CONGRATS!

YOU’RE IN.

You’re a Mountaineer!
Here are your next steps.

West Virginia University.
Dear New Mountaineer:

Please read the enclosed letter and get excited for your WVU journey!

Welcome home.
We can’t wait to see you on campus.

But until then, here’s a little message from our most passionate WVU greeter (aka, President E. Gordon Gee).
The journey of a lifetime is just beginning.

Where will it take you?
What path will you choose?
Who will you become?

At WVU, your future can be as unique as you are. But you’ll never have to go it alone. This is your Admitted Student Booklet. Read on for resources to guide you through the next steps as a transfer student and keep you on track for your first day on campus — and beyond.

LET’S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS.
You’re in, but you’ll need to take a few more steps to secure your spot. We’ve listed the most important things to do next. Questions about these steps? Check out go.wvu.edu/transfer-enroll for all of the info you need.

“I am majoring in forensic examiner. I listen to a ton of true crime podcasts. I chose WVU because of the FBI speakers and crime scene houses/garage. I fell in love with the campus and atmosphere during a WVU Discover Day!”

Olivia Schaefer
Harlan, Indiana

“I am going to major in sport management. The reason I chose West Virginia is because of the beautiful scenery, wonderful atmosphere and greatest potential for an education.”

Jesse Pitner
Houston, Texas

“I’m planning on majoring in wildlife and fisheries resources. I didn’t know this major existed until looking into West Virginia, but the second I saw it I realized how perfect it would be for me! This, and the Pride marching band were two of the main reasons for me applying to WVU.”

Sabrina Vignola
La Plata, Maryland
Get connected with the WVU Portal

Start it all by going to go.wvu.edu/transfer-enroll and choose step 1, Log Into the WVU Portal. The WVU Portal is your gateway to all the online resources at WVU, from grades to course information to scheduling.

To claim your account, you need to activate your WVU Login. Once you have access, you can start completing the next steps required for enrolling (paying your academic deposit, etc.).

1. Click on login.wvu.edu and then on Claim Account.
2. Enter your name, date of birth and WVU ID number, which is a 9-digit number beginning with 800 (it was included on your acceptance email and acceptance letter). Can’t locate your WVU ID number? Use our online lookup tool. go.wvu.edu/loginlookup
3. You will then receive the information needed to access the WVU Portal. From there, go to students.wvu.edu and enter the WVU Portal, where you can access your Mountaineer Information Xpress (MIX) email.

HOT TIP!

CHECK YOUR WVU EMAIL ACCOUNT (MIX) EVERY DAY!

Give your parents access

You can use the WVU Parent/Guest Portal to grant permission to a parent, guardian or guest so they can access your student records, such as grades and financial aid details. There are videos at go.wvu.edu/parent-guestportal that include step-by-step instructions.

Payment plans require Authorized User access; they are handled through WVU MyAccount — where you will manage your charges and payments online. Video tutorials/instructions for granting this access can be found online. go.wvu.edu/studentaccounttutorials

Mountaineer Parents Club

Your parents can join in the WVU experience by signing up for the Mountaineer Parents Club (and it’s free!). parentsclub.wvu.edu

WELCOME WVU FAMILIES!
Review your transfer credit evaluation

Upon your admission, the Registrar’s Office will review your college transcripts and send a transfer credit evaluation email to your WVU MIX email. Please carefully review this email to learn about credit equivalency and follow the outlined next steps.

Contact your adviser

To register for your first semester at WVU, you must meet with an academic adviser by email, phone or in person. Only your adviser can lift your registration hold. To get started, contact the transfer academic adviser for your college/school or program.

Submit the FAFSA

Submit the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Our priority deadline is March 1 for maximum aid eligibility; select aid is available if submitted after March 1. Most WVU scholarships are automatically awarded (we offer a limited number of awards that require additional steps). You can view your merit and need-based aid in the WVU Portal once we begin awarding. go.wvu.edu/studentaid

WVU is investing in you.

We have increased our scholarships and automatically consider every WVU application.

Financial Aid

Looking for additional ways to fund educational expenses? Check out other options, including investigating private scholarships. go.wvu.edu/fundingoptions

Transfer Scholarships

Recipients must be transferring to WVU Morgantown from another institution and have 12 to 115 transferable credit hours. WVU System students (WVU Beckley or WVU Keyser) who change campus cannot gain a Transfer Scholarship. No separate application is necessary. Students must be admitted by July 15 for the fall term and by December 1 for the spring semester.
Accept or decline your aid

You can review, accept or decline aid through the WVU Portal if you receive an offer, or revisit if your aid is adjusted. Acceptance of scholarships and aid doesn’t mean you’re required to attend WVU (but you forfeit your award if you cancel your application or attendance).

41% of May 2022 WVU graduates earning 4-year degrees had zero debt.

Pay your academic deposit

Claim your account, pay your academic deposit and save your spot! Students who plan to live in a WVU residence hall and/or participate in an Adventure WV Trip are required to pay the academic deposit. And it goes toward your tuition and fees. After you access the WVU Portal, you can complete this step.

1. Claim your account and log in to the WVU Portal using your Login credentials.
2. Select Pay Your Academic Deposit in the Academic Deposit section of Undergraduate Student Checklist.
3. The academic deposit ($150 for West Virginia residents and $250 for nonresidents) can be paid by electronic check or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express).

Get tips on how to pay your academic deposit

It is fully refundable if you cancel before May 1 (December 1 for students enrolling in the spring).

Apply for housing

WVU requires transfer students with fewer than 24 credit hours to live on campus. The sooner you apply for housing, the sooner you’ll know where you’ll be living.

The housing application will be available online in early October. 48 hours after you pay the academic deposit, you can log in at myhousing.wvu.edu.

Review your housing options (10+ residence halls on 3 areas of campus plus optional Living-Learning Communities, which are in-hall neighborhoods of students with the same interests/majors).

Select your space and pay the $225 housing deposit (it’s applied toward your housing costs). After the end of February 2024, if you haven’t made your choices, you will be assigned a space.

All students are required to complete a housing application — even those seeking an exemption to the first-year live-on campus requirement.

If you have more than 24 credit hours ...

you are not required to live in a residence hall. WVU has four apartment complexes that are close to classrooms, labs and libraries, and provide the security of having WVU as your landlord. universityapartments.wvu.edu
Choose a dining plan

Everyone living in campus housing is required to purchase an on-campus dining plan. If you don’t choose a plan, you will be assigned a plan. Commuters have the option of purchasing a nonresident plan. You can sign up for a dining plan after you’ve completed your housing application.

New Student Orientation

You are not required to complete NSO, but you must submit an ID photo and register for classes. If you want to attend in-person Orientation, you can.

Complete the health insurance waiver

You are required to have health insurance coverage. You’ll be billed for the WVU Aetna health insurance plan unless you opt out by completing the student health insurance waiver. The fall 2024 waiver opens in June.
Submit your final transcript

When you complete all courses at your current college/university, request that your current registrar forward us an updated official transcript showing your final grades. The WVU Office of Admissions will accept official transcripts from your college registrar via Parchment, E-Scripts, National Clearing House or an officially sealed envelope mailed to:

Office of Admissions
West Virginia University
P.O. Box 6009
One Waterfront Place, Second Floor
Morgantown, WV 26506-6009

Your college registrar may also use the following email address when sending official transcripts:

WVUadmissions@mail.wvu.edu

Pay your charges

Go to the WVU MyAccount platform to view your charges, make regular online payments, download official On Demand Statements and more. Access your WVU MyAccount by logging in to the WVU Portal and clicking the “PAY YOUR BILL HERE!” button. If you owe a balance, you will receive monthly billing notifications via your MIX email directing you to WVU MyAccount and notifying you of deadlines and payment options. 

Don’t forget to add an authorized user if you want a parent or guest to make payments on your behalf.

Tuition Payment Plan

Enroll in the payment plan (there is a fee) and divide your balance into installments. You can register for the plan as early as July to opt for the maximum number of installments.

Whether you’re living on campus or off, welcome home!

When you arrive at your residence hall, we’ll be prepared to make move-in as smooth as possible. There will be specific days and time slots for move-in to help break up congestion in the halls. Pack light and buy items you need once you arrive. Explore campus, meet your neighbors and get ready for Welcome Week!
You should also ...

VISIT CAMPUS
Nothing can help you better imagine what your WVU experience will be than visiting campus. We offer a tour for transfer students each Friday at 10 a.m., but you’re always welcome.

FIND A PASSION
Nearly 500 student orgs/ clubs — from the Mountaineer Maniacs and Jane Austin Book Club to roller derby and Star Wars Club.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE
Help others (and earn credit) through the WVU Center for Community Engagement.

TAKE YOUR SPOT IN THE MOUNTAINEER NATION
You’re a part of our Big 12 culture now. From football to women’s soccer (and baseball and golf, swimming and diving and ...), we have 18 varsity sports teams. Tickets are free for WVU students.

JOIN SOMETHING!

CHOOSE A FIRST-YEAR TRIP
Our optional Adventure West Virginia First-Year Trips are peer-led programs that introduce you to new friends and the amazing beauty of West Virginia. All trips take place in June, July or August. Registration is first-come, first-served for admitted students who have paid the academic deposit.
We have the first Purpose Center on any college campus. We’ll help you learn your strengths and how to harness them to reach your full potential. CliftonStrengths® is a fun (no stress) online tool you can use, for free, along with individual coaching sessions.

PURPOSE IS A JOURNEY

What you learn outside of class is just as important as what you learn in it. There are 168 hours in every week, and Mountaineers make the most of them. Project 168 formally recognizes out-of-class efforts and adds purpose to them. All students can participate (and it’s free!).

168 REASONS

Your path to purpose

Your checklist

You’ve read through your next steps. Now it’s time to start checking them off.

- Log in to the WVU portal
  portal.wvu.edu
- Review your transfer credit evaluation
- Contact your advisor and register for classes
- Visit campus
  go.wvu.edu/experience
- Submit the FAFSA
  go.wvu.edu/studentaid
- Find and apply for scholarships
  go.wvu.edu/fundingoptions
- Accept or decline aid
  go.wvu.edu/accept-or-decline-aid
- Pay your academic deposit (if applicable)
  go.wvu.edu/deposit
- Complete the housing application / pay your housing deposit ($225) (if living on campus)
  go.wvu.edu/apply-for-housing
- Choose a dining plan
  go.wvu.edu/diningplanoptions
- Register for new student orientation (optional)
  orientation.wvu.edu
- Complete health insurance waiver
  talentandculture.wvu.edu/student-insurance
- Send your official final transcripts
  go.wvu.edu/transcript-how-to
- Pay your charges
  go.wvu.edu/studentbilling
- Sign up for first-year trips
  adventurefirstyear.wvu.edu
- Move in – you’re home!
Join us!

SHARE YOUR EXCITEMENT!
FOLLOW @WESTVIRGINIAU ON AND @WVUADMISSIONS ON .

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go.wvu.edu/transfer-wallpaper

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go.wvu.edu/transferconnect24