CSUSM FIRST YEAR ORIENTATION PREP INFORMATION

HOW TO PREPARE AND WHAT TO BRING

☐ Orientation parking permit (can be found in MyCSUSM by returning to your Orientation reservation). If you cannot print your permit, there will be some available when you arrive to Orientation.

☐ High School transcript if you have not already done so. Transcripts are due to campus by July 15th. If you do not have it with you the day of your orientation, that’s okay! Just ensure that your high school will be sending it to CSUSM by the July 15th deadline. Note: this only applies if you are attending an Orientation before July 15th. If you are attending Orientation after July 15th, your transcripts should already have been sent to CSUSM.

☐ A valid form of Identification – Driver’s License, ID card, etc. Students must provide identification in order to get their Student ID card at the end of Orientation.

☐ Please go online HERE to view payment deadlines and methods of payment.

☐ Wear comfortable shoes and be prepared to walk.

☐ Bring a light jacket or sweatshirt. It may be hot outside but it can get cold with air conditioning running while you are indoors.

☐ A reusable water bottle. Water stations will be available all day.

ARRIVING TO ORIENTATION

Orientation permits are only valid in Parking Lot C. If you park anywhere else with an Orientation permit, you will receive a ticket. There will be signs and Orientation Team leaders directing you to Lot C upon arrival to campus. Your parking permit is not valid in any other lots on campus and you will get a ticket if you park elsewhere. You Orientation permit is only valid on the date of your Orientation.

Orientation is not responsible or liable for costs if a student chooses to buy a parking permit for the day or receives a ticket for not having a valid permit. For directions to CSUSM and a campus map, visit www.csusm.edu/guide/. If you are being dropped off, we encourage you to be let out in Craven Circle (look for the flagpoles).

CHECKING IN TO ORIENTATION

Check-in for all Orientation sessions will occur in front of University Hall. There will be signs and Orientation Team leaders directing you from Lot C. In order to not miss crucial information, please plan on arriving on time (8am for check-in). If you have not yet paid the Orientation fee, you will not be permitted to check-in. If you pay the night before, please bring proof of payment to show Orientation staff at check-in.

Check-in will take place 8:00am-8:20am
Orientation begins at 8:20am
Orientation ends at approximately 5:00pm

If you are running late, we encourage you to contact us immediately at 760-750-4930. If you are going to be more than 1 hour late, we may ask you to re-schedule. Students must stay throughout the entire duration of Orientation. **Please note that guests are NOT permitted to attend unless it is a First Year with Family Orientation. Family members attending a First Year with Family Orientation will be separated from their student for the majority of the day except for lunch.**

FIRST YEAR ORIENTATION SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Welcome to CSUSM
Small Group Meeting and Campus Tour with your Orientation Team Leader
Campus Resource and College Transition Presentations including:
  • Making a Successful Transition from High School to College
  • What It Means to Be a Cougar: Expectations as a member of our community
  • Sexual Assault Prevention, Alcohol Education, and Bystander Intervention
  • Getting Involved and Connected at CSUSM
  • ELM/EPT & EAP Conditional Information (students needing to attend these sessions will be notified at the start of the day)
Lunch/ Student Organization & Campus Resource Fair
Group Academic Advising/Begin building your Fall 2015 schedule
Check out/Get your Student ID Card

Questions? Call Orientation and New Student Programs at 760-750-4930