

Westfield State University | Day New Student Next Steps

GET CONNECTED

- ☐ Activate your student email account and [MyWestfield](#) student portal
For login/ activation assistance please click here for instructions or contact supportdesk@westfield.ma.edu
- ☐ Link your [WSU email account to your phone](#) and start checking your WSU email regularly
- ☐ Sign up for the [Emergency Notification System](#) through MyWestfield
- ☐ Complete your [WSU360 profile](#) and explore your success network

ACADEMICS & CLASSES

- ☐ [Check your degree audit](#) to make sure that all of your credits transferred correctly, including dual enrollment, AP credits and CLEP scores
AP & CLEP scores can be sent directly to the [Registrar's Office](#)
- ☐ Review your course schedule.
Log into myWestfield > Academics > Student Self-Service card > My Schedule. Then, reach out to the Transfer and Reenrolling Advisor, Brittany Garand, with any questions or concerns at bgarand@westfield.ma.edu
Students are loaded into their online courses the weekend before classes start. If you add an online class after classes have begun, it may take up to 24 hours to become active in your PLATO
- ☐ Submit your final official transcripts to the [Office of Admissions](#) as soon as your final grades are posted
If you do not submit your final transcripts, a registration hold may be placed on your account to prevent you from registering for classes next semester
- ☐ Find and purchase your textbooks [here](#)
Please note: we recommend that you wait until 2 weeks before the semester starts, when schedules are finalized, before purchasing any class materials
If you have excess financial aid, it can be [transferred to Owl Bucks](#) to be used toward books or campus dining

REQUIRED FORMS

- ☐ Complete the [Health Insurance Waiver or Enrollment Form](#)
You must indicate whether you wish to enroll in the WSU Health Insurance Plan or waive coverage, as your bill will be impacted by your decision
- ☐ Complete the [Health/Physical and Immunization Form](#) (athletes may need to complete additional forms)
This form is required. Massachusetts law requires that all college students have certain immunizations before coming to school
- ☐ Complete the [Proof of Residency Form](#)

The Proof of Residency Form is required of all new students to Westfield State University. Failure to complete this form may result in a registration hold on your account

- ☐ Update your [preferred/ chosen name](#) (if applicable)

Please give the system time to update across different campus systems

FINANCIAL AID & BILLING

- ☐ Look over and pay your [student bill](#). Go to: myWestfield > My Student Finances card > Pay My Bill Online
Bills will become available online (not mailed) after you are registered for classes. Please contact Jody Gogol if you have any questions or concerns about your bill: jgogol@westfield.ma.edu. Unpaid bills will result in holds on your account and/or dropped schedules

- ☐ Complete the [Entrance Counseling & Loan Agreement](#) for a Subsidized/ Unsubsidized (MPN) Master Promissory Note (ONLY for Federal Student Loan Borrowers).

The federal student loan will not credit the semester bill until both items are complete.

- ☐ Make sure that Westfield State University is added to both your current and upcoming [FAFSA](#) applications and your financial aid is all set (if applicable)

All questions regarding financial aid packages, scholarship and grants, or financial eligibility can be directed to financialaid@westfield.ma.edu

CAMPUS LIFE & SERVICES

- ☐ Attend new student orientation this summer, or sign up for an individual campus session. Then, attend Owl Welcome Weekend the weekend before classes start!

For more information, contact nso@westfield.ma.edu

- ☐ Purchase your [parking permit](#) if you will have a car on campus
All parking decals are virtual and will be linked to your vehicle's license plate number. If you have excess financial aid, it can be applied toward your parking decal by emailing parking@westfield.ma.edu

- ☐ Living on campus? Complete your Housing Agreement, create your roommate profile, and get ready to meet your roommate, by going to myWestfield > Campus Life > Living On Campus > MyHousing
New student move-in takes place on the weekend before classes begin. For housing questions, please contact Residential Life at (413) 572-5402 or housing@westfield.ma.edu

- ☐ Upload your photo for your [Student ID card](#). Student IDs can be used as a PVTa bus pass for free passage (restrictions may apply)

If you are a resident living on campus, you will receive the card when you move in. If you are a commuter, you will pick up your ID card when classes begin. ID cards will not be mailed

- ☐ If applicable, register and request [reasonable accommodations](#) through Student Accessibility Services
Complete the [Reasonable Accommodations Request Form](#) to find out about support services and reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities

- If you are a veteran or are military-connected, contact the [Veteran and Military Services](#) office for assistance navigating benefits, military credit transfer, and available resources
- If you qualify or previously participated in a TRIO Student Support Services program at another institution, we encourage you to [apply to join TRIO](#) at Westfield State. TRIO offers comprehensive, transfer-friendly wraparound support services

Welcome to Westfield State University!