online, you will receive an online confirmation. Print out your program confirmation. Confirmation information will not be mailed to you. A map, driving directions, and parking information are included in this brochure.
• If you experience problems while confirming your orientation date online, need to make any changes, or are unable to attend your scheduled date, contact the Admissions Office at (419) 995-8391 as soon as possible.

Special Note: As part of orientation registration, you will be asked to indicate your academic area of interest (major). This selection will determine which academic advisor will be assigned to you. It does NOT guarantee admission into any specific college or major. The academic advisor for your area will provide specific guidelines for the major/majors that you may be considering and instructions on how to apply to that major if required.
Step 3: Activate your OSU Username and Password
- To activate your username, go to my.osu.edu
- Memorize (and write down) your username and password and be ready to use it at orientation.
- You will need to have your account activated to access Buckeye Link (for grades, scheduling, financial aid and accepting scholarships), Carmen (for course materials, assignments, online exams), and updates from professors.
- You will need to have your account activated before you can take your Math Skills Assessment online. Refer to Testing Information on page 7.

Step 4: Take Placement Exams
- Refer to Testing Information on page 7.
- If you have questions regarding placement exams after reviewing the information, call the testing coordinator at (419) 995-8076.

Step 5: Come prepared for your Orientation program
- Arrive in plenty of time to park and get checked-in prior to the opening session and/or placement testing.
- What should I bring to Orientation?
  - A picture ID (driver’s license, state ID, or passport), required to get your BuckID card
  - OSU ID number
  - A copy of all college transcripts of any college course work taken during or after high school in case an official college transcript hasn’t arrived
  - OSU Internet Username ID and password
  - Mathematics skills assessment results from the Web-based test
  - A list of questions you want answered while on campus
  - Paper, pens, and pencils for note-taking and evaluations
  - License plate number for parking permit
- Check your financial aid status and come with questions to be answered at orientation. Visit buckeyelink.osu.edu and click on “My Student Center” to view your financial aid status.
- Check your Ohio State e-mail. Your Ohio State e-mail will be used by the University for all official correspondence about grades, course schedules, financial aid, tuition statement and more.
  It’s a good idea to check your Ohio State e-mail at least once a week prior to starting classes. You can do so using OSU Webmail, which is available from the Ohio State Lima homepage (go to Lima.OSU.edu and click “Webmail” in the upper right corner).

Placement Testing Information

All placement tests must be completed before attending Orientation.

Special Note: If you are an Academy Student and plan to enroll in a math or science course, you will need to take the Math Skills Assessment test on campus prior to orientation. See testing center hours on page 8, last paragraph.

Placement testing in mathematics, English, and foreign language helps determine the appropriate first course for you to take in these academic areas at Ohio State. Your ACT/SAT scores, Advanced Placement (AP) credit, and any college-level course work you have completed while in high school may determine your placement testing requirements.

While you may bring a copy of your ACT/SAT scores, AP test results, and transcripts of college-level course work with you to orientation, you must have the official scores and transcripts sent to:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
The Ohio State University
Student Academic Services Building
281 West Lane Avenue
Columbus, OH 43210-1262

Step 1: Refer to your address label on the back cover to determine your English and math testing requirements.

English Placement Test
If you are required to take the English placement test, it is indicated on the address label as ENG: Y. Transfer students with college English credit should contact the testing coordinator at (419) 995-8076.

Mathematics Skills Assessment
Undergraduate programs at Ohio State require some work in mathematics, all entering freshmen are required to take the Mathematics Skills Assessment. This includes students with Advanced Placement (AP) credit and those with math transfer credit from another institution. We encourage students to take the Mathematics Skills Assessment online if possible – at least five days prior to a scheduled orientation. Otherwise, a hardcopy version of the assessment can be taken at the testing center Monday – Friday from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-2 p.m. or Mondays from 5-7 p.m. All students with transfer math credit are required to take the hardcopy version of the Mathematics Skills Assessment. Results will be used to guide students and advisors to the appropriate math course.

The level of assessment you are required to take is indicated on the address label as either MATH: B or MATH: D.
Foreign Language Placement Test
Academic Advising will notify you at orientation if you need to take the Foreign Language Placement Test. If you have concerns prior to orientation about the test, please contact Academic Advising at 419-995-8264

Step 2: Consider your testing options:

All three placement tests – mathematics, English, and foreign language – are administered in the testing center and collectively last just over two hours. Of course, your individual testing experience may be shorter, depending upon the number of exams you are required to take. For example, taking the online version of the Mathematics Skills Assessment in advance will reduce your time in an on-campus testing session. During an on-campus test session, you may not need the full time allowance for an exam; once it is completed, you can immediately start the next required test. Administration times for each exam are: Mathematics Skills Assessment – 75 minutes; placement tests in English – one hour; foreign language – 20-25 minutes.

1. It is highly recommended that you take the Mathematics Skills Assessment online at least 5 days prior to orientation. Instructions on how to test online follow this section.
2. If you are required to take an English Placement Test, you can test Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-2p.m. or Mondays from 5-7 p.m. in the testing center. If you have questions, contact the testing center at (419) 995-8076.

There’s no need to schedule a testing time. Simply go to the testing center (Galvin Hall 310 – The Heath Center for Teaching and Learning) Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-2 p.m. or on Mondays from 5-7 p.m. prior to your orientation unless otherwise noted.
Online Mathematics Skills Assessment

1. You must activate your OSU Internet Username before you can take the Mathematics Skills Assessment on the Web. Instructions on how to activate your Username are found on page 6.

2. There are two versions of the Mathematics Skills Assessment: B and D. Sample problems for both exams, topics covered, and additional information can be found at go.osu.edu/mathplacement

3. Go to go.osu.edu/mathplacement to complete the test. Instructions for completing the Mathematics Skills Assessment are at the bottom of the page.

4. After you have finished taking the assessment you will be given a math course code that indicates your placement level and link for more information about math placement. The advising staff at orientation will use this information to help you register for the appropriate math course. If your test results are a “U” (undetermined), you will need to re-test with the testing center because online exams can only be taken once.

Other Notes

Advanced Placement (AP) Tests
- If you come to orientation before the AP scores are available, you will schedule courses based on your placement results. Once AP results become available, we can adjust your schedule accordingly.
- If you have not had your AP scores sent to the Ohio State Admissions Office, please bring your copy to orientation and contact the Advanced Placement Program at 1-888-CALL4AP to have an official copy sent.

College courses
If you would like to receive transfer credit for college classes you’ve taken, be sure that an official transcript is sent directly from the college where you completed your course work to Ohio State. Courses listed on your high school transcript will not meet this requirement and may cause a delay in evaluating your credit.

Disability accommodations
Students with disabilities should contact Karen Meyer for Disability Services at (419) 995-8453 to make arrangements for testing.

Dean’s Convocation and Picnic
The Dean’s Convocation and Picnic is a day devoted to Ohio State Lima’s newest students. It’s a time to get acquainted with your advisors, learn more about our majors, meet the Dean of the Lima campus and enjoy a free lunch. All students who register for the course EXP 1100.01 will be required to attend the Dean’s Convocation on Mon., Aug. 22, 2016. To register, go to Lima.OSU.edu/RSVP and enter the access code CONVO.
Additional Information

Academic Advising Office...............................................................(419) 995-8264
Admissions • Lima.OSU.edu/admissions.................................(419) 995-8391
Disability Services • ods.osu.edu.................................................(419) 995-8453
Financial Aid • Lima.OSU.edu/financial-aid .......................(419) 995-8147
First Year Experience • Lima.OSU.edu/fye...........................(419) 995-8698
Office of the Chief Information Officer for Internet Username/
  Webmail help .................................................................(614) 688-HELP
Testing..................................................................................(419) 995-8076
OSU Police..............................................................................(419) 995-8410
Security ................................................................................(419) 995-8499
Hotels ................................................................................go.osu.edu/areahotels

Directions to the Lima Campus

From Columbus:
West on US 33 towards Bellefontaine to SR 117 Northwest to
Huntsville-Lima to SR 309 East (right) to Mumaugh Road (right) to
Campus Drive (right).

From Cincinnati/Dayton/Piqua/Springfield:
North on I-75 to Exit 125 to SR 309 East (right) to Mumaugh Road
(right) to Campus Drive (right).

From Toledo:
South on I-75 to Exit 125A to SR 309 East (right) to Mumaugh Road
(right) to Campus Drive (right).

From Marion:
West on SR 309 to Mumaugh Road (right) to Campus Drive (right).

From Cleveland:
South on I-71 to US 30 West to I-75 South to Exit 125A to SR 309 East
(right) to Mumaugh Road (right) to Campus Drive (right).

From Akron/Canton:
West on US 30 to I-75 South to Exit 125A to SR 309 East (right) to
Mumaugh Road (right) to Campus Drive (right).
1. Galvin Hall
2. Technology Educ. Laboratory
3. Cook Hall
4. Reed Hall
5. Public Service Building
6. Life & Physical Sciences Building
7. Countryman Engineering and Industrial Technology Building
8. Keese Hall
9. Student Services Center

Park in Lot G and enter building 6: Life and Physical Science Building for check-in.