

# Student Checklist After Orientation

## Register for Classes

Your academic advisor will help you plan and register for classes. Registration for most classes takes place online through your <https://my.nmsu.edu> account. After registration, your advisor will help you view your Concise Student Schedule which includes all the details of your class schedule.

## Get your Student ID Card

Student ID cards are available from NMSU ID Card Services, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Bookstore on NMSU's Las Cruces Campus, (575) 646-2306. ID cards may also be obtained online by going to <https://idcard.nmsu.edu/>. There is no charge for your student ID card, and it does not expire.

## Apply for Financial Aid

Begin by filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <https://fafsa.gov/>. DACC's School Code is **E00876**. Then check the status of your application through your <https://my.nmsu.edu> account or with [DACC's Office of Financial Aid](#) (DASR 109, (575) 528-7000). [finaid@dacc.nmsu.edu](mailto:finaid@dacc.nmsu.edu). Your student ID card will be needed to receive services.

## Books4Less Program

Students will receive access to electronic course materials through Canvas and pick up any physical books or materials at the [DACC Bookstore](#). [Books4Less](#) provides course materials to students at a flat \$24 per credit hour rate.

## Make Time to Study and Get Tutoring

Generally, students need to study 1-2 hours outside of class for every one hour inside class to be successful. College instructors likely will not remind you to do your work, so it's up to you to take responsibility for your academic success. Consult with your academic advisor and the professionals in the [DACC Academic Readiness Center \(ARC\)](#) early in the semester for help.

## Get a Parking Permit

Parking permits may be required for paved lots/streets at DACC's Espina Campus. Comply with parking signage to avoid parking tickets. Permits are available at the East Mesa Cashier's Office in DASR 102B, 527-7516, or online at <http://park.nmsu.edu>.

## Pay Your Bill

Regardless if you qualify for financial aid or not, it is your responsibility to make sure your account is paid and in good standing with the Cashier's Office. You can check your account online through your <https://my.nmsu.edu> account or contact the DACC Cashier's Office at DASR 102B, 527-7516; DAGC 100, 882-6800; or DASP 106, 874-7780. Full payment plan options are available at <https://uar.nmsu.edu/payment-options/>.

## Use Student Supports

[Avanza](#) is the holistic student support office at DACC, providing an array of campus and community resources. Also explore the [Thrive](#), [Student Accessibility Services](#), and [Veteran's Programs](#) websites for additional supports.

## Check your NMSU Email Regularly

Students need to check their NMSU email weekly, since this is NMSU's official method of communicating with students. Check your email at <https://my.nmsu.edu>.

## Learn how to use the STAR Degree Audit

STAR Degree Audits list all of the courses you will need for your desired degree and show you how the courses you choose are helping you progress toward meeting your degree requirements. Share your audit with your academic advisor to make sure you are interpreting it correctly and taking the courses that will most benefit you. The website for the STAR degree audit is <https://degreeaudit.nmsu.edu>.

## Plan to See Your Academic Advisor Regularly

Meet with your advisor to plan your next semester courses before class registration begins.

- Registration for Spring classes begins in early November (meet with advisor in October).
- Registration for Summer/Fall classes begins in April (meet with advisor in March).

If you are considering pursuing a bachelor's degree, spend some time exploring <http://dacc.nmsu.edu/transfer/>.