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# MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

August 2023

Welcome, Spartan!

We are excited to have you on campus. Whether you're living with us for the first time or returning to MSU, we're happy to be moving forward and kicking off the 2023-24 academic year together.

As a member of the Spartan community, you have many opportunities for engagement and resources available to support you in making the most of your journey at MSU.

You, our students, bring unique perspectives, varied talents, innumerable interests, and so much more to this learning community. Your input and involvement help make us better. We encourage you to expand your knowledge and perspectives through interaction with people from different cultures, life experiences and backgrounds. Getting to know your fellow Spartans is part of the college experience.



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As you explore campus and familiarize yourself with your peers, you will face many decisions. We urge you to make those decisions with care, both for yourself and your fellow Spartans. Your safety, health and well-being are of the utmost importance to us.

Team members within the Division of Student Life & Engagement are always available to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have upon your arrival and throughout your career at MSU. Please feel free to call or stop by our offices and let us know how we can support you.

We hope you have a successful, challenging, fun year at MSU. We can't wait to see what you do!

Go Green!

Vennie Gore

Senior Vice President for Student Life & Engagement  
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## Online Resources

**STUINFO >**  
[stuinfo.msu.edu](http://stuinfo.msu.edu)  
StuInfo is MSU's online student database. You will use it to view your class schedule; review your course, credit, and GPA history; view your student account, billing history, and information about loans and financial aid.

**ADVISING APPOINTMENT SYSTEM >**  
[msu.campuslabs.com](http://msu.campuslabs.com)  
The Student Success Dashboard is where students schedule appointments with their academic advisors. Each college website includes information about academic advising, including how to make an appointment with an academic advisor.

**DEGREE NAVIGATOR >**  
[degnav.msu.edu](http://degnav.msu.edu)  
Degree Navigator (DN) is a web-based advising tool that allows you to track the progress you are making toward your degree, give you a better understanding of degree requirements, and explore the requirements of alternative majors. Many students use this tool to prepare for appointments with their academic advisors.

**D2L/DESIRE TO LEARN >**  
[d2l.msu.edu](http://d2l.msu.edu)  
Many professors use MSU's online learning management system, D2L. Features of this system include access to the course syllabus, resources, and messages from your course instructor, a calendar tab that

allows you to view assignments, tools that provide homework submission and quiz options.

**SPARTAN MAIL >**  
[spartanmail.msu.edu](http://spartanmail.msu.edu)  
Your Spartan Mail account is the only email address that the university uses to send you official communications, including confidential messages from the Registrar's Office. You must check this email account regularly. Certain messages may be time-sensitive.

**MSU CALENDAR >**  
[spartanmail.msu.edu](http://spartanmail.msu.edu)  
Your Spartan Mail account offers a calendar feature. All students should use some type of calendar-print, electronic, an app-to keep track of important dates (e.g. when assignments are due, work schedule). Make sure you consult the University's Academic Calendar on a regular basis.

**COURSE ENROLLMENT >**  
[schedule.msu.edu/instructions.aspx](http://schedule.msu.edu/instructions.aspx)  
The enrollment system is part of MSU's Schedule of Courses. This system includes several useful tools, including the "open seat notification", which allows you to request a text or email alert for an open seat; the "schedule generator", which generates a number of possible course schedules specific to your needs; and the "textbooks and supplemental materials" tool which indicates what materials are required for each of your courses.

**MSU GUIDE >**  
[available on Apple Store](http://available.on.apple.store)  
This unique mapping app helps all first-year students, staff, and visitors find their way around campus. The app includes a map tool, a search tool, and a wand tool that allows you to point your phone at any building to find out the building name and location of accessible entrances.

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION  
(NSO) AND TRANSITIONS  
WEBSITE >**  
[undergrad.msu.edu/programs/nso](http://undergrad.msu.edu/programs/nso)  
This site includes information about how to meet other new students, set and achieve your academic goals, plan for your major and career. Students have created resources (vlogs, videos, stories, tips, etc.), based on their college transition, to help you transition to college. Professors, advisors, and other staff have also shared resources and tips. Use this site all year long and share your tips [nso@msu.edu](mailto:nso@msu.edu).





## SPARTAN CODE OF HONOR Academic Pledge

“As a Spartan, I will strive to uphold values of the **highest ethical standard**. I will practice honesty in my work, foster honesty in my peers, and take pride in knowing that **honor is worth more than grades**. I will carry these values beyond my time as a student at Michigan State University, continuing the endeavor to build personal integrity in all that I do.”



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# Arrival Information

## WELCOME NEW SPARTANS!

Welcome to Michigan State University! See the detailed move-in timeline at [liveon.msu.edu](https://liveon.msu.edu). We invite you to participate in the Fall Welcome activities planned in residence halls and throughout campus, Tuesday, August 22 through Sunday, August 27.

Note: Some activities are required. Please look at the complete Fall Welcome schedule of events at [fallwelcome.msu.edu](https://fallwelcome.msu.edu). To access your personalized Fall Welcome schedule visit the Fall Welcome website at [fallwelcome.msu.edu](https://fallwelcome.msu.edu). Your personalized schedule contains all of the times and locations of the Fall Welcome sessions that you are expected to attend.

We are glad that you are here!

### STAY UP-TO-DATE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING

Your MSU email is the best place to keep up to date on what is happening in your neighborhood and at MSU. Be sure to check your MSU email daily, follow @MSULiveOn on social media and visit [liveon.msu.edu](https://liveon.msu.edu) to stay in the loop. You'll also see events on bulletin boards, table tents and digital screens in your halls. New students are encouraged to participate in Spartan Compass first-year experience programming. Learn more about this program and other hall and campus resources at [liveon.msu.edu](https://liveon.msu.edu). The State News is a great way to stay current with campus and is available in residence hall lobbies, entrances to academic buildings and online at [statenews.com](https://statenews.com). Your subscription to The State News is included in your MSU registration.

### RESIDENCE HALLS

Incoming students will live on campus for two years as part of the two-year live-on requirement. During your time at MSU you will be part of many different

communities. You will connect with fellow Spartans on your floor and residence hall, in your MSU Neighborhood and across campus. Representatives from your hall's student government and caucuses, as well as hall staff will be happy to answer your questions and help you get settled at MSU. The On-Campus Housing Handbook is a great resource for rules and policies: [:liveon.msu.edu/Documents](https://liveon.msu.edu/Documents).

Residence Education and Housing Services (REHS) and the Office of Cultural and Academic Transitions (OCAT) staff are dedicated to creating a safe, sustainable, and inclusive residential environment. These teams are here to help you be academically successful, explore new ideas, nurture your passions, create new traditions, embrace your independence, persist toward graduation and ultimately, have an outstanding Spartan experience.

### MAIL AND CARE PACKAGES

[liveon.msu.edu/hall-life](https://liveon.msu.edu/hall-life) Mail should be addressed to an individual student resident or MSU employee working within a residence hall using the residence hall room number and appropriate ZIP+4 code.

STUDENT'S NAME (Please use the name on student's MSU ID card)  
HALL NAME  
STREET NUMBER AND NAME  
HALL NAME AND ROOM NUMBER  
EAST LANSING, MI 48825

To locate the street number and name, go to the [campus address](#) page and put the name of the residence hall in the field box at the bottom of the page.

### ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT

Student Life & Engagement is the largest employer on campus. We hire thousands of Spartans each year in the residence halls, dining services, Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, Recreational Sports and Facilities Services, Breslin Student Events Center, and various administrative offices. Starting a job early in the semester

can help you acclimate to campus while meeting new people, building relationships and establishing a schedule. For more information or to apply online, visit [jobs.sle.msu.edu](https://jobs.sle.msu.edu).

## LINEN, LAUNDRY AND YOU

If you live in the residence halls, you are able to participate in the free linen service. A linen package includes two sheets, one pillowcase, and two towels. You can pick up your first package from the Service Center when you check in and then exchange it weekly. You need to supply your own pillow, blanket and comforter.

Did you know? In addition to free linen service, all on-campus residents have access to FREE laundry machines in each residence hall! Students supply their own detergent, and they should follow the laundry instructions and tips posted in each laundry room.

## ON-CAMPUS DINING

At MSU, Spartans have access to some of the best dining available on college campuses. Our award-winning dining program, with a team of chefs, bakers and sous chefs, strives to meet the ever-changing needs of student nutrition. So, whether you seek grab & go meals, a satisfying sit-down meal, gluten or nut-free options, vegetarian or vegan, we're able to accommodate you. Each dining hall features their own unique restaurants. There's also Sparty's mini-market locations, Sparty's Market grocery store, and additional retail locations such as food courts, Panera and Starbucks, so there are plenty of options to suit your taste. Additionally, we're very proud of our award-winning all-you-care-to-eat dining hall, Thrive at Owen Hall. It's an allergen-free dining hall certified free from the Big 9 allergens (eggs, milk, soy, wheat, peanuts, tree nuts, fish, shellfish, sesame), and gluten. MSU Bakers, which provides baked goods to the dining halls, is also nut-friendly.

Dining options are available from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., daily. Select retail locations are open 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., so no Spartan will ever go hungry! Plus, our Transact mobile app makes it even easier to get a custom meal ready to pick up when you need it. For more information about dining at MSU, please visit [eatatstate.com](https://eatatstate.com).

## SPARTAN CASH

Spartan Cash is a debit program that is available to all students. Accounts can be used at over 100 locations – both on- and off-campus. View a complete list of participating vendors and open your Spartan Cash account online at [spartancash.com](https://spartancash.com). Make your MSU ID card work for you!

## NEIGHBORHOOD ENGAGEMENT CENTERS

At MSU, every undergraduate student is a part of a Neighborhood where they have access to resources to succeed academically, gain global perspectives, make connections, learn by doing, and live a healthy life. The Neighborhoods bring MSU resources to where students live and connect. The Engagement Centers are unique spaces located

in each neighborhood and serve as the main access points to important resources such as neighborhood advisors, tutors, help rooms, health practitioners, and other resources that can help you navigate through your college career. Services available in the neighborhoods include: academic advising; assistance with math coursework, writing papers, and other academic subjects; recreation and fitness programs; health clinic; intercultural dialogues; and exploring majors and careers. When you have a question, need support or want to connect with other Spartans, visit the Engagement Center in your neighborhood.

### THE NEIGHBORHOODS

**BRODY:** Emmons, Bailey, Armstrong, Bryan, Rather, Butterfield, Apartments

**NORTH:** Abbot, Mason, Phillips, Snyder, Campbell, Gilchrist, Landon, Mayo, Williams, Yakeley, Off Campus Students

**RIVER TRAIL:** McDonel, Shaw, Owen, Van Hoosen Apartments, Hubbard, Holmes, Akers

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## STUDENT IDS

Each student of Michigan State University is issued a Spartan Card following initial enrollment which is your university identification (ID) card. This card is valid throughout your entire academic career at MSU.

Library privileges, access to university buildings, facilities and classrooms, and purchase of tickets and entry to athletic and entertainment events may require the possession and presentation of the ID card upon request.

The card is also used for meal plans and Spartan Cash. The ID is the property of Michigan State University and is non-transferable.

Alteration, falsification, or misuse of the ID card is a violation of General Student Regulation 5.00 and other regulations as applicable. Each student is responsible for all use of the ID card whether authorized or unauthorized. The ID card should not be loaned or left where it might be used by an unauthorized person.

Your first ID card is issued to you at no cost. Replacement cards are \$20.

Undergraduate students who are admitted to MSU should receive an email by July 1 which will allow the students to reply with a photo to upload to their ID card. Students who submit an approved photo by August 15 will have their cards available for expedited pick up at 1201 STEM building August 26-29th. Students who did not participate in online photo submission or were not eligible can go to the ID Office located in the International Center, 427 N. Shaw Lane, Room 170. A government issued photo ID such as a driver's license, State ID or passport is needed to obtain your ID.

For more information, you can call (517) 355-4500 or send an email to [idooffice@msu.edu](mailto:idooffice@msu.edu). Please visit our website: [idooffice.msu.edu](http://idooffice.msu.edu) for our list of current operating hours.

## BIKE, BUS, FEET AND SOMETIMES CAR

The question to this answer is: "How do I get around on campus?" Bikes are a great way to move from place to place on campus. They should be registered with the MSU Police Department or the City of East Lansing, if you are living off-campus. You'll want to buy a good lock for your bike—the Community Police Officers at MSU recommend that you buy a U-lock. Some residence halls have indoor storage areas for your bike.

If you are stuck in bad weather while biking or need to get your bike to campus or the River Trail, you and your bike can take a Capital Area Transportation Authority (CATA) bus. All large buses have bike racks that can accommodate up to three bikes. In a few seconds you can load your bike, board the bus, and be on your way! There is no charge for using the bike rack.

CATA keeps MSU moving with bus service on-campus, 24 hours, seven days a week during fall and spring semesters. An agreement with MSU provides free on-campus service to all students, staff and faculty. Free rides are offered on Routes (#30-36, 38 & 39).

Weekday campus service —Six routes (#30-33, 38 & 39) serve campus Monday - Friday starting at 7:00 a.m. Service runs as late as 2:30 a.m. with some routes concluding earlier in the evening.

Weekend campus service — Three routes (#34-36) operate from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 a.m.

Lot Link is a curb-to-curb service operating 7:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. weekdays and 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. weekends. Buses travel between parking lots #80, 83, 89 or 91 and any campus locations. All rides must start or end at one of the four lots. Service is also available to/from Spartan Village Monday through Friday during regular service hours. Call (517) 432-8888 to request a ride.

Night Owl serves campus when

the other routes conclude for the evening. Service operates from 2:00 a.m. until 7:00 a.m. (until 9:00 a.m. on the weekends). Rides are curb-to-curb on a request basis by calling (517) 432-8888.

Both Lot Link and Night Owl require a 60-cent student cash fare, \$1.25 regular cash fare or bus pass to ride.

Schedules are subject to change without notice. Customers are encouraged to visit [cata.org](http://cata.org) for the most current service information.

CATA also has off-campus routes serving campus. You can take buses to class, visit friends, go to the mall, see a movie—just about anything you need to do to learn, work or have fun! Off-campus routes will require a cash fare or bus pass to ride. Students pay 60-cents to ride when they show their valid MSU ID. Transfers are free when you ask for a transfer upon boarding your first off-campus bus. If you plan to ride off-campus often, student bus passes are easy and affordable at \$50 for a semester pass and \$18 for a 31-day pass. Passes are sold online at [cata.org](http://cata.org), MSU ID Office, and select area merchants.

## WAYS TO OBTAIN BUS SCHEDULE INFORMATION

Transit is CATA's recommended app for real-time departures, bus tracking and comprehensive trip planning options. The free app is available on iPhone and Android devices. Trip planning is also available online at [cata.org](http://cata.org). For next departures, text your bus stop number to 76123 to receive next bus real-time departures from your location. Printed schedules and maps are located in most residence halls and key locations across campus. CATA Customer Experience Representatives are also available weekdays from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on weekends to assist customers. Call (517) 394- 1000 or email [info@cata.org](mailto:info@cata.org). Walking is probably the most

## ARRIVAL INFORMATION

common form of transportation on-campus. It is the most reliable mode (no flat tires) and it is great exercise! Freshmen living on-campus can't have cars. Other students must register their cars with the Vehicle Office of the MSU Police Department. Be sure to read parking policies carefully and pay close attention to signs when you, your family or friends park on-campus.

The MSU/CATA Transportation Center - This indoor public transit facility is the main boarding center for CATA bus routes serving campus. It is located on the ground level of the Shaw Ramp (Ramp 1), between North and South Shaw Lanes, just east of the MSU Planetarium.

Convenient amenities include phone access to CATA Customer Experience Representative and ride request line, printed maps and timetables, direct access to the Shaw Ramp (Ramp 1), comfortable indoor seating areas, ATM, vending machines, and restrooms. The facility is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Those who drive to campus and park in the Shaw Ramp (Ramp 1) can easily board a CATA bus from the same location for a convenient inter-modal commute.

Transportation for students with disabilities, call CATA at (517) 432-8888 for information on Spec-Tran curb-to-curb transportation. Students must be certified as eligible to ride Spec-Tran at the campus Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD). Call RCPD at (517) 353-9642.

## ASMSU SAFE RIDE PROGRAM

Safe Ride is a service provided to members of the Michigan State University community as a safe and free alternative to walking alone after dark. University Safe Ride programs are proven to reduce assault-related dangers and drunk driving both on- and off-campus. The service is provided through the ASMSU Student Tax. For more information visit [asmsu.msu.edu/services/safe-ride/](https://asmsu.msu.edu/services/safe-ride/).

## PREVENTION, OUTREACH AND EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The Prevention, Outreach and Education (POE) Department educates the campus community about sexual and relationship violence prevention. Their work is driven by their mission to empower community commitment to prevent gender-based violence through education, outreach and social change. In their first academic year at MSU, all first year and transfer students will enroll in a one-time training designated to promote safety, improve quality of life and empower them to be active bystanders against violence within their community. Additional trainings are provided for specialized populations and communities around campus. POE also employs students as Peer Educators and convenes a student advisory council as a platform to inform prevention initiatives at MSU. For more information please visit [poe.msu.edu](https://poe.msu.edu).

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## STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

MSU values and promotes participation by people with disabilities in all aspects of campus life. The Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD) upholds a mission to lead MSU in maximizing ability and opportunity for full participation. The RCPD is available to faculty, staff and students to foster understanding of the opportunities and responsibilities under disability-related legislation.

Registration with the RCPD is essential for students and employees with disabilities in order to facilitate timely and effective assistance. Staff at the RCPD are ready with information, resources, and guidance for the campus community in support of full inclusion. Visit us at [rcpd.msu.edu](http://rcpd.msu.edu) or call (517) 884-RCPD for further assistance.

## STUDENT VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER

Veterans, active service members, and spouses and dependents enrolled at MSU who are seeking information for both on- or off-campus services, including VA benefits and programs, are

encouraged to visit SVRC or call (517) 884-5973 for more information. The Student Veterans Resource Center (SVRC) is in room 8 of the Student Services Building. The SVRC offers a lounge area, free printing, study rooms, and conference room for student use. The SVRC also provides information for the family members of service members and veterans. Visit our website for more information at [veterans.msu.edu](http://veterans.msu.edu) or email [veterans@msu.edu](mailto:veterans@msu.edu).

## Orientation Information ON-CAMPUS HOUSING MOVE-IN

Students living on campus will select an available move-in time between Tuesday, August 22, and Thursday, August 24. More information is available at [liveon.msu.edu/move-in](http://liveon.msu.edu/move-in).

There will be many Fall Welcome activities offered as students arrive to campus. Please look at the complete Fall Welcome schedule of events in the center pull-out section of this book and online at [fallwelcome.msu.edu](http://fallwelcome.msu.edu). Hall events will be shared by your Residence Education team.

## COMMUTER/ OFF-CAMPUS AND TRANSFER STUDENT MEETING

This joint session will be hosted on Sunday, August 27 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the MSU Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center Big Ten Rooms ABC for all New First Year MSU commuter/off-campus students (students who do not reside on campus) and new MSU transfer students (students who previously attended another post-secondary institution). **New Commuter/Off-Campus and Transfer Students are strongly encouraged to attend this session.**

Light refreshments will be served. Information on making MSU your "home away from home" and an opportunity to meet fellow commuting Spartans are the goals of this session. Important information about such topics as transfer of credits, parking, and feeling connected to MSU will be highlighted. For additional information visit our website at [spartanexperiences.msu.edu/fall-welcome/commuter-connection.html](http://spartanexperiences.msu.edu/fall-welcome/commuter-connection.html).

## DISCOUNTED HOTEL ROOM INFORMATION

For your convenience, commuter students can reserve a discounted hotel room at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center during the Fall Welcome period. This will provide commuter students an opportunity to stay close to campus during Fall Welcome and enjoy the excellent amenities of the Kellogg Center. Call the Kellogg Center and ask for the Fall Welcome commuter rate, and reserve your room today. The phone number for the Kellogg Center is: (517) 432-4000 and the website for the Kellogg Center is: [kelloggcenter.com/](http://kelloggcenter.com/).

## STUDENT PARENT RESOURCE CENTER

The Student Parent Resource Center (SPRC) coordinates information, resources, and University initiatives to support





student-parents managing academics and family life. Students may contact the SPRC Director at (517) 432-3745 or [sprc@msu.edu](mailto:sprc@msu.edu) for information about programs and services, including regular child care, emergency backup child care, sick child care, student parent peer groups, financial assistance, campus and community involvement opportunities, and other resource referrals.

## CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGED LEARNING

The MSU Center for Community Engaged Learning (CCEL) prepares students for lifelong civic and social responsibility. Students may engage with community through volunteer opportunities; the community engagement scholars program; service-focused Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) including Alternative Spartan Breaks, Spartans Rebuilding Michigan, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, and more; service recognition programs such as

the Spartan Volunteer Service Award (SVSA); and community-engaged courses. The Center offers a variety of resources to support student community engagement including assistance with transportation, volunteer placements, and orientations/workshops focused on best practices when working with communities. Contact information: Student Services Building, 556 East Circle Drive, email [communityengagedlearning@vps.msu.edu](mailto:communityengagedlearning@vps.msu.edu). Phone (517) 353-4400.

## SPARTAN REMIX

Spartan Remix is MSU's Annual Multicultural Welcome Festival that takes place each fall on the Thursday after Labor Day. This unique event is a celebration of art, music, and culture where diverse communities come together in celebration, education and pride of their communities. The Office of Cultural & Academic Transitions (OCAT) coordinates the event with a diverse group of students who volunteer to be part of the Spartan Remix Planning Committee. This year the

event will take place on Thursday, September 7th at northeast corner of Munn Field by the Munn Arena. For more information, you can email [ocat@msu.edu](mailto:ocat@msu.edu) or follow us on Instagram at [@ocatmsu](https://www.instagram.com/ocatmsu) and [@msuremix](https://www.instagram.com/msuremix) for the most updated information.

## THE GENDER AND SEXUALITY CAMPUS CENTER

The The Gender and Sexuality Campus Center (GSCC) is a student-centered campus resource that works to celebrate, affirm, and empower LGBTQIA2S+ members of the Michigan State University community. Through education, engagement, advocacy, and student support, we work to create an inclusive campus culture for people of all genders and sexual identities. We provide intersectional educational and social programming and collaborate with student leaders and campus partners to build community and increase a sense of belonging. We strive to support LGBTQIA2S+ students' personal, academic, and



professional success by offering mentorship, one-on-one support, and leadership development. Our trainings and workshops provide the opportunity for the exploration of personal identity and in the development of ally practices. All members of the MSU community are welcome at the GSCC. Our Center is a place for building community, meeting new friends, learning about gender and sexuality, and just hanging out. Stop by 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 302 to learn more! Phone: (517) 353-9520, email: [gsc@msu.edu](mailto:gsc@msu.edu), website: [gsc.msu.edu](http://gsc.msu.edu).

## Academic Resources

### ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES

Enrollment Procedures: Log in at [student.msu.edu](http://student.msu.edu) and click the Class Search tile. There you can add courses to your shopping cart, drop, add, and swap enrolled course. Schedule of Classes is open to new students after they meet with their advisor and are given the approval to enroll. You will be able to adjust your schedule online in Schedule of Classes according to the instructions you have been given.

### THE NEIGHBORHOOD STUDENT SUCCESS COLLABORATIVE

[The Neighborhood Student Success Center \(NSSC\)](#) is committed to empowering students to pursue knowledge, access resources, and develop skills needed for intellectual, social, local, and global success. These skills instill a life-long desire to learn and affect positive change in the world. NSSC brings together the key elements necessary to help students transition from high school successfully, helps students graduate in less time with greater success, and to guide students toward activities that are designed to enhance their personal and professional growth. We provide services through our five Neighborhood Engagement Centers.

#### Exploratory Preference Major

Many students come to the university uncertain about a preferred area of academic interest. Other students find their academic interests shift or expand as they are introduced to the many and varied academic experiences associated with attendance at the University. The Exploratory Preference major option allows students to investigate the wide variety of majors available at Michigan State University. NSSC advisors assist students with major and career advice, as well as course selection.

#### University Advising

University Advisors are housed in each Engagement Center across campus. They assist students with adjusting to university life, guide students in the selection of a major, facilitate and support academic skill building, and make appropriate referrals to enable students to take advantage of other resources and services the university offers. University Advisors' efforts are intended to promote self-sufficiency, self-responsibility and self-development which will enable students to achieve academic, career and life goals long after their days on the MSU campus have passed.

Students who declare major preferences are assigned to academic advisors in the colleges of their major preferences. However, the services and professional advisors in the Neighborhood Engagement Centers are also available to these students.

#### Neighborhood Engagement Centers

At MSU, every undergraduate student is a part of a Neighborhood where they have access to resources to succeed academically, gain global perspectives, make connections, learn by doing, and live a healthy life. The Engagement Centers are unique spaces located in each neighborhood and serve as the main access points to important

resources such as neighborhood advisors, tutors, help rooms, health practitioners, and other resources that can help you navigate through your college career. Services available in the neighborhoods include: academic advising; assistance with math coursework, writing papers, and other academic subjects; recreation and fitness programs; health clinic; intercultural dialogues; and exploring majors and careers. When students have a question, need support or want to connect with other Spartans, they can visit the Engagement Center in their neighborhood.

While students are encouraged to visit the Engagement Center in their Neighborhood, students can visit an Engagement Center in any of the locations listed below.

#### Brody Neighborhood Engagement Center

Brody Hall (517) 884-6670

#### North Neighborhood Engagement Center

MSU Union (517) 884-4050

#### River Trail Neighborhood Engagement Center

McDonel Hall (517) 884-4080

#### South Neighborhood Engagement Center

Holden Hall (517) 884-6680

#### East Neighborhood Engagement Center

Hubbard Hall (517) 884-3501

For more information about NSSC programs, maps, or to schedule an appointment visit: [nssc.msu.edu](http://nssc.msu.edu).

## MSU LIBRARIES

**MSU has two major library buildings:** the Main Library and the Gast Business Library, located in the basement of the College of Law building. Please see hours of the Main Library and all other Library spaces at [lib.msu.edu/hours](http://lib.msu.edu/hours).

**Research Help:** You can ask questions online 24/7/365 at [lib.msu.edu/contact/askalib](http://lib.msu.edu/contact/askalib). Search our millions of books

## ACADEMIC RESOURCES

and journal articles at [lib.msu.edu](http://lib.msu.edu). Librarians are available for in-person assistance at the Main Library. See the hours for the Reference Desk on our hours website.

### Textbooks and Course Reserves:

The library has many textbooks on reserve for short-term checkout at the Main Library Circulation Desk and Gast Business Library. Many classes also have course reserves both online and some in print. Visit [lib.msu.edu/resources/reserves](http://lib.msu.edu/resources/reserves) to

**Quiet Study:** The East Wing of the Main Library is reserved for quiet study. The West Wing of the Main Library is for collaborative study, and there are a number of first-come, first-served group study rooms. See Discover Library Spaces at [lib.msu.edu/library-spaces](http://lib.msu.edu/library-spaces) to see other spaces that are available, including reservable group study rooms.

**Reflection Room:** The Libraries have a Reflection Room on 2 East for prayer and quiet

**The Spartan Life Handbook** contains information on University services, regulations, and rights and responsibilities for both undergraduate and graduate students. View the Spartan Life Handbook and Resource Guide full edition online at [spartanexperiences.msu.edu/about/handbook/index.html](http://spartanexperiences.msu.edu/about/handbook/index.html).

**Academic Programs:** Contact an academic advisor in the Neighborhood Student Success Collaborative (NSSC) [nssc.msu.edu](http://nssc.msu.edu), or in the college of your major preference.

**Use Degree Navigator**, MSU's visual advising tool, to learn degree requirements in all majors. For more information visit our website at [degnav.msu.edu](http://degnav.msu.edu).

**Read the Academic Programs catalog** for academic policies, regulations and descriptions of all academic programs on the web at [reg.msu.edu](http://reg.msu.edu).

**Access the Descriptions of Courses** catalog to view all courses offered by MSU, semester offering, credit hours, and prerequisites by clicking on the course number in the Schedule of Courses.

## NEED ASSISTANCE? WE CAN HELP!

In-hall Residence Education and Housing Services staff are here to assist you. Talk to your resident assistant, intercultural aide, residence director or community director if you have questions. You can interact with us on social media by following @MSULiveOn or contact the Housing Assignments Office directly by phone at (517) 884-5483 or by email at [liveon@msu.edu](mailto:liveon@msu.edu).

**If you live off-campus:** Contact the MSU Community Liaison, 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 162, (517) 432-7527 or [csli@msu.edu](mailto:csli@msu.edu).

**General Information:** Office of Spartan Experiences staff members, 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 101, (517) 355-8286, are available to answer questions from new students Monday-Friday, from



find out what's on reserve for your class and where it's located.

### Check out equipment:

Hollander Makerspace has a wide variety of equipment for checkout, including cameras, sewing machines, and microphones. See a complete list at [lib.msu.edu/makerspace/borrow](http://lib.msu.edu/makerspace/borrow).

**Book paging:** Students may use the library catalog at [catalog.lib.msu.edu](http://catalog.lib.msu.edu) to find books and request them in advance. Library staff will retrieve books and hold them at the Circulation desk in the Main Library or the Circulation Desk at the Business Library. Students will be notified by email when paged books are ready for pickup.

### MSU Print Self-Service Printing:

Printing is available in the Main Library and in the Gast Business Library.

contemplation. This room is open to all and available whenever 2 East is open.

**Print, Copy, Scan, Passports:** The Main Library has a full-service copy center on 2 West, including poster and 3-D printing, book publishing, color copying, and scanning. We are also a Passport service center. See [lib.msu.edu/hollander/servicesdesk](http://lib.msu.edu/hollander/servicesdesk) and [lib.msu.edu/passport](http://lib.msu.edu/passport).

### Digital Scholarship Lab:

Interested in virtual reality, game development, and immersive visualization? Our Digital Scholarship Lab features a dedicated lab for creating projects and an immersive visualization room to display 360 content, from Google to your own 360 camera creations.

8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Spartan Life Student Handbook and Resource Guide contains information on University services, regulations, and rights and responsibilities for both undergraduate and graduate students. View the Spartan Life Handbook and Resource Guide full edition online at [splife.studentlife.msu.edu](http://splife.studentlife.msu.edu).

**Academic Programs:** Contact an academic advisor in the Neighborhood Student Success Collaborative (NSSC) [nssc.msu.edu](http://nssc.msu.edu), or in the college of your major preference.

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## MSU TESTING CENTER

The Testing Center, a certified member of the National College Testing Association, offers testing services to MSU and the greater community. Services include:

- Make-up exams for traditional courses and exams for online courses taken at MSU or other colleges and universities.
- Computer-based tests such as GRE, GMAT, MTTC, and many others.
- Employment certification exams through vendors such as Pearson, Kryterion, Scantron, and Performance Assessment

Network.

- Exams for college credit via CLEP and DSST.
- Proctored versions of the Math and Foreign Language Placement exams.
- Paper-based exams such as ACT, SAT, LSAT, and GRE subject tests on national test dates throughout the year.
- Proctors for in-class exams and/or consultation on best practices for academic integrity and exam security.

For more information, please visit [testingcenter.msu.edu](http://testingcenter.msu.edu) or call (517) 355-8385.

## Technology at MSU

### TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE

MSU offers a wide range of technology services, help, and support for students. A good place to learn about these options is [tech.msu.edu/new-students](http://tech.msu.edu/new-students). To get started, students must use their NetID. Students' MSU NetIDs and passwords give them access to many MSU technology services, including email, file storage, and connections to the Internet. See [netid.msu.edu](http://netid.msu.edu) for more information.

### CONNECTING TO MSU'S INTERNET

Students can connect to the Internet on campus by registering their wired and wireless devices at [dhcp.msu.edu/register](http://dhcp.msu.edu/register).

### RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

Technology Resources  
[tech.msu.edu](http://tech.msu.edu)

Technology Help and Support  
[ithelp.msu.edu](http://ithelp.msu.edu)

MSU Email  
[spartanmail.msu.edu](mailto:spartanmail@msu.edu)

Office Licenses with Spartan Mail  
[tech.msu.edu/Microsoft](http://tech.msu.edu/Microsoft)

File Storage  
[tech.msu.edu/storage](http://tech.msu.edu/storage)

Printing  
[print.msu.edu](http://print.msu.edu)

Device Registration for Campus Wired and Wi-Fi Networks  
[dhcp.msu.edu](http://dhcp.msu.edu)

Campus Wi-Fi  
[tech.msu.edu/wireless](http://tech.msu.edu/wireless)

Computer Labs  
[tech.msu.edu/computerlabs](http://tech.msu.edu/computerlabs)

Course Management System: D2L  
[d2l.msu.edu](http://d2l.msu.edu)

Spartan 365  
[spartan365.msu.edu](http://spartan365.msu.edu)

MSU Technology Store  
[techstore.msu.edu](http://techstore.msu.edu)

Safe Computing Tips  
[secureit.msu.edu](http://secureit.msu.edu)

## GENERAL COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY HELP

MSU IT live support is available from 7:00 a.m. to midnight, 7 days a week (excluding university holidays). For assistance you can contact the MSU IT Service Desk using one of the methods listed below.

Call the MSU IT Service Desk at (517) 432-6200

Submit an on-line request at [ithelp.msu.edu](http://ithelp.msu.edu)

Stop by a Tech Bar, look up a location near you [tech.msu.edu/help-and-support/msu-it-tech-bars/](http://tech.msu.edu/help-and-support/msu-it-tech-bars/)

## ONLINE COURSE AND LIBRARY CATALOG HELP

The MSU IT Service Desk provides support for course management systems such as D2L or Kaltura MediaSpace. For assistance, contact (517) 432-6200.

Distance Learning Services (DLS) provides help accessing online library resources using MSU's EZ Proxy Service. The DLS Help Desk



is available 24/7 at (517) 355-2345 or (800) 500-1554. Support is also available by emailing [reachout@msu.edu](mailto:reachout@msu.edu).

## MSU COMPUTER REQUIREMENT

All undergraduate students at Michigan State are required to have a laptop that can connect to the Internet. MSU does not recommend students rely on an Apple iPad, tablet device, mobile phone, or netbook computer as their primary computer due to software limitations. See [tech.msu.edu/about/guidelines-policies/computer-requirement](https://tech.msu.edu/about/guidelines-policies/computer-requirement).

Some departments and colleges have additional computer requirements. All students should check with their prospective major college and department to see if they have specific computer requirements.

## LIBRARY SERVICES

In addition to maintaining several libraries on campus, MSU Libraries provides many resources online. The online catalog describes the libraries' holdings of millions of volumes of books, bound journals, and government documents, as well as non-print collections including electronic journals, microforms, sound recordings, and maps. Students should visit [lib.msu.edu](https://lib.msu.edu) to access the online catalog.

MSU Libraries also provide access to electronic resources, including indexes/databases, online journals and newspapers, electronic books, research guides, and other resources. Students should visit [er.lib.msu.edu](https://er.lib.msu.edu) to access electronic resources.

## GUIDELINES AND POLICIES

MSU has several technology guidelines and policies for responsible use of the MSU network, email services, cloud computing services, and copyrighted files. It is expected that MSU students read, understand, and comply with the laws, policies, and guidelines

governing the use of information technology at MSU. See [tech.msu.edu/about/guidelines-policies](https://tech.msu.edu/about/guidelines-policies) for information about MSU's Acceptable Use Policy along with other MSU guidelines and policies.

## MSU'S EMAIL COMMUNICATION NOTICE

Students are expected to read and understand MSU's email communications notice. See [tech.msu.edu/about/guidelines-policies/student-email-communications](https://tech.msu.edu/about/guidelines-policies/student-email-communications) for more information.

## ILLEGAL FILE SHARING

It is a serious violation of MSU's Acceptable Use Policy and federal law for students to share

copyrighted files online.

Illegal file sharing and violations can lead to loss of network access, fees, suspension, expulsion, and/or lawsuits. For copyright information, tips, and policies visit [secureit.msu.edu/file-copyright](https://secureit.msu.edu/file-copyright).

## SAFE COMPUTING TIPS

Uninstall file sharing programs.

Don't share copyrighted music, movies, software, or other files. Use free or paid media services for music, movies, and other copyrighted materials.

Be cautious about lending your computer or devices to others.

Make sure your computer, mobile devices, and wireless connection are password protected.

WHILE THESE PREVENTION TIPS CAN MAKE YOU FEEL SAFER, PLEASE KNOW THAT IT IS NEVER YOUR FAULT IF YOU DON'T TAKE THESE SUGGESTIONS.

### PREVENTION TIPS

- **Trust your instincts and intuition.** It is important to listen to any feelings of discomfort or uncertainty that you may have.
- **Pay attention to how someone is interacting with you.** Are they disrespectful or pressuring you to do things you don't want to do? Communicate your sexual boundaries CLEARLY and respect the boundaries set by others.
- **Go to events or parties in groups and return with everyone.** Tell your friends where you are going anytime you leave the group area to be alone with someone or to go somewhere else.
- **Alcohol or other drugs are often used to facilitate sexual assault.** A person who is incapacitated cannot give consent. It is not okay to use alcohol or drugs to convince someone to have sex.
- **Don't drink any beverage from any container you haven't opened yourself.** If you leave a beverage unattended, replace it with another. Drugs that are odorless and tasteless can easily be slipped into an open can or mixed drink.

- **Be aware of others and who may be vulnerable.** If you witness someone taking an intoxicated person off to a bedroom or other private area, stop them or intervene in some other way if you can safely do so.
- **Seek consent for all sexual contact.**

### UNDERSTANDING CONSENT AT MSU

**Consent cannot be given by someone who is:**

- sleeping;
- unconscious, unaware, or otherwise mentally or physically helpless because of drugs, alcohol, or other contributing factor ("incapacitated");
- unable to understand the nature of the sexual activity due to a mental disease or condition ("mentally incapable"); or
- under duress, threat, deception, coercion, misuse of professional authority/status, or force.

Consent must be clear and communicated by mutually understandable words or actions.





*FAME is a resource center for foster youth alumni attending MSU as well as for youth who were in kinship care, have experienced homelessness, or are otherwise independent. FAME exists to provide support and resources to these students during their time at MSU to help them be successful during their collegiate experience on MSU's campus and during their transition to becoming MSU alumni.*

### **Coach Program**

FAME's Coaching Program provides students with a Life Skills Coach who will work with them during their time as a college student. Life Skills Coaches are part-time staff or social work interns. Coaches meet with students at least monthly and work on developing and improving Independent Living Skills, navigating campus and university resources, and provide a support system to help them thrive as college students.

### **FAME Care Closet**

The FAME program furnishes a fully stocked care closet accessible to all eligible FAME students. The closet features personal care items, cleaning/household items, school supplies and some snacks/food items. Students are welcome to visit the FAME office during business hours and utilize needed items from the care closet. FAME regularly accepts donations of these items to keep the closet fully stocked.

### **Mentoring**

The FAME mentoring program matches current undergraduate FAME students with a volunteer mentor from the campus or community. Efforts are made to match a student with a mentor currently employed in the student's major or area of professional interest. Mentors and mentees form a relationship for a minimum of one year, averaging 4 hours of time commitment each month. The mentoring relationship consists of face-to-face meetings, in addition to telephone, email, and other social media mediums. Mentors serve as social, emotional, and professional support for students as they navigate their academic, professional, and personal goals on campus. Mentors are required to have a bachelor's degree and complete mentor training.

### **Monthly Life Skills Training / Community Connections**

Inspired by Casey Family Program's 7 Life Domains model, The FAME Program offers monthly life skills workshops for students, highlighting a different life domain each month. Workshops are interactive, fun, and informative and created specifically to address the needs of MSU students who have experienced foster care, kinship care, guardianship, and homelessness. These trainings serve to help improve students' knowledge and skill in particular areas that are crucial for healthy development, personal success, and overall well-being. FAME also hosts a wide variety of events focused on building relationships and community amongst students with similar backgrounds.

If you would like to learn more about the FAME program or connect with us. Please contact us at [fame@msu.edu](mailto:fame@msu.edu)

## ONLINE STORAGE AND COLLABORATIVE TOOLS

Students have access to Microsoft Office 365 tools (e.g., Outlook, OneDrive, Teams). These MSU enterprise licenses offer better terms of service to students than using the applications as public individual users. Students can access these tools by using their Net ID and password to log into [spartan365.msu.edu](https://spartan365.msu.edu).

## PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

It is not wise for students to post their class schedules online. Not only will people know where students are, but they will know where they are not. Students should take time to consider the potential consequences of posting their whereabouts.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION PRECAUTIONS

The following also should not be shared online or in emails with the exception being on a secure site that requires a login.

- Social Security numbers
- Passwords
- Credit card numbers
- Bank account numbers
- Driver's license numbers

- Names, addresses, and phone numbers in conjunction with other personal information
- other personal information

## Leadership & Organizations

One significant way to enhance your education is to participate in student organizations and university committees. Students hold over 100 seats on university committees and register more than 1200 student organizations each year. Whether you're interested in governance, recreation, academic, or career-related groups, this is a great way to meet people and develop leadership skills that will be helpful to your future. If you do not find a student organization that is of interest to you, start your own. Check out the online Student Organization Directory at [involve.msu.edu](https://involve.msu.edu).

## ASMSU - YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) is the all-university undergraduate student government at MSU. It is composed of many branches that work together to enhance the Spartan experience for

every undergraduate student. The organization is guided by the General Assembly, the legislative body of ASMSU that has representatives from each undergraduate college, Major Governing Groups, the Council of Progressive Students (COPS) groups, and the Council of Racial and Ethnic Students (CORES) groups. Through the efforts of the ASMSU representatives, staff members, Class Council members, Academic Governance members, Student Allocations Board, and their Office of the President, ASMSU strives to advance student interests at Michigan State University, as well as at the city, state, and federal levels of government.

Free & Low-Cost Services for Students: ASMSU provides a variety of services for students such as free legal services, the Safe Ride Program, free access to The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Detroit Free Press, and Lansing State Journal via the ASMSU Readership Program, low-cost GMAT, GRE, LSAT, and MCAT test-prep services, \$300 interest-free loans, free MSU yearbooks from the Red Cedar Log, free iClicker & graphing calculator rentals, funding for student groups through the Student Allocations Board, class representation through the ASMSU Class Councils, and various other events & programming throughout the year. [Visit our website for more information.](https://www.asmsu.org/visit-our-website-for-more-information)

ASMSU provides free legal services for all tax-paying undergraduate students. This service entity currently enrolled undergraduate students to receive free legal counsel from one of three full-time staff attorneys on most misdemeanor legal matters. The Student Legal Services Office is located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 329 of the Student Services Building and can be contacted at (517) 353-3716.

ASMSU also provides all tax-paying undergraduate students the Student Rights Advocates

## QUESTIONS ABOUT VOTING?

- ▶ Registration
- ▶ Absentee Voting
- ▶ Voter Precincts
- ▶ Proposals
- ▶ Upcoming Elections
- ▶ Candidates

[msuvote.msu.edu](https://msuvote.msu.edu)



Program, which provides advice and counsel for students that are involved in the university's conduct process. Student Rights Advocates are located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 320 of the Student Services Building and can be reached by phone at (517) 355-8266 or by emailing the Director of Student Rights Advocates and Legal Services at [dsrals@asmsu.msu.edu](mailto:dsrals@asmsu.msu.edu).

Getting Involved with Your Student Government: Moreover, ASMSU offers undergraduate students a wide range of opportunities to get involved. First, ASMSU has paid staff positions, posted on the ASMSU Handshake, that enable you to engage and develop real-world work experience. If you want to get involved with staff, please contact the ASMSU Chief of Staff at [cos@asmsu.msu.edu](mailto:cos@asmsu.msu.edu). ASMSU also has the General Assembly, which allows you to represent the students of your college or representative group through legislation and advocacy. Elections for the GA occur in the fall for vacant positions and in the spring for all colleges. For more information about General Assembly elections please contact the ASMSU Recruitment and Engagement Coordinator at [rec@asmsu.msu.edu](mailto:rec@asmsu.msu.edu). ASMSU also has positions on the Student Allocations Board, which vote on funding allocated for student groups. For more information about the Student Allocations Board, email the ASMSU Vice President for Student Allocations at [vpsa@asmsu.msu.edu](mailto:vpsa@asmsu.msu.edu).

ASMSU also provides leadership opportunities for incoming first-years and transfer students specifically through the ASMSU Class Councils. Students with academic standing are eligible to serve on the Class Council correlating with their year. For example, FCC, which is part of ASMSU, serves as a voice for freshman students and conducts various events throughout the year geared toward empowering

the freshman class. After FCC, there is SoCC (Sophomore Class Council), JCC (Junior Class Council), and SCC (Senior Class Council), which all are tailored to the needs of that class. For more information, contact the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration at [vpia@asmsu.msu.edu](mailto:vpia@asmsu.msu.edu). All information provided here (and more) is available on the ASMSU website: [asmsu.msu.edu](http://asmsu.msu.edu).

## RESIDENCE HALLS ASSOCIATION, HALL GOVERNMENTS, AND CAUCUSES

The mission of the Residence Halls Association (RHA) is to represent the on-campus residents of Michigan State University objectively and to provide a voice for the concerns of our constituents. RHA promotes the interests of on-campus residents to campus partners, departments and the Board of Trustees. We strive to achieve this by assisting hall organizations with publicity, legislation, funding, and also by providing valuable services and opportunities through our programs. Through these initiatives, RHA is committed to continuously improving the on-campus experience at Michigan State University. We provide services such as RHA TV, RHA On-Demand, contribute to several health services and provide various campus-wide programs; including live concerts, Campus Center Cinemas, and Health and Safety initiatives. RHA also serves as an advocate for the on-campus undergraduate population by working with university administrators to address student issues and concerns. In addition, RHA provides funding to hall governments and identity caucuses in the residence halls. These hall-based groups plan and implement programs, address policy issues and significantly contribute to the quality of life in the residence halls.

RHA, hall governments and caucuses offer excellent leadership opportunities for students. For

more information, visit our website at [rha.msu.edu](http://rha.msu.edu), follow us on Twitter and Instagram @MSURHA, email the RHA President at [RHA.president@msu.edu](mailto:RHA.president@msu.edu), or call (517) 355-8385.

The RHA main office is located in G-7 Holden Hall and its hours are posted on the website.

## FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE (FSL)

Fraternities and Sororities have been an active part of the Michigan State University community since 1872. We currently have 60 chapters that are a part of four governing councils including the Multicultural Greek Council, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, the Panhellenic Council, and Interfraternity Council. Each council and chapter have something unique to offer, but all promote the highest ideals of scholarship, leadership, philanthropy, and service while building relationships that will last a lifetime.

Through collaboration with students, international organizations, alumni, and the Division of Student Life and Engagement, Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) at Michigan State University fosters a holistic college experience by providing opportunities for scholarship, leadership, and community service. These three opportunities have been outlined by our unit as the foundation of healthy and successful fraternity and sorority chapters and advance the missions of each of our chapters. The defining opportunities are in line with the Division of Student Life and Engagement and furthers the values and goals of Michigan State University.

We encourage you to learn more about our Fraternity & Sorority community by finding us on:

- Instagram: [@michiganstatefsl](https://www.instagram.com/michiganstatefsl)
- Website: [greeklife.msu.edu](http://greeklife.msu.edu)
- Facebook: [facebook.com/MichiganStateFraternitySorority](https://www.facebook.com/MichiganStateFraternitySorority)



## MSU ALUMNI OFFICE – FUTURE ALUMNI

The MSU Alumni Office (MSUAO) is here for every Spartan – including you! Through our Future Alumni efforts, we aim to strengthen your relationship with MSU and introduce you to programs and initiatives that are also available after graduation. We focus on civic engagement and service, community building and philanthropy at MSU. Follow us @msufuturealumni on Instagram or @MSUFutureAlumni on Twitter!

### What We Do

We SERVE through the [Spartan Days of Service](#) – Volunteer and make an impact in the community! This year's Spartan Days of Service are Saturday, Aug. 19, 2023; Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023; Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024 and a TBD date in April.

We can [CONNECT](#) you (and your group, RSO or organization) to alumni around the world that want to help you throughout your Spartan journey – just ask!

We [INVEST](#) in your (or your group's, organizations, or RSO's) future through the development of crowd power campaigns that inspire alumni to support what is important to you. Interested in finding out more about [student philanthropy](#)? – just ask!"

**CELEBRATE** – Show your Spartan pride by participating in homecoming activities, October 18-23, 2023. Visit [alumni.msu.edu/homecoming](https://alumni.msu.edu/homecoming) for more information.

### About the MSU Alumni Office

Beginning with the first time you set foot on MSU's campus as a student, you start building your Spartan legacy, a legacy that lives on long after you've closed your last textbook. The Michigan State University Alumni Office is dedicated to advancing MSU and its alumni by fostering meaningful engagement through connection, service and investment. With over 500,000 alumni representing MSU across the globe, the MSU Alumni Office leverages this collective Spartan power to inspire collaboration and promote positive change. For more information, visit [alumni.msu.edu](https://alumni.msu.edu).

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

We believe that everyone has the potential for leadership, at any point in their college experience. Our goal is to help you create an integrated and coherent leadership experience that enhances your knowledge and is connected to your academic course of study.

Our leadership development

programs are a combination of experiential learning opportunities, skill development, and self assessment programs.

We believe that once a student leader understands and knows themselves and their leadership style, they then have the potential to exert great influence on their organizations, work environments, and future communities. Visit our website at [spartanexperiences.msu.edu/leadership/index.html](https://spartanexperiences.msu.edu/leadership/index.html).

## Fun and Recreation WHERE TO GO, WHAT TO DO

The MSU Union is the heart of MSU's campus. It has an abundance of helpful resources, including: personal and group study spaces, computer labs with printers, the Neighborhood Student Success Center, Counseling and Psychiatric Services (CAPS), bookable and free meeting rooms for student organizations, a MSU Federal Credit Union location, many tutoring options, and more. In addition, the MSU Union is home to many retail and dining options, such as Strange Matter Coffee, Sparty's Mini Market, and the Spartan Spirit Shop. The home of the University Activities Board (UAB), the MSU Union is bustling with events, activities, live music and other ways to connect and unwind with fellow Spartans. MOSAIC Multicultural Unity Center, and MSU Union Art Gallery are also available for everyone to enjoy. The MSU Union provides a central home for campus to gather, enhances the student experience and cultivates an enduring connection to Michigan State University. It's where Spartans belong. Follow the MSU Union on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook (@MSUUnion) and visit [msuunion.com](https://msuunion.com) for more information.

The Abrams Planetarium offers students the opportunity to view a number of exciting programs



about our sky and universe. For current shows, pricing, and more information call (517) 355-4676 or visit our website at [abramsplanetarium.org](http://abramsplanetarium.org).

Want to play some golf? Forest Akers Golf Course is waiting for you. Special rates on greens fees are available for students. Visit [golf.msu.edu](http://golf.msu.edu) or call (517) 355-1635 for more information. Enjoy our all-weather heated/covered practice facility and hit golf balls year round.

These are just some of the options available to you for entertainment at MSU.

## SPARTAN MARCHING BAND

One of MSU's great traditions! The Spartan Marching Band rehearses in the fall and is viewable by the public. Stop by the turf field at Munn Field any day between 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to see a rehearsal. Join the band on home football Saturday's 90 minutes before kick-off for a pregame concert on Adams Field. The Spartan Marching Band "March To The Stadium" is one of the greatest fall spectacles in all of collegiate pageantry. Make the Spartan Marching Band part of your fall tradition. For more information about Spartan Marching Band or our Spartan Brass Athletic Band (performs at volleyball, hockey, and basketball games), please visit [spartanmarchingband.com](http://spartanmarchingband.com) or contact (517) 355-7654. Follow us on Instagram and Twitter @msumarchingband or "like" our page at [facebook.com/msumarchingband](https://facebook.com/msumarchingband).

## UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES BOARD

The University Activities Board (UAB) is a student-run department and offers a variety of programs encouraging involvement. Hosting around 200 campus events annually, UAB strives to provide unique, high-quality experiences that contribute to student growth. UAB's core values are inclusion, collaboration, flexibility,

accessibility, student voice, and development.

UAB events are FREE and open to all MSU students with a valid MSU ID. Events include music, comedy, craft nights, open mic nights, homecoming week events, and special events such as escape rooms, ice skating, dodgeball tournaments, arts and crafts shows, and much more!

Get involved at MSU with UAB! Membership is FREE and open to all MSU undergraduate students all year long. Members gain valuable leadership skills that apply to all areas of study and have a positive impact on any career path.

Follow us on Instagram and Twitter @UABatMSU or "like" our page at [facebook.com/UABatMSU](https://facebook.com/UABatMSU). You can also visit [uabevents.com](http://uabevents.com) for more information.

## HOMECOMING 2023: WELCOME HOME SPARTANS

Michigan State University will celebrate Homecoming 2023 with a variety of activities for students, staff, alumni and community members Sept. 18- 23, 2023. This year's Homecoming theme is "Welcome Home, Spartans."

The annual Homecoming parade hosted by the MSU Alumni Office will take place Friday, Sept. 22, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in downtown

East Lansing and will feature the Spartan Marching Band, Michigan high school marching bands, MSU student and community groups, university officials, Sparty and much more. Student groups are welcome to participate in the parade, but registration is required. To submit a parade entry visit [homecoming.msu.edu](http://homecoming.msu.edu) beginning Aug. 1. Registration closes Sept. 4.

You can also show your Spartan spirit during Homecoming week by swapping out a residence hall light, front porch light or any other

light with a green bulb that will "Glow Green".

For a detailed list of Homecoming week activities, visit [homecoming.msu.edu](http://homecoming.msu.edu).

## BRESLIN STUDENT EVENTS CENTER

The Breslin Student Events Center showcases a wide variety of entertainment, athletic, and academic events for MSU students and the greater Mid-Michigan Community. The proud home of MSU's Men's and Women's Spartan Basketball teams, the Breslin Student Events Center has also hosted concerts/performers including Macklemore and Ryan Lewis, Kanye West, Bernie Sanders, Cirque du Soleil, Kevin Hart, Carrie Underwood, Trans-Siberian Orchestra, as well as signature sporting events such as the MHSAA's Boy's & Girl's State Basketball Championships. The Breslin Student Events Center offers numerous year-round student employment opportunities in production and guest relations. Visit our website at [breslincenter.com](http://breslincenter.com) for hiring information and a schedule of upcoming events. For general information, contact our administrative office at (517) 432-1989.



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## RECREATIONAL SPORTS AND FITNESS SERVICES

Recreational Sports and Fitness Services (Rec Sports) is here to provide you with the opportunity to continue your sport of choice or try a new one. We know how important it is to take that study break and exercise. Research shows that students who participate in our programs earn a higher GPA and finish more classes.

Your recreation fee covers the

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fitness centers, open recreation and the pools. Just activate your membership at: [recsports.msu.edu/fitness/memberships.html](https://recsports.msu.edu/fitness/memberships.html).

Come try out one of our fitness centers at IM West and IM East for weight training and cardio workouts. Your recreation fee also covers our fun group fitness classes. Try an intramural sport league you can join with your friends, indoor pools for swimming, an indoor track for running, and a lot of open recreation hours to fit your busy schedule.

There are three facilities on the main campus, IM East on Shaw Lane near Hagadorn Road, IM West next to Spartan Stadium, and IM Circle on the north side of the river from IM West. We also have a Sailing Center on Lake Lansing with lessons and kayak, canoe and stand-up paddleboard rentals. Demonstration Hall is a fully accessible arena which accommodates wheelchair play and intramural soccer. Check out Spartan Greens your new turf complex out on Service Road the fields are open daily for soccer,

rugby and football.

Be part of a team by signing up to play intramurals. It's easy, just go to [imleagues.com](https://imleagues.com) and register under Michigan State University. We offer basketball, soccer, football, volleyball and a whole lot more! Check the website for the entire list! Programs for persons with disabilities can be found on the website under Adaptive Recreation at [recsports.msu.edu](https://recsports.msu.edu).

Try a Club Sport. There are over 26 sports like water polo, rugby, lacrosse, pompon, ultimate frisbee, crew, and sailing.

Need a job? With all these games, we need referees and umpires! With all these pools we need lifeguards and swim instructors! Come work at one of our many facilities it's the best job on campus!

PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS

Wharton Center for Performing Arts is home to the best of Broadway and performing arts. Engage our community through dynamic programming, education

and outreach

The 2023-2024 season celebrates a selection of some of the best Broadway and performing arts on tour, including Academy Award-winner Aaron Sorkin's adaptation of Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize-winning masterwork *TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD*; Broadway's Tony Award® winning musical comedy phenomenon *HAIRSPRAY*; the return of a Wharton Center favorite, *MAMMA MIA!*; the Broadway hit *FUNNY GIRL* which brings one of the greatest musical scores of all time, including classic songs "Don't Rain On My Parade," "I'm the Greatest Star," and "People,,"; the Broadway musical *SIX* where the *SIX* wives of Henry VIII take the microphone to remix five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a Euphoric Celebration of 21st century girl power; and the Broadway hit *MOULIN ROUGE! THE MUSICAL* making its way to Wharton Center for two weeks celebrating a world of splendor and romance, of eye-popping excess, of glitz, grandeur, and glory!

Add to that some of the world's

Fall Convocation  
SATURDAY AUGUST 26 2023

Fall Convocation is the formal ceremony that marks the beginning of each academic year welcoming the newest members of the MSU community to our university. Interim President Teresa K. Woodruff, Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Thomas D. Jeitschko, and other university leaders representing each of the undergraduate degree-granting colleges will extend greetings to you during the event.

\* NO BAGS will be allowed into the Breslin Center. This includes no purses and no backpacks. For a full list of prohibited items, please go to [breslincenter.com/nobagpolicy](https://breslincenter.com/nobagpolicy).

Breslin Student Event Center

As a new student, you are **REQUIRED** to attend this formal ceremony.



11 AM - 12 PM (EDT)



**IM EAST FIELD**

# Sparticipation

## SUNDAY AUGUST 27 2023

- MAKE SURE TO GET TO SPARTICIPATION 2023, MSU'S LARGEST FALL WELCOME TRADITION!
- THERE ARE OVER 500 TABLES WITH STUDENT GROUPS, CAMPUS RESOURCES, AND OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED!
- PLUS FREE FOOD, MUSIC, AND GIVEAWAYS!
- FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS EVENT AND OTHER FALL WELCOME EVENTS, CHECK OUT [FALLWELCOME.MSU.EDU](http://FALLWELCOME.MSU.EDU).



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best dance companies, jazz artists, classical musicians, lecturers and world music artists. You'll also find there will be new dramatic theatre works and contemporary artists and concerts. In addition to presenting touring Broadway and performing arts acts from around the world, Wharton Center is home to performances by MSU Department of Theatre, MSU College of Music and Lansing Symphony Orchestra.

MSU students receive substantial discounts to many Wharton Center performances, including most Broadway shows and performing arts attractions. Students are encouraged to visit Wharton Center's Student Ticket page on our website—[whartoncenter.com/student-tickets](http://whartoncenter.com/student-tickets)—to create an account and register their APID. Doing this will ensure discount pricing when available, as well as notice of added performances and opportunities.

Wharton Center houses two theatres: the intimate (600-seat) Pasant Theatre and the beautiful Cobb Great Hall with

2251 seats. Both theatres are accessible, and Wharton Center offers a wide range of accessibility services, such as sign language interpretation, audio description, open captioning, assistive listening devices, and sensory-friendly performances. Please visit [whartoncenter.com/plan-your-visit/accessibility](http://whartoncenter.com/plan-your-visit/accessibility) for more detailed information.

You can be involved! Many job opportunities, volunteer positions and internships are available to MSU students. Email [wharton@msu.edu](mailto:wharton@msu.edu) for more information.

## MSU Student Health & Wellbeing HEALTH SERVICES

Primary care medical services are available on campus year-round at Olin Health Center (463 E. Circle Drive). Neighborhood clinics are typically open during the fall and spring semesters. Hours vary by location.

Services available at Olin Health Center include laboratory, radiology, physical therapy and gynecologic services, as well as an allergy and immunization clinic. Neighborhood Clinics are for immunizations, nurse visits, and asymptomatic STI testing (limited lab testing, and no on-site radiology).

Appointments are required, and students should call (517) 353-4660 to schedule.

The Phone Information Nurse is available 24/7 for health-related questions and medical decision-making and can be reached at (517) 353-5557.

There is no charge for the first three medical office visits for enrolled MSU students each academic year. (Lab, medical procedures, prescriptions, and more will incur a charge.) MSU will bill insurance or the patient for the fourth and subsequent visits as well as other charges.

Health insurance is required for international students and highly recommended for all

other students. MSU ID and insurance information should be presented at the time of the visit (visit [olin.msu.edu/insurance](https://olin.msu.edu/insurance) for participating plans). Patients without insurance are welcome to use Student Health Services and they will be billed for services.

Visit [olin.msu.edu](https://olin.msu.edu) or call (517) 353-4660 for more information.

## COUNSELING & PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES (CAPS)

CAPS offers registered MSU students support for a wide range of concerns, including: depression, anxiety, stress management, homesickness, adjustment or acculturation, relationships, issues around race, gender and sexual orientation (LBGTQ), substance misuse, traumatic experiences, eating or body image concerns, and other personal mental health concerns.

CAPS has a diverse staff engaged in multicultural and collaborative approaches to provide quality care with a wide range of clinical expertise and lived experiences. Their goal is to help students address their concerns and improve their sense of wellness, connectedness, identity, meaning and motivation — often in the context of academic success.

Services include goal-oriented individual counseling, group counseling, intensive clinical services, psychiatric care and support with clinical coordination and referrals. See all CAPS services at [caps.msu.edu/services](https://caps.msu.edu/services).

Counseling services are confidential and at no charge, as are the first three lifetime psychiatry visits. The fourth and subsequent psychiatry visits are billed to insurance (patients concerned about potential cost should mention this to their provider).

Crisis services are available 24/7. Students can call us at (517) 355-8270 and press “1” at the prompt to speak with a crisis counselor. Other prompt options are available for those not in crisis.

CAPS will continue to offer telemental health services to students who prefer a remote option. Visit [caps.msu.edu](https://caps.msu.edu) for more information on remote and in-person offerings.

Students can schedule an initial consultation at [caps.msu.edu/schedule](https://caps.msu.edu/schedule). During the consultation, a counselor will talk about next steps, which may include information about ongoing services at CAPS, helpful resources, or a referral to a campus partner or community provider based on your unique needs. Their goal is to connect students with the most available and appropriate level of care.

Established psychiatry patients can contact their provider through the MyMSUHealth patient portal at [mymsuhealth.hc.msu.edu](https://mymsuhealth.hc.msu.edu).

Established patients needing a prescription refill prior to their next appointment can use the MyMSUHealth patient portal to make the request: [mymsuhealth.hc.msu.edu](https://mymsuhealth.hc.msu.edu).

Visit [caps.msu.edu](https://caps.msu.edu) or call (517) 355-8270 for more information.

## HEALTH PROMOTION

Health Promotion provides a variety of programs, presentations and health information to help students achieve academic success by supporting their wellbeing. Services include:

- SPARTANfit Fitness and Wellness Program, including comprehensive fitness assessments and wellness coaching
- Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) education and support
- The Collegiate Recovery Community and Recovery Housing for students in recovery from alcohol or drug use
- Sexual wellness education and sexual health resources

Most Health Promotion services are available free to MSU students. The department also regularly collects and shares health-related

data and information about Spartan health trends.

The main Health Promotion office is located at 345 Student Services Building.

Visit [healthpromotion.msu.edu](https://healthpromotion.msu.edu) or call (517) 353-0718 for more information.

## MSU CENTER FOR SURVIVORS

Student Services Building, 556 East Circle Drive, Suite 207, East Lansing, MI 48824

Office Phone: (517) 355-3551

Website: [centerforsurvivors.msu.edu](https://centerforsurvivors.msu.edu)

24-hour Sexual Assault Hotline: (517) 372-6666

**Mission Statement:** We believe in the strength and resiliency of all people impacted by sexual violence. We stand with survivors against all forms of social injustice by promoting individual healing and building an empowered, inclusive community.

Therapy Services: The MSU Center for Survivors provides free and confidential individual and group therapy services to MSU student survivors of sexual assault and child sexual abuse. If you are interested in therapy call (517) 355-3551 to schedule an intake appointment.

**Advocacy Services:** MSU Center for Survivors Advocates meet with survivors to provide resources, support, and information about reporting options. All interactions are free and confidential. Advocates are available to accompany survivors to police interviews, Office of Institutional Equity (OIE) interviews, PPO Hearings, meetings with the Prosecuting Attorney, or University based programs such as RCPD or academic units. Advocates help survivors to navigate complicated systems. If you are interested in institutional, personal, academic, and/or criminal justice advocacy, you can contact (517) 355-3551 to schedule an appointment with an Advocate.



# Office of Spartan Experiences

*proudly hosts*

## SPARTAN SPECTACULAR

### 2023 | AUGUST 27 | 4 - 10 PM

FALL WELCOME PRESENTED BY MSU FEDERAL CREDIT UNION (MSUFCU) (EDT)

**4 - 10 PM** IM EAST FIELD (RAIN LOCATION: BRESLIN)

**SPARTAN SPECTACULAR** will kick-off with a Fall Welcome Culinary Food Fair.

**4 - 8 PM FALL WELCOME CULINARY FOOD FAIR**

Join Culinary Services for a culinary food fair experience.

**4 - 8 PM SPARTICIPATION** highlights hundreds of student organizations, departments, programs, and sponsors.

**4 - 8 PM SPARTAN SHOWCASE**

Join us for a showcase featuring demonstrations, and announcements by Registered Student Organizations (RSOs).

**8 PM** IM EAST FIELD

**INAUGURAL "ROCK THE REC"**

Join us for a marquee performance on stage and performances by RSOs. Sponsored by the Office of Spartan Experiences and Recreational Sports and Fitness Services.

**10 PM** IM EAST FIELD

**INAUGURAL "SPARLIGHTS"** Join us for a luminating closeout Spartan experience as you journey home to closeout the night. Sponsored by the Office of Spartan Experiences.

*Get connected - Get engaged - Get involved*

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[spartanexperiences.msu.edu](https://spartanexperiences.msu.edu)



Office of Spartan Experiences  
Student Life & Engagement  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

The Office of Spartan Experiences creates opportunities for students to clarify and challenge their values, potentials, relationships, and roles within the university, in the broader community and global society.

**Crisis Chat:** Log onto our website, [centerforsurvivors.msu.edu](https://centerforsurvivors.msu.edu), from any device that can access the Internet to chat with a confidential Sexual Assault Crisis Intervention Advocate. Crisis Chat Advocates are not professional counselors, but rather are trained volunteers here to support survivors and direct them to helpful resources. Crisis Chat is not a replacement for in person therapy. However, it is a way to get immediate support and access to resources.

## MSU SAFE PLACE - SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE & STALKING

MSU Safe Place is a confidential relationship violence and stalking program on campus that offers free counseling, support groups, advocacy, emergency shelter, and referrals, as well as community education programs to anyone wishing to learn more about these two issues. Relationship violence is a pattern of behavior used in current or former intimate relationships to gain or maintain power and control over others. It can include emotional, physical, economic and/or sexual abuse within heterosexual or same-sex relationships, or between people of any gender and gender identity. Stalking is defined as two or more unwanted contacts that would cause a reasonable person to feel threatened, harassed, or fearful.

For more information call (517) 355-1100, visit our website at [safeplace.msu.edu](https://safeplace.msu.edu) or email us at [noabuse@msu.edu](mailto:noabuse@msu.edu).

## OFFICE OF STUDENT SUPPORT & ACCOUNTABILITY

Office Of Student Support & Accountability (OSSA) advances student success by supporting a civil and inclusive learning environment and community standards for behavior in and out of the classroom. To this end, we ensure students' rights and

responsibilities related to personal and academic integrity and assist students with conflict resolution. Lastly, we support the health and wellbeing of students experiencing challenges with physical and mental health through the medical leave and return process as well as collaborative intervention efforts. Visit our website at [ossa.msu.edu/](https://ossa.msu.edu/) and follow us on Instagram (@[ossa\\_msu](https://www.instagram.com/ossa_msu)).

MSU Student Rights and Responsibilities: [spartanexperiences.msu.edu/about/handbook/index.html](https://spartanexperiences.msu.edu/about/handbook/index.html)

MSU Integrity of Scholarship and Grades: [spartanexperiences.msu.edu/about/handbook/regulations/student-group-regs-rulings-policies-ordinances/integrity-of-scholarship-and-grades.html](https://spartanexperiences.msu.edu/about/handbook/regulations/student-group-regs-rulings-policies-ordinances/integrity-of-scholarship-and-grades.html)

OSSA Medical Leave and Return Process: [ossa.msu.edu/medical-leave](https://ossa.msu.edu/medical-leave)

OSSA Conflict Resolution: [ossa.msu.edu/sccr](https://ossa.msu.edu/sccr)

## Financial Aid

Many people think "financial aid" only means scholarships. However, the term actually includes work study programs, student and parent loans, as well as scholarships and grants. The MSU Office of Financial Aid (OFA) oversees the awarding of various forms of financial aid funded by the University, the State of Michigan, and the federal government. We also disburse monies that are donated by many private and civic organizations. Our goal is to help you meet your financial obligations while in college.

To apply for federal and state aid, as well as aid administered through MSU, you need to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You must reapply each year.

You may apply online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). Once your FAFSA has been reviewed and financial aid has been awarded, you can access it online at [student.msu.edu](https://student.msu.edu) by

clicking on the Financial Aid tile.

If you have questions navigating your financial aid portal, you are encouraged to look at the help documents online at [sis.msu.edu/sishelp.html](https://sis.msu.edu/sishelp.html).

You must have your MSU NetID and password and agree to eConsent in order to use the student portal.

The following information is available online in your financial aid portal:

- your application status.
- the awards you have for the academic period.
- whether or not you must accept loans and complete online promissory notes.
- problems that require you to take action.

If you use MSU's online portal, you may never need to phone or visit the Office of Financial Aid. If you do need to make contact, however, call (517) 353-5940, email [finaid@msu.edu](mailto:finaid@msu.edu), or visit us at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 252. Please be sure to check our website at [finaid.msu.edu](https://finaid.msu.edu) for our hours of operation before you call or visit.

## Career Services Network

### WHERE CAN I FIND A PART-TIME OR WORK-STUDY JOB?

Each year, MSU employs thousands of students for on-campus work. Part-time jobs are a great way to meet people, explore career possibilities and build transferable skills. Research indicates that students who work 10-15 hours a week often do better in their classes.

If you have work-study or student employment listed in your financial aid package, it means you need to find a part-time job to earn that amount of money. The majority of on-campus jobs are work-study eligible.

Most MSU departments use the Handshake job posting system when promoting opportunities for hiring students. Visit [msu.joinHandshake.com](https://msu.joinHandshake.com) and log in using your MSU NetID and password to explore options, complete your profile, upload a resume and apply for positions. When in your Handshake account, click on “Jobs” in the top navigation bar, and enter “MSU” into the search box to locate opportunities.

Questions? Connect with the Career Services Network at [careernetwork.msu.edu](https://careernetwork.msu.edu), (517) 355-9510 or [careerservices@csp.msu.edu](mailto:careerservices@csp.msu.edu).

## DROP-IN DAYS

August 29–30, 11:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. at Career Services in the Student Services Building, 1st floor Room 113.

We welcome you to drop by Career Services in the Student Services Building during Fall Welcome and meet our team! Learn about what we do and how we can help you navigate all things career. Career advisors will be available with resources to help you find a part-time job, tips to write or polish your resume, and information on career resources related to your interests.

## East Lansing is Spartan Country

### REGISTER TO VOTE

Whether you live on- or off-campus, you are likely a resident of East Lansing. Some off-campus addresses have an East Lansing mailing address but are located in other municipalities. This is important because it means you can vote locally in local, state and national elections. Register to vote by stopping in at the City Clerk’s office, located in East Lansing City Hall, 410 Abbot Road or by visiting [mvic.sos.state.mi.us/Home/RegisterToVote](https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/Home/RegisterToVote). As for on-campus students, many voting precincts

are located inside residence halls, making it very convenient to cast a ballot once you have registered. If you have questions, contact the City Clerk’s office at (517) 319-6914. For general voter information, including details on absentee ballots, please visit: [michigan.gov/vote](https://michigan.gov/vote) or [msuvote.msu.edu](https://msuvote.msu.edu).

## WE CARE ABOUT YOUR SAFETY

Whether you are living on- or off-campus, you are protected 24 hours a day, seven days a week by multiple public safety agencies, including East Lansing Fire and Police Departments (ELPD) and MSU Police Department (MSUPD), among others.

The city asks that students look out for their personal safety and the safety of others by being smart about the amount of alcohol they consume. Let a friend, roommate or family member know where you are headed. Off-campus students should be mindful of the city’s open alcohol and minor-in-possession laws, which are strictly enforced. Drunk driving is also strictly enforced by both ELPD and MSUPD. Students should know the warning signs for alcohol poisoning and call 911 at any time there is a concern. Medical amnesty laws protect callers seeking help: <https://ossa.msu.edu/medical-amnesty>.

Remember to lock your doors and windows at night and when not in your residence. Keep all valuables, such as cell phones, purses, and laptops out of sight when hosting social events and know your guests.

## MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME

East Lansing is proud to be a university community, with students making up roughly half of the population. As new residents, all students are encouraged to take advantage of the many amenities the city offers.

Students find the East Lansing Public Library, located at 950

Abbot Road, to be a nice, quiet place to study, to utilize maker spaces, and participate in great programs. Visit [elpl.org](https://elpl.org) to learn more about this wonderful East Lansing asset.

The East Lansing Hannah Community Center (ELHCC), 819 Abbot Road, is just a quick, five-minute walk from the MSU campus. ELHCC includes a fitness room with exercise machines and weights, an open gym, a pool for lap swimming/play and a 520-seat performing arts theater. ELHCC also features a wide variety of fitness and art classes. MSU students are welcome to join the ELHCC for off campus leisure and fitness needs. Membership information can be found online at [cityofeastlansing.com/824/EL-Hannah-Community-Center](https://cityofeastlansing.com/824/EL-Hannah-Community-Center).

The city’s downtown is vibrant, with a mix of eclectic shops and tasty eateries, artwork and programming, high rises, and pocket parks. Daytime, nighttime, anytime, get the scoop on downtown EL by visiting: [cityofeastlansing.com/2076/Downtown-East-Lansing](https://cityofeastlansing.com/2076/Downtown-East-Lansing).

## OFF-CAMPUS LIVING

All students who move off campus are encouraged to remember that they are part of a larger community of residents. Living alongside other students, permanent residents and local businesses is exciting and a new experience for many. MSU students and permanent East Lansing residents are at their best when they celebrate the university and community together. It takes cooperation, patience and understanding. Lifestyles are often very different though - with one person’s bedtime sometimes being another person’s playtime. Local ordinances support keeping neighborhoods livable for all residents.

## STAY CONNECTED

The city encourages students to visit the East Lansing website, [cityofeastlansing.com](https://cityofeastlansing.com), and to stay connected on Facebook,

Twitter and Instagram; [facebook.com/cityofeastlansing](https://facebook.com/cityofeastlansing), [twitter.com/CityofEL](https://twitter.com/CityofEL), [instagram.com/cityofeastlansing](https://instagram.com/cityofeastlansing). Students can sign up to receive emergency alerts from the East Lansing Police Department at [local.nixle.com/city/mi/east-lansing](https://local.nixle.com/city/mi/east-lansing). You may also add other jurisdictions such as Ingham County at the NIXLE website.

## Global MSU EDUCATION ABROAD

Participating in education abroad provides an opportunity for students to invest in their future by developing meaningful skills that add value to their MSU degree and position them for a successful career.

At Michigan State University, more than 2,500 Spartans can be found in classrooms, research labs, field stations, and internship sites throughout the world. They understand that combining their academic and professional desires with the opportunity to engage in cultures different from their own provides unparalleled learning experiences.

With over 300 programs in more than 60 countries, MSU offers a broad range of opportunities for students to engage and learn around the world. Courses are available in every undergraduate college as well as additional opportunities in medicine and law. Credits count toward graduation and may include requirements, electives, or classes in a specific major. Many programs also offer Honors options.

The cost of programs will vary so it's important for students to make sure they do their research for a program that suits them academically and financially. Financial aid and scholarships are available, and most scholarship, grant, and loan amounts students receive on campus can be applied to education abroad.

To learn more, students should visit the Education Abroad website ([educationabroad.msu.edu](https://educationabroad.msu.edu)) or

come to the Education Abroad Advising Center in room 108 of the International Center. Advising appointments are available on Zoom and walk-in hours are also available. The Center is staffed by Peer Advisers who already participated in a program abroad and have been trained to answer a variety of questions. They are more than happy to tell you about their experiences, answer your questions, and give you advice.

Contact Office for Education Abroad, 427 N. Shaw Lane, Room 108, International Center; phone: (517) 353-8920; email: [abroad@msu.edu](mailto:abroad@msu.edu); website: [educationabroad.msu.edu](https://educationabroad.msu.edu); social: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube.

### OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS

Michigan State University is proud to host an international community of over 6,000 students, scholars, employees, and their dependent family members from close to 140 countries. The international community greatly enriches the cultural, intellectual, and social life of the University.

Advisors and staff within the Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS) are aware of the demands associated with studying, working, and living in another country and are available to assist students, scholars, employees, and their dependents

in matters related to visa and immigration, health and wellness, programming, and advocacy.

International students, scholars, employees and their dependents may contact OISS through the following methods:

Phone: 517-353-1720

Email: [oiss@msu.edu](mailto:oiss@msu.edu)

**Zoom Appointments:** Students on F-1 and J-1 visas are assigned to a specific OISS advisor based on the student's birth month. OISS also has advisors specializing in Scholar and Employee advising, Health Care and Insurance, and Advocacy and Outreach. Students can schedule an appointment by visiting our OISS Advising Team website: [oiss.isp.msu.edu/about/oiss-advising-team/](https://oiss.isp.msu.edu/about/oiss-advising-team/).

Interested in learning more about OISS?

Obtain information on how to maintain immigration status in the U.S., employment authorization requirements, events and activities, and much more on the OISS website at [oiss.isp.msu.edu/](https://oiss.isp.msu.edu/).

Follow [@OISSMSU on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/OISSMSU) and Instagram.

Each week throughout the semester you will receive the OISS Weekly email newsletter. This newsletter includes important immigration reminders and updates as well as fun events on campus and in the community.

OISS, MSU, and the East Lansing community welcomes you to MSU!

We would like to thank MSUFCU for their generosity in making the Fall Welcome event a possibility.



MSUFCU HAS A LONG STANDING HISTORY OF PROVIDING FINANCIAL LITERACY TRAINING TO SPARTANS. FIND OUT MORE AT [msufcu.org/fin40](https://msufcu.org/fin40).



# MICHIGAN STATE ATHLETICS



## DO YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN CHEER THE SPARTANS ON FOR FREE?

MSU STUDENTS RECEIVE FREE  
ADMISSION TO THE FOLLOWING SPARTAN  
ATHLETIC EVENTS ON CAMPUS.  
JUST BRING YOUR MSU STUDENT I.D.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**  
**BASEBALL**  
**MEN'S & WOMEN'S SOCCER**  
**FIELD HOCKEY**  
**GYMNASTICS**  
**CROSS COUNTRY**  
**GOLF**

**VOLLEYBALL**  
**SOFTBALL**  
**WRESTLING**  
**TENNIS**  
**TRACK & FIELD**  
**ROWING**

## WANT TO EXPERIENCE SPARTAN FOOTBALL, MEN'S BASKETBALL OR HOCKEY?

Michigan State students can purchase season admissions to football and hockey, or secure an Izzone membership by visiting [msuspartans.com/stx](https://msuspartans.com/stx) or calling 517-355-1610.

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Questions about the MSU student sections?

Email [students@ath.msu.edu](mailto:students@ath.msu.edu) or visit [msuspartans.com/studentsections](https://msuspartans.com/studentsections).

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To stay in touch with the Michigan State Athletics on social media:  
Twitter (@MSU\_Athletics) - Facebook (/MSU\_Athletics) - Instagram (@MSU\_Athletics)

Greetings, Spartan!

Dear Spartans,

Welcome — or welcome back — to Michigan State University for the 2023-24 academic year. An exciting year awaits: one filled with unique opportunities to explore, learn and grow in a welcoming scholarly community that is focused on your success.

Here, you can learn from world-class faculty members and leaders in their fields in a vibrant university setting. Here, you can sample a wide range of studies from hundreds of courses. And here, you can complement your studies with the personal growth offered through cocurricular activities, including internships, service-learning and education abroad.

Enjoy the many entertainment and cultural activities hosted here, from sports events to musical, dance and theater performances to thought-provoking offerings at our museums and in special lectures. Grow your personal networks by participating in some of the 1,000-plus registered student organizations at MSU. Serve your community and expand your awareness by volunteering. Develop your understanding of other people and cultures by being an active part of this diverse and supportive campus community. Have fun at campus events and treat yourself to an MSU Dairy Store ice cream cone or enjoy a restorative stroll through our gardens.

The university offers a broad range of resources to support you, from academic advising to health services to recreational opportunities. Familiarize yourself with those as you learn your way around campus to take full advantage of the Spartan educational experience.

The friends you make and the memories you take will last a lifetime, as your MSU degree prepares you for the challenges ahead. Welcome, Spartans — I look forward to seeing you on campus this year!

My best,

Teresa K. Woodruff, Ph.D. (she/her)  
Interim President  
MSU Research Foundation Professor

