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YOUR ROADMAP TO ENROLLMENT

# Everything you need to do before you begin.

**ONLINE PROGRAMS** 2020-2021

# WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS!



We understand that continuing your education is an important transition. Let this roadmap be your guide, but feel free to contact the Office of Online Programs at (717) 871-7200 with any questions you may have along the way. We are here to help.

#### Becoming a Millersville Marauder is a once-in-a lifetime experience. You have made a great decision to join the Millersville University community!

Millersville University's online programs are of the highest quality and our faculty members are dedicated experts. Throughout your time with us, you will have access to our state-of-the-art technology, excellent online courses, dedicated staff in the Office of Online Programs, and so much more. The opportunities for you are endless.

In order to make your transition to Millersville as smooth as possible, we have created the 2020-2021 Online Programs Roadmap with important tasks for you to complete before you start classes.

We have also developed a fully online orientation to help familiarize you with the D2L course system, the program, the faculty, and Millersville University.

The Office of Online Programs is here to support your needs. Please contact us first with any administrative questions or concerns. We are here to help you ensure your continued success as a Millersville University student!

Welcome to Millersville University.

Janice R. Moore

Janice Moore, Ed.D. Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies Director of Online and Adult Learning

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### WE ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING YOUR TRANSITION AS EASY AS POSSIBLE.

To help keep you on track, we have created a convenient checklist to complete before you start. Start with items in the "A.S.A.P" section, then move forward until you reach information pertaining to your start. If you are unsure of your plan or exact starting date, or if you have any other questions about any items listed below, contact Online Programs at 717-871-7200.

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		A.S.A.P.		· · · ·	FEBRUARY 2021	
A.S.A.P.		Activate your myVILLE account (page 3)			Summer 2021 registration begins (not req.'ed by all programs) ( <u>p. 6</u> )	
A.S.A.P.		Complete Online Orientation in D2L (page 5)	2/8		at this time. Modules A & B are considered part of	
A.S.A.P.		Apply for financial aid if applicable (page 9)			Summer 1 & 2, respectively. Online Programs will automatically register you for any major courses	
		Confirm addl. documentation with Office of			MARCH 2021	
A.S.A.P.		Online Programs if applicable (page 6)	3/15*		Second half (Module B) of Spring 2021 begins!	
A.S.A.P.		Submit official final transcripts to Office of Online Programs if applicable ( <u>page 4</u> )	5/15		Module B begins. Non-accelerated courses continue.	
A.S.A.P.		Contact Veteran Certifying Officer if using military benefits (page 9)	4/8		Fall 2021 registration begins (page 6) Online Programs will register you for major	
A.S.A.P.		Optional: Sign up for Third-Party Authorization to access bills if family member is helping pay ( <i>page 7</i> )	1,70		courses; ask your advisor for help choosing others.	
A.S.A.P.		Accept financial aid awards if applicable (page 9)	4/9	님	Look for Summer 1 & A 2021 E-bill in MAX (page /)	
A.S.A.P.		Review automatic registration in major courses	4/21		Summer 1 & A 2021 bills due – pay or clear bill in MAX ( <u>page 7</u> )	
		Optional: Sign up for MU/Alert, our email/text/phone			MAY 2021	
A.S.A.P.		emergency notification system (page 8)	5/7		Look for Summer 2 & B 2021 E-bill in MAX (page /)	
A.S.A.P.		Consult with your academic advisor to begin determining your personal course plan (page 6)	5/10		Any accelerated courses in Summer 1, all Module A courses, & any 15-week courses begin at this time.	
A.S.A.P.		frequent visits; free day passes available otherwise) ( <i>page 8</i> )	5/19		Summer 2 & B 2021 bills due – pay or clear bill in MAX ( <u>page 7</u> )	
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8/13		Optional: Fall 2020 TMS payment plan deadline (page 7)	6/23		Summer 3 2021 bills due – pay or clear bill in MAX (page 7)	
8/24		Fall 2020 semester begins!	6/28*	H	Second half (Module B) of Summer 2021 begins!	
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9/30		Winter 2021 registration begins (not required by all programs) (p. 6) Ask your advisor for help choosing & registering.	7/12		Summer 3 2021 semester begins! Any accelerated courses in Summer 3 begin.	
		OCTOBER 2020	7/16		Look for Fall 2021 E-bill in MAX (page 7)	
10/19		Second half (Module B) of Fall 2020 begins!			AUGUST 2021	
10/15		Module B courses begin; 15-week courses continue.	8/4		Fall 2021 bills due – pay or clear bill in MAX ( <u>page 7</u> )	
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# ONLINE STUDENT CHECKLIST



\*Dates indicated with an asterisk are subject to change. Module B courses generally begin 8 weeks after the semester's start. If admitted after dates listed above, please complete all relevant steps up to your admit date as soon as possible, then continue to follow the checklist. For additional information, contact the Office of Online Programs at 717-871-7200 or <u>OnlinePrograms@millersville.edu</u>.

# SETTING UP YOUR myVILLE ACCOUNT

# Congratulations! YOU'RE OFFICIALLY A MARAUDER. IT'S TIME TO SET UP YOUR myVILLE ACCOUNT!

You'll be using your myVILLE account to access numerous University services, including your student email and D2L Brightspace, Millersville's Learning Management System, where you'll be taking all of your online courses.

To activate your myVILLE account, you will need your M# (Student ID number listed on your Offer Letter). Your login credentials for myVILLE will be used for *all* campus services requiring a login -- make sure to write them down in a safe place!

For instructions on activating your Millersville account, visit:

#### wiki.millersville.edu/display/ittac/Activating+your+MU+Accounts

Once you activate your myVILLE account, be sure to check your Millersville email account regularly. Millersville email is the primary communication mode for information, and is especially important for online students.

Go to www.millersville.edu/logins to access the portals listed below.

- myVILLE provides access to your email, the university portal, and on-campus services.
- D2L Brightspace provides access to all online courses, including your orientation (D2L Brightspace uses the same login credentials as myVILLE).
- MAX provides access to course registration, grades, transcripts and degree audits, and billing and financial aid information.
- Desk is here to help
- Contact the IT Help Desk at 717-871-7777 help@millersville.ed
- Location: Boyer Building (enter at door to left of main entrance, look for TAC)









#### **ADMISSIONS PROCESS**

The admissions process for online students is not handled by the Admissions Office, but entirely by the **Office of Online Programs**, which is a part of the College of Graduate Studies & Adult Learning (CGSAL).

#### Be sure to submit your final college transcript.

If you are currently enrolled elsewhere, or will be until you begin at Millersville, please submit official transcripts at the end of each term.

Office of Online Programs Millersville University Lyle 212 PO Box 1002 Millersville, PA 17551

**ONLINE ALCOHOL & SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION PORTALS** Deadline: A.S.A.P.

New students entering Millersville are required to complete the online portals Zombies, Alcohol & You (alcohol abuse prevention) and Not Anymore! (sexual assault prevention). Students should be receiving an email with instructions on how to complete the programs. If you do not, please let Online Programs know.

Dashboard / Welcome to the D2L Resources Wiki / Getting started Video tour Created by Stephen Gadsby, last modified on Apr 23, 2018 Introductory Tour Video wiki.millersville.edu/display/d2ldocs/Getting+started millersville.desire2learn.com/d2l/systemCheck APPLY VISI GIVE (1) 0.00 / 6.03 **69 2** 

**D2L BRIGHTSPACE (ONLINE COURSES)** Deadline: A.S.A.P. As soon as you have set up your myVILLE account, your next step is to familiarize yourself with D2L Brightspace, Millersville's online Learning Management System. D2L will be your gateway to all of your online courses at Millersville. Visit the following page for tips on how to get started, and check out the introductory video: Before logging into D2L for the first time, be sure to run the System Check to confirm your browser and system are compatible (see page 10 for more information on technology requirements). You can either reach it from the D2L login page, or by visiting the following link: Please keep in mind that there is sometimes a delay of a day or two after activating your myVILLE account before you can access D2L (both systems use the same login credentials). If you have any issues or questions and you can't find a solution here or in the wiki

linked above, call the IT Help Desk at 717-871-7777.

The Office of Online Programs is here to help!
717-871-7200 • OnlinePrograms@millersville.edu
Location: Lyle Hall, Room 212

# ADMISSIONS OVERVIEW

If requesting electronic transcripts, be sure they are sent to us in Online Programs at:

#### OnlinePrograms@millersville.edu

Remember that electronic transcripts are official only if they were sent to us from the school itself.

#### Need to update your info?

The Office of Online Programs can also help if you would like to change personal information such as email, phone, address, or even your name.

If you need to update any of your personal information, please send your request along with your full name and Millersville ID number to OnlinePrograms@millersville.edu or you may also give us a call at 717-871-7200.





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# D2L BRIGHTSPACE (ONLINE COURSES)

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# **ONLINE ORIENTATION (MANDATORY)**

#### Welcome

### **ONLINE STUDENT ORIENTATION (MANDATORY)**

#### Deadline: A.S.A.P. (Mandatory)

All new online students are required to access and complete the Online Student Orientation before beginning classes

(online students are not required to attend in-person orientation). The Online Student Orientation, first available in D2L a few weeks before classes begin, will provide you with everything you need to know to get started as an online student at Millersville University. Here are some items you may expect to find in the Orientation:

- Welcome videos from Dean, Program Chair, and Faculty
- Program Philosophy and Framework
- Policies and Procedures
- Information on Special Program Requirements (Clinicals, etc.)
- Scholarship & Financial Aid Information
- Important Student Information and Resources
- Technical Support and Tips & Tricks

The Orientation is more than just a chance to learn about what to expect as an online student - it is also an opportunity to meet and get to know your professors and fellow students starting alongside you! You will be able to participate in discussion boards where you can introduce yourself and pose any questions you may have.

To access the Online Student Orientation, simply log in to D2L by following the instructions outlined to the right. If you have any questions about accessing the course, either call the Office of Online Programs at 717-871-7200 or the IT Help Desk at 717-871-7777.

For any program-specific questions, or questions relating to course content, you may contact your program's department for further assistance (see page 11 for complete contact information):

• Nursing Department: 717-871-4274

• Nursing students may also contact the Nursing Chair, Dr. Kelly Kuhns, directly at 717-871-5276.

- Business Administration: 717-871-7209
- Social Work: 717-871-7206
- Criminology: 717-871-7477

Please note that the Online Student Orientation is required to be completed before you may begin in your program; online students are not required to attend in-person orientation.

#### **ACCESSING THE ONLINE ORIENTATION IN D2L**

Follow the instructions below to access the Online Orientation once it is available (please keep in mind the Orientation will not become available to you until a few weeks before classes begin):

1. Log on to **D2L Brightspace**. To do so, access the Logins page (on the MU homepage click "LOGINS" in the footer, or just navigate directly to www.millersville.edu/logins). Once there, simply click the Brightspace logo and log in with the same username and password as your myVILLE account.



- Once logged in, click on the Course Selector up top ( (on smaller screens, you may first need to access the menu in the top left). In this list, you will see **Online Orientation**. Be sure to click the pin icon (which ensures the Orientation appears in your My Courses widget) then simply open it from that widget, or the Course Selector itself.
- Once you have entered the Orientation, your first stop is Module 0 | Welcome (alternatively, Introduction). Under the Resource section, click on **Content**, then navigate to Module 0 in the list. Start with everything in Module 0, then move on through Module 1, Module 2, and so on until done.
- Should you have any questions along the way, just ask! On 4. the top of the page, click on **Communication**, then click on **Discussions** (on smaller screens you may first need to access the menu in the top left). Here you can introduce yourself to your professors & fellow classmates, ask general questions, discuss the individual modules, and request further info.

Again, please keep in mind that the Online Orientation will not become available to you until a few weeks before your classes begin. If you believe you should be seeing the Orientation in D2L but it is not appearing in your course list, please contact the Office of Online Programs at 717-871-7200.

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# ASYNCHRONOUS VS. SYNCHRONOUS ONLINE CLASSES

#### **REMEMBER THAT SOME ONLINE COURSES HAVE MEETING TIMES!**

When you think "online", you probably imagine flexible classes that allow you to log in "whenever" and proceed through the course at your own pace, with the only specific dates or times being due dates for assignments. Indeed, many online courses at Millersville are just like this, offered in what is called an asynchronous format, without specific meeting times. Some are even entirely self-paced!

That said, at the other end of the spectrum are **synchronous** courses, which do have meeting times, usually held over Zoom. The frequency of these meetings, as well as whether or not they are optional to attend, will vary by course. To find out if an online course is synchronous or not, look it up in the web schedule, contact your advisor or the course instructor, or just ask us here in Online Programs.

#### In most cases, your transcript evaluation was included with your offer letter. Your evaluation will let your advisor know how previous coursework fits into your academic program.

 Ensure that the Office of Online Programs receives your most recent official academic transcript, as explained on page 4.

**STEP 1: REVIEW YOUR TRANSCRIPT EVALUATION** 

- If you are taking or planning to take any courses at another institution, check out the Transfer Equivalency website at www.mville.us/transfer-equivalency to see what may transfer.
- If you have questions about your evaluation or want to check on the status of a pending update to your evaluation, you can contact the Online Programs Admissions Counselor, Rebecca, at 717-871-7699 or speak with your advisor (see below).

### **STEP 2: CONFIRM ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION**

• If you have already submitted all of your most up-to-date documentation to Online Programs, you are ready to go. Otherwise, be sure to do so as soon as possible. Examples of additional documentation include (but are not limited to):

- License information (e.g., RN license number)
- Permanent residency card (if applicable),
- CLEP or AP Exam scores,
- and so on.

Required additional documentation can vary by program. If you are unsure of whether anything further is required, or if you have any questions at all, give Online Programs a call at 717-871-7200.

#### **STEP 3: SPEAK WITH YOUR ADVISOR**

- Check your offer letter for instructions on connecting with your advisor. Your advisor will help you create a course plan for your degree. Always check with them before enrolling in any courses.
- Familiarize yourself with your Degree Audit (available in MAX). This report helps you understand what class requirements have been completed and what still needs to be taken for your major. Your advisor (and to a limited extent your Student Support Specialist) can assist you in understanding your Degree Audit.
- You may consult with your advisor by email, telephone, or live video chat. If nearby, you are welcome to come by in person! Be

sure to pick up a free day pass (see page 8) before parking.

#### **STEP 4: GET REGISTERED FOR CLASSES**

- As a student enrolled in one of Millersville University's Online Programs, you are guaranteed a seat in all required major courses, and you will be automatically registered for those courses per your advisement. You can view your registration in MAX (courses may not appear until closer to your start date). For other coursework (general education courses, required)
- related courses, electives), consult with your advisor. Then you may register yourself in MAX, or email your Student Support Specialist from your myVILLE email with the courses you need. • If a class is full, you may join the waitlist. If a seat opens up, you will receive notice in your myVILLE email. We suggest signing up for MAX Mobile (found in MAX) to get text messages as well.
- egistrar's Office is here to help
- 717-871-5005 <u>registrar@millersville.edu</u> <u>www.millersville.edu/registrar</u> Location: Lyle Hall, 1st Fl.



# GETTING REGISTERED FOR CLASSES

#### **STEP 5: PURCHASE YOUR TEXTBOOKS**

• Once you have registered or been registered for your classes, be sure to check exactly what textbooks you will require. To do so:

- 1. Log on to MAX.
- 2. Select Student Services.
- 3. Select Bookstore.
- 4. Select one of the following options:
- Bookstore Voucher Request Form

You can request financial aid funds be added to your Marauder Gold account through the Office of Student Accounts. Once these funds are available on your Marauder Gold card, you can use this link to create a voucher for the Online University Bookstore.

or

#### University Bookstore

This link redirects you to the new University Bookstore website to view and purchase course materials.

- 5. After selecting University Bookstore, click Login.
- 6. Enter your myVILLE credentials and click Login.
- 7. Once logged in, you will see a list of courses and assigned materials. Textbooks will be shown in available conditions such as new, used, rental, ebook, and marketplace.
- Keep in mind that some textbooks may be used throughout multiple courses, so you may wish to purchase rather than rent.

### **DROPPING CLASSES**

If you must drop a class for any reason, be sure it is dropped before the semester begins. You may drop it in MAX, or request your Student Support Specialist to assist. If not dropped in time, you may be responsible for all or part of the course's costs, even if you did not attend. Once the semester has started, you can only receive a full refund during the drop/add period, which varies in length depending on how many weeks the class runs:

- Accelerated courses (e.g. RN-to-BSN courses), which last 7 weeks, have a drop/add period of two business days.
- Typical Fall and Spring courses (lasting 15 weeks) have a drop/add period of one full week.

 Winter courses, which last only a month, have a drop/add period of just one business day.

• For details on drop/add dates, please consult the Academic Calendar, which can be found on the Registrar's site at: www.millersville.edu/registrar/academic-calendar

Your Student Support Specialists, Brígh and Kelly, are here to help 717-871-4257 • <u>Brigh.Mento@millersville.edu</u> 717-871-4256 • Kelly.Usbeck@millersville.edu Office of Online Programs • Location: Lyle Hall, Room 212

### **ASSISTANCE THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS**

• Recognizing that much of this may be new to you, we encourage you to reach out with any concerns:

 For any academic questions, contact your advisor, or reach out to your program's department (see page 11). • For any and all non-academic questions, contact us in the Office of Online Programs either by email at OnlinePrograms@millersville.edu or by telephone at 717-871-7200 (be sure to have your M# ready).

#### **E-BILLS**

Student Accounts will send email notification to students at their Millersville email address when their bill becomes available (see the checklist on page 2 for dates). Follow the instructions in the email to VIEW/PRINT/PAY/CLEAR the bill. All bills are processed electronically and may be accessed at any time online in myVILLE. If changes to registration are made after the initial bill, your bill will not be updated; check your balance to see what you may owe.

Keep in mind, your \$40 application fee will be added to your first semester's bill (unless you have already paid an application fee).

#### **CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE**

Millersville bills undergraduate students on a per-credit basis. If students add or drop classes, this will change the initial bill. Log onto myVILLE to view real-time account activity for the current semester. As noted, any changes made after the original bill has been issued will be reflected here.

#### **PAYMENT METHODS**

Millersville University accepts numerous forms of payment, including cash, check, and credit card. For complete information on all accepted payment methods, visit www.millersville.edu/osa/paymentinfo.php.

#### THIRD-PARTY AUTHORIZATION

Third-Party Authorization is found in myVILLE. For details, visit www.millersville.edu/osa/third-partyparent-authorization.php.

In order for partners, parents or other third parties to receive an email when bills are available, have access to online billing and be granted permission to discuss confidential account information with the OSA, Third-Party Authorization is required by law.

#### **TMS PAYMENT PLAN**

Millersville University, in conjunction with Tuition Management Systems (TMS), offers an **OPTIONAL** convenient payment plan, available for the Fall & Spring terms only (unavailable for Summe

#### Approximate deadlines to join are: Coll To Mid Americat\*

Fall lerm:	Mia-August*
Spring Term:	Early January*

Visit www.millersville.edu/osa/installmentplan.php for more details and exact deadline dates. Sign up for this plan and divide your bill into smaller monthly payments, spread over the semester. To take advantage of this offer, contact TMS at 1-800-722-4867 (recommended) or visit them at <u>www.millersville.afford.com</u>.

\*Enrollment in TMS after the tuition due date is subject to a \$25 late fee. To avoid this, sign up for TMS by the due date of your tuition bill.

### **STUDENT REFUNDS**

Expecting a refund? Don't get stuck waiting 14 days for a paper check. Signing up for direct deposit ensures that excess funds are directly deposited into your checking or savings account within 72 hours of an overpayment. Even if you do not utilize Tuition Management Systems (TMS) for a payment plan, all refunds are processed in this system. Register your account with TMS to choose either a paper check or direct deposit, and verify your address. Register your preference at millersvillechoice.afford.com and click on the register tab.

Students Accounts is here to help! 717-871-5101 • www.millersville.edu/osa • Location: Lyle Hall, 2nd Floor

# STUDENT SERVICES—SMARTHINKING ONLINE TUTORING

#### **SMARTHINKING ONLINE TUTORING**

New in 2020, and easily accessible right in D2L Brightspace, students may receive online tutoring through Smarthinking.

Smarthinking provides students with online tutoring that's fast, simple, and convenient. Expert tutors are available up to 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on demand or by appointment across a wide range of subjects. Smarthinking's expert tutors average over nine years of teaching or online tutoring experience, with 90 percent having master's degrees or PhD's. Smarthinking tutors use a pedagogical method tailored to your individual student needs in order to help, encourage, and involve you in understanding the subject matter. Millersville is providing this service free of charge\* so students have access to additional support when they need it. Key features include:

- Immediate, on-demand or by appointment tutoring in a variety of subjects
- Writing feedback returned within 24 hours for various writing assignments
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  Whiteboard interface for easy interaction
  Group tutoring
  And much more!

To log into Smarthinking, students will need to log into D2L, go to the university tab on the navigation bar, hit the down arrow and a link for Smarthinking is found directly under Resources for Student Success. For more details, visit Millersville's wiki page for Smarthinking:

wiki.millersville.edu/display/instructdocs/Smarthinking+Online+Tutoring

#### **PHOTO ID**

Photo IDs are optional for online students. If you would like one (for in-person use of the library, for example), you may submit a photo at www.mville.us/photoid or visit the University



Services Office in Boyer Building, Room 123, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. ID cards can be picked up during normal business hours (please note that at this time, IDs may only be picked up in person). For more information, visit the



As a Millersville University student, you have access to all library resources, both online and in-person, including research help and writing assistance (via the Writing Center). In your program's Online Orientation (see page 5), you can find further details on how to access the library. For additional information, visit the library website at www.library.millersville.edu.

717-871-7111 • Library.Circulation@millersville.edu vww.library.millersville.edu Location: Ganser Hall

### **CHRYST WRITING CENTER**

The Chryst Writing Center is available for all students to assist with your paper-writing needs. 30-minute appointments and walk-in sessions (first-come, first-served) are available in-person at the McNairy Library (Ganser Hall). Online tutoring is available, both syncronously via Zoom as well as asynchronously through email. All services are free of charge. For more details as well as hours, visit the Writing Center's site at:

www.millersville.edu/english/writingcenter/index.php



ter tutors are here to help 717-871-7389 • writing.center@mil Location: McNairy Library (Ganser Hall), Room 106

# **STUDENT SERVICES**





### **UNIVERSITY STORE**

Students may purchase textbooks from the University Store online or in-person. Books can be purchased in advance and held for free in-store pickup, or conveniently shipped for a nominal fee. Be sure to check out the store website for all your textbook and school supply needs, as well as great clothing and gear to show off your Marauder pride! You may find the University Store website at store.studentservicesinc.com. For any questions, call 717-871-7610.



#### **'VILLE DAILY**

Looking to keep up with events in and relating to the 'Ville? Look no further than your own inbox! The 'Ville Daily is a daily newsletter (twice a week during summer and breaks) available to the entire University community, and a great way to learn more about what goes on at Millersville. Check your student email for your copy. You may also find the latest posts and peruse the archive at:

blogs.millersville.edu/villedaily

#### **MU**|ALERT

If you plan to visit campus, be sure to sign up for MU|Alert at mualert.millersville.edu. This system will notify you of any campus emergency, as well as weather closings and delays.



### PARKING

If you wish to visit campus, be sure to come early to stop by the parking office (Lebanon House) for a free day pass. For more frequent visits, you will be required to purchase a parking permit. Parking permits can only be purchased through your student account (MAX). Log in to your MAX account; under the Student Services tab you will find the online permit portal. Once you have applied online and paid for your parking permit, you must stop by the parking office to pick it up. You must have your Millersville ID card or driver's license with you. Parking permits will not be mailed. For more info, visit www.millersville.edu/police/parking.



# FINANCIAL AID/VETERANS/ACCOMMODATIONS

# myVILLE TECH/TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

#### **FINANCIAL AID**

The Office of Financial Aid assists students, regardless of their economic resources, in obtaining the financial assistance necessary to attend Millersville through federal and state aid, loans and scholarships. To find our your eligibility for federal financial aid, you will need to complete the FAFSA application, found at fafsa.ed.gov. Millersville's FAFSA school code is 003325.

If you are planning to purchase books through the University Bookstore, please note that financial aid cannot be used upfront. However, if you are expecting a refund (your expenses are less than your awards), you may apply for a book loan and use that money in the Bookstore. Contact Financial Aid for more information.

Financial aid is available for students planning to attend both full-time (12 credits or more) and part-time (6-11 credits). Aid is also available for summer sessions through a special application. Aid is NOT available for the winter session.

If you drop below 6 credits, you will lose eligibility for financial aid. Be sure to plan your coursework with your advisor accordingly to maintain eligibility as needed.

Some students also receive tuition reimbursement through their employers. Should you have any questions regarding using such assistance towards your bills, contact Financial Aid.

For more info, visit www.millersville.edu/finaid/index.php.

Financial Aid is here to help! 717-871-5100 • fa.mail@millersville.edu . Location: Lyle Hall, 2nd Floor

#### **VETERANS**

The Veterans Certifying Officials in the Office of Financial Aid at Millersville University handles all paperwork for veterans applying for the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) educational benefits. This office is also your link to the DVA in cases of problems with educational benefit processing.

Contact information for the Veterans Certifying Officials: Office of Financial Aid P.O. Box 1002, Millersville, PA 17551 Telephone: 717-871-5100, Fax: 717-871-2248

The VA Certifying Officials can be found in the Office of Financial Aid, which is located in Lyle Hall.

For advisement and registration assistance, veterans may contact Academic and Student Development at vet.advisor@millersville.edu. In addition, this office can also provide resources and support to assist vets in personal and academic transition to the University.

For general information from the American Council on Education (ACE) about receiving academic credit for military training, visit: www.acenet.edu/Programs-Services/Pages/Credit-Transcripts/Military-Guide-Online.aspx

For more info, visit our Veterans Resource Center (VRC) page at www.millersville.edu/finaid/studentinfo/veteran.php.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

The Office of Learning Services provides accommodations for students with developmental, medical, mobility, physical, psychiatric and learning disabilities, both online and in-person.

Students need to complete two basic steps:

- 1. Complete a Special Assistance Request Form for Students with Disabilities.
- 2. Submit official documentation to the Office of Learning Services. Additional information and forms are available at www.millersville.edu/learningservices.

ice of Learning Services is here to help! 717-871-5554 • ō Location: Lyle Hall, Room 352





**WELCOME TO** 

Millersville University! When you purchase a new system, base your decision on your lifestyle. Laptops are attractive for their mobility, though desktop We are here to give you a hand systems are more easily upgraded, more sturdy, and less with any technical questions. vulnerable to theft. Desktop replacement parts are also less costly.

#### **IT HELP DESK**

Online Help: mville.us/help • Phone: 717-871-7777 Email: help@millersville.edu Facebook: Millersville University Info Tech (IT) Call Center Hours (all times are EST): • Fall/Spring: M-Th 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. • F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Summer: M-F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Free in-person technology help for nearby students is also available. For details, visit: **goo.gl/3FNpL2** 

#### **MINIMUM TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS**

Online courses by their very nature require the use of computers. To ensure the best experience during your time as an online

student, be sure to have access to all of the following:

- Webcam (any resolution should do)
- Microphone (built-in or external)
- Broadband (high-speed) Internet

Be certain you have consistent access to high-speed Internet. A reliable connection is required to be able to view course content, submit assignments, and interact with faculty and fellow students.

#### **RECOMMENDED SPECIFICATIONS**

Your computer should meet or exceed the following specifications:

- Any current era processor
- Minimum 4GB RAM (8GB or greater highly recommended) 250GB Storage (or greater)
  - Flash memory or a Solid State Drive (SSD) is highly recommended for speed and reliability.

#### **PURCHASING A NEW COMPUTER**

If your computer does not meet the minimum requirements, you may wish to consider purchasing a new device. Millersville students can receive a discount when purchasing through the following vendors:

- Apple for Education: <u>apple.com/us-hed/shop</u>
- Dell Member Purchase Program: dell.com/MPP (enter member ID: US126334094)
- CDW Millersville: cdwg.com/millersville

See IT's wiki page for more info, found here: goo.gl/ko7cMC We recommend you shop around and compare prices and features to get the best fit for your needs. See the following sections for some general advice on what to look for. If you have any questions, contact the IT Help Desk at 717-871-7777, or contact one of our Student Support Specialists Brígh or Kelly, most easily be reached

by telephone at 717-871-4257 or 717-871-4256 respectively.

#### LAPTOP VS. DESKTOP

A good basic rule: if you are planning to do your schoolwork in multiple places, get a laptop. If you are only planning to do your schoolwork in one place (say, a home office) get a desktop.

#### **MACVS. WINDOWS**

Macintosh computers hold some advantages: they don't require anti-virus software, they tend to be more stable, and they can even run Windows if need be. However, they also tend to be much more expensive than comparable Windows machines. Additionally, most modern Windows computers include a convenient touchscreen, something you won't find on any Mac. Ultimately, choose what you prefer, as both systems can run all required software easily.

#### SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

Primarily, you will require access to a web browser and an office suite. For best compatibility with D2L Brightspace, IT recommends using Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome as your web browser.

For an office suite, we recommend **Microsoft Office 365**, which is available to all Millersville students free of charge. With it you can:

- Install Office on up to 5 compatible Windows and
- Mac computers and/or tablets (including iPad)
- Utilize Office 365 online in a browser
- Use OneDrive for online file storage

For more information on acquiring Office 365, visit IT's page on the wiki: wiki.millersville.edu/display/ittac/Office+365

#### **vLAB VIRTUAL DESKTOP**

vLab Virtual Desktop is available to all students and delivers a fully-functional Windows 10 computer lab desktop to your personal device over the Internet. Keep in mind, this is not a persistant desktop, so you will need to save your data to an external drive or the cloud, or it will be completely lost. For more information, visit: wiki.millersville.edu/display/ittac/vLab

### **BACKUP SOLUTIONS**

Regular backups are absolutely essential, and all computers come with backup software. You'll just need external storage to save the backup (it must be at least as large as your computer's hard drive). Best practice is to keep multiple redundant backups in different physical locations (e.g. one in a secure place at work, one at home). This "3-2-1" backup rule makes all the difference if disaster strikes.

While not technically a backup, another option is to save your work

in the cloud, which allows you to access your data from anywhere.

OneDrive (see above) is one such service. It is highly recommended

you save your data to OneDrive when utilizing the vLab. Information Technology is here to help! 717-871-7777 • <u>www.millersville.edu/inf</u>

Location: Boyer Building (door to left of front, look for TAC)

# **IMPORTANT CONTACTS—WE ARE HERE TO HELP!**



**OFFICE OF ONLINE PROGRAMS:** 717-871-7200 OnlinePrograms@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/online Location: Lyle Hall, Room 212

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ACCOUNTS:** 717-871-5101 osa@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/osa Location: Lyle Hall, 2nd Floor

#### **FINANCIAL AID:**

717-871-5100 Fa.mail@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/finaid Location: Lyle Hall, 2nd Floor

#### **REGISTRAR'S OFFICE:**

717-871-5005 registrar@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/registrar Location: Lyle Hall, 1st Floor

#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:**

717-871-7777 Help@millersville.edu mville.us/help www.millersville.edu/infotech Location: Boyer Building (look for TAC)

#### **UNIVERSITY STORE (BOOKSTORE):**

717-871-7610 store@ssi.millersville.edu mville.store

Location: Student Memorial Center (SMC)

**MCNAIRY LIBRARY:** 717-871-7111 Library.Circulation@millersville.edu www.library.millersville.edu Location: Ganser Hall

WRITING CENTER: 717-871-7389

writing.center@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/english/writingcenter Location: McNairy Library (Ganser Hall), Rm. 106

**LEARNING SERVICES:** 717-871-5554 learning.services@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/learningservices Location: Lyle Hall, Room 352

**OFFICE OF DIVERSITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE:** 717-871-4473 ODSJ@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/dsj Location: Washington House

#### **CAMPUS INFORMATION:** 717-871-4636 (871-INFO) Location: Student Memorial Center (SMC)

**POLICE & PARKING:** Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: 717-871-4357 (871-HELP) Alternative Non-emergency: 717-897-0967 www.millersville.edu/police www.millersville.edu/police/parking Location: Lebanon House



**NURSING:** 717-871-4274 Nursing@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/nursing Location: Caputo Hall, Room 127

**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION:** 717-871-7209 buadm@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/buadm

Location: McComsey Hall, 3rd Floor

**SOCIAL WORK:** 717-871-7206 (BSW) Christine.Kolenda@millersville.edu www.millersville.edu/socialwork Location: Stayer Hall, Room 301

### CRIMINOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY & ANTHROPOLOGY: 717-871-7477 Terri.Hollister@millersville.edu

www.millersville.edu/socanth Location: McComsey Hall, Room 233



#### From Baltimore and south:

Take Route I-83 north to Route 30 east. Take exit for Route 741 east. Then follow "From Route 741."

#### From Harrisburg and west:

Take Route 283 east. Take exit for Route 741 east. Then follow "From Route 741."

Take Exit 19/247 (Harrisburg East) onto Route 283 east. Take exit for Route 741 east. Then follow "From Route 741."

#### From the PA Turnpike, traveling west:

Take Exit 21/286 (Reading/Lancaster) and follow Route 222 south to Route 30 west. From Route 30, take exit for Route 741 east. Then follow "From Route 741."

#### From Route 30:

Take exit for Route 741 east. Then follow "From Route 741."

#### From Route 222, traveling south:

Take the exit for Route 30 west, then take exit for Route 741 east. Then follow "From Route 741."

### From Route 741: On Route 741 east, the name Rohrerstown Road will change to

From downtown

Lancaster:

From the PA Turnpike, traveling east:

there," below.

Almost there:

After the second traffic light (after Route 741), watch for the fork in the road and bear left onto George Street. Follow George Street. After you cross West Cottage Ave., you will see University buildings on either side. Watch for brick entrance signs on the right.

WELCOME TO MILLERSVILLE Purchase your books, in advance, on our website. We will ship them to you or hold them for pickup.

THE University mville.store SERVICES Support the store that supports you!

# GETTING TO MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY



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Millersville Road. About four miles beyond Route 30, turn right at the light onto Route 999. Follow "Almost there," below.

Go west on Orange Street, turn left on Charlotte Street and then bear right onto Manor Street. It will become Route 999 (Manor Avenue). When you cross Route 741 (Millersville Road), follow "Almost

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Cumberland House
Dauphin House
Delaware House
Dilworth Building
Duncan Alumni House
Dutcher Hall
East Village
Francine G. McNairy Library & Learning Forum (at Ganser Ha <b>ll</b> )
Franklin House
Fulton House

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Hash Building	42
Healthy Living Apartments (Affiliated Housing)	59
Huntingdon House	<b>48</b>
Inventor's Workshop	72
Jefferson Hall	3
Juniata House	32
Lancaster House	11
Lebanon House (Police)	27
Lehigh Ha <b>ll</b>	13

ombardo Welcome Center	55
uzerne Building	69
_yle Hall	20
McComsey Ha <b>ll</b>	74
McComsey Tennis Courts	75
Mercer House	15
Mifflin House	9
Montgomery House	87
Montour House	50
Nichols House	82
Northampton House	16
Northumberland House	6
Osburn Ha <b>ll</b>	<b>64</b>

Palmer Building	84	Ropes Course	92	Tin Shop	37
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Philadelphia House	26	Schuylkill House	17	Performing Arts Center	
Pike House	18	Shenks Hall (Affiliated Housing)	60	(not shown on map) 42 N. Prince St., Lancaster, PA	
Pole Barn	88	Softhall Field	90	Water Tower	1
Potter House	10	Somerset House	29	Washington House	52
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Pucillo Gymnasium	89	Student Memorial Center	53	Performing Arts Center	
Reighard Hall	57	Susan P. Luek Hall	63	Witmer Building	41
(Affiliated Housing)	5/	Susquehanna House	73	(Health Services)	
Roddy Ha <b>ll</b>	81	Tanger House	22	York House	8

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