

C O N G R A T S !

**YOU'RE
WIN.**



***You're a Mountaineer!
Here are your next steps.***



**ONCE A
MOUNTAINEER...
ALWAYS A
MOUNTAINEER!**

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).

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OVER THIS CODE TO GO
DIRECTLY TO A RECORDING**

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** 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? Visit go.wvu.edu/freshmanadmits or go.wvu.edu/admissionscounselors.

THAT FIRST-TIME MOUNTAINEER FEELING. SHARE YOURS.
FOLLOW @WESTVIRGINIAU ON @     AND @WVUADMISSIONS ON  .



"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

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SCAN USING YOUR PHONE'S
CAMERA TO GO DIRECTLY TO
ONLINE DIRECTIONS



Get connected with the WVU Portal

Start it all by going to go.wvu.edu/freshmanadmits 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!

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Pay your academic deposit

Claim your account, pay your academic deposit and save your spot! The academic deposit is required of all students. 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).

*Paying the academic deposit is required to move forward with housing and New Student Orientation. It is fully refundable if you cancel before **May 1** (December 1 for students enrolling in the spring).*



GET TIPS ON HOW
TO PAY YOUR
ACADEMIC DEPOSIT

Apply for housing

WVU requires first-year students to live on campus. The sooner you apply for housing, the sooner you'll know where you'll be living.

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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). The earlier you fill out the housing application, the more housing choices you have. 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.



HOUSING OPTIONS



ON-CAMPUS HOUSING EXEMPTIONS

Living-Learning Communities

These are optional, no-extra-cost areas in a residence hall where your neighbors share your major, academic interests and passions.



CHOOSE AN LLC

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Submit the FAFSA

Submit the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Our priority deadline is **March 1** for maximum aid eligibility. 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



CHECK OUT OUR SERIES OF VIDEOS ABOUT THE FAFSA

WVU'S FAFSA CODE:
003827

WVU is investing in you.

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

First-time freshmen must be admitted by **June 1** to be considered for merit scholarships.

Financial Aid

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



SEE OUR VIDEO PLAYLIST ABOUT ALL THINGS FINANCIAL AID

West Virginia Residents: Apply for Promise

The Promise Scholarship is sponsored by the state of West Virginia. To be considered, you must submit the Promise application and the FAFSA by **March 1**. Promise requires ACT/SAT scores.



WV PROMISE

Take the ALEKS assessment

All new, first-time freshmen are required to take an online math assessment (ALEKS). ALEKS is available to admitted students starting mid-fall and is required before registering for New Student Orientation. There is no fee for ALEKS.



VIDEO INTRO TO ALEKS



LEARN ABOUT AID OFFERS

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.**

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New Student Orientation

New Student Orientation (NSO) registration opens in March for those who have paid the academic deposit and taken the ALEKS math assessment.

First-year students are required to attend NSO, but you'll have a great time and be prepared! Your experience will include:

- ✓ **self-paced, online modules**
- ✓ **an appointment with an adviser to create your class schedule**
- ✓ **options for an in-person, on-campus program**

NSO OPTIONS



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.



INSURANCE DETAILS



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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 one. Commuters have the option of purchasing a nonresident plan. You can sign up for a dining plan after you've completed your housing application.



DINING DETAILS



Your WVU MyAccount



WATCH THESE TUTORIALS AT
[GO.WVU.EDU/
STUDENTACCOUNTTUTORIALS.](https://go.wvu.edu/studentaccounttutorials)

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. go.wvu.edu/studentbilling

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



EASIER
PAYMENT

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.

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Move-In Day: 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. Schedule a tour through our Visitors Centers or attend a special event (or both).



VISIT



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!



NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!



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.

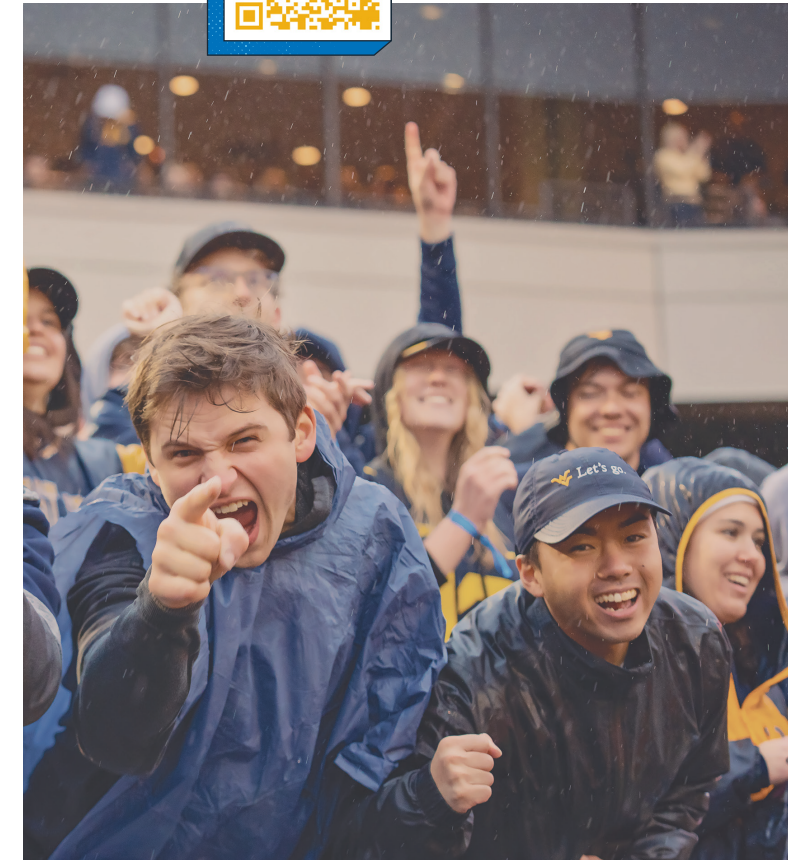
Registration is first-come, first-served for admitted students who have paid the academic deposit.



LET'S GO!



MOUNTAINEERS SERVE



Your path to purpose

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**

PROJECT 168

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 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
- ☐ **PAY YOUR ACADEMIC DEPOSIT**
go.wvu.edu/deposit
- ☐ **COMPLETE THE HOUSING APPLICATION / PAY YOUR HOUSING DEPOSIT (\$225) / CHOOSE YOUR NEW HOME**
go.wvu.edu/apply-for-housing
- ☐ **VISIT CAMPUS**
go.wvu.edu/experience
- ☐ **SUBMIT THE FAFSA**
go.wvu.edu/studentaid
- ☐ **TAKE THE ALEKS MATH ASSESSMENT**
go.wvu.edu/aleks
- ☐ **FIND AND APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS**
go.wvu.edu/fundingoptions
- ☐ **ACCEPT OR DECLINE AID**
go.wvu.edu/accept-or-decline-aid
- ☐ **REGISTER FOR NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**
orientation.wvu.edu
- ☐ **COMPLETE HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER**
talentandculture.wvu.edu/student-insurance
- ☐ **CHOOSE A DINING PLAN**
go.wvu.edu/diningplanoptions
- ☐ **PAY YOUR CHARGES**
go.wvu.edu/studentbilling
- ☐ **SIGN UP FOR FIRST-YEAR TRIPS**
adventurefirstyear.wvu.edu
- ☐ **SEND YOUR OFFICIAL FINAL TRANSCRIPTS**
go.wvu.edu/transcript-how-to
- ☐ **MOVE IN – YOU'RE HOME!**

Join us on Social!

You can join the ***Class of 2028*** on Instagram [go.wvu.edu/wvu_2028](https://www.instagram.com/go.wvu.edu/wvu_2028) and Discord go.wvu.edu/2028discord.

Your family can join our ***Official Families of the WVU Class of 2028*** to meet other parents and get answers to their many questions.
go.wvu.edu/officialwvufamilies2028

SHARE YOUR EXCITEMENT!

FOLLOW @WESTVIRGINIAU ON     AND @WVUADMISSIONS ON  .

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