Welcome, New eCampus Students

Getting Started

This checklist offers a step-by-step guide for the actions you need to take to begin your studies at OHIO. If you have questions along the way, don’t hesitate to contact your advisor.

STEP 1: Activate your OHIO ID.
You will use your OHIO ID to access several online services as a student. Here’s how to activate yours:

- Visit https://account.ohio.edu/
- Click on “Activate Account.”
- Enter your PID number and your birth date, and then click “Continue.”

STEP 2: Learn more about Catmail (OHIO student email).
All official email communications will come to your Catmail account, including your personalized email on registering for courses, from your advisor. Check this account often! Here’s how:

- Visit www.ohio.edu/oit/email/catmail

Do NOT forward your email to a personal account. Students who forward their email might not receive all important Ohio University messages.

STEP 3: Log in to your My OHIO Portal and the My OHIO Student Center.
You will use the My OHIO Portal and the My OHIO Student Center for registering for classes, paying your tuition and fees, viewing information about your financial aid offer, and many other important tasks. This is the communication hub for your OHIO account and the gateway to your My OHIO Student Center where you can locate all of your academic information.

- Log in at https://my.ohio.edu

STEP 4: Review the Student Knowledge Center portion of the eCampus website.
You will use the eCampus website often. Go to every link and discover all the tools that are available to help you succeed! Visit the Student Knowledge Center for a database of your academic information topics. There also is a new student web page to help reinforce your first “to-dos” at OHIO.

STEP 5: Complete the online student orientation.
The OHIO eCampus Undergraduate Orientation contains important information about what you should expect during your time as an online student at Ohio University. You should read through each section thoroughly; a comprehensive questionnaire follows the orientation. You must complete and pass this questionnaire in order to remove a temporary hold placed on your account. Once you complete the questionnaire, the hold will be removed the following business day. You also may want to refer back to the orientation whenever you have questions. The orientation is available at www.onlineorientation.net/ohio.

STEP 6: Prepare for your first advising session with your academic advisor.
Continue to familiarize yourself with the eCampus Student Knowledge Center and My OHIO Portal. Keep a list of any and all questions you may have for your advisor. When your transfer credit is evaluated and your DARS first becomes available, they will be in contact with you regarding your upcoming course enrollment and next steps.

Contact your advisor if you have any questions about this checklist, your orientation, or anything else prior to receiving your registration and course recommendations message.