



## BEFORE ORIENTATION

- Submit Immunization Record Form to the University Health Center**  
All new students are required to submit an Immunization Record form to the University Health Center (UHC) before Orientation. Please keep a copy of the form for your records. Download the form at [go.umd.edu/iaa-orientation](https://go.umd.edu/iaa-orientation)
- Pay \$100 Orientation Fee and Submit Sweatshirt Size**  
The fee is due two weeks prior to your orientation date. Please make checks payable to "University of Maryland" and mail to the IAA Office, or pay online at [go.umd.edu/iaa-orientation](https://go.umd.edu/iaa-orientation). Be sure to include your sweatshirt size.
- Set Up Your UMD Directory ID**  
Your Directory ID is a unique campus login ID that you will use to access accounts in Testudo, Canvas, and other campus resources. To set up your Directory ID, visit [directory.umd.edu](https://directory.umd.edu)
- Complete Your Housing and Meal Plan Contracts**  
If you plan to live on-campus, you must submit a housing agreement and meal plan contract by May 1st via [reslife.umd.edu](https://reslife.umd.edu)
- Take the Math Placement Test**  
Incoming Ag Forward students must take the UMD Math Placement Test at [go.umd.edu/mathplacement](https://go.umd.edu/mathplacement). Certificate-seeking students are strongly encouraged to take it if they plan to obtain their bachelor's but do not have to complete this step.

## DURING ORIENTATION

- Meet Your Advisor**  
Receive an IAA Student Handbook and meet with your advisor to create an academic plan within your program's curriculum.
- Register for Classes**  
Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Register for classes at [testudo.umd.edu](https://testudo.umd.edu).
- Submit Incoming Student Documents**  
All incoming students are required to submit an Academic Integrity Pledge, Student Information/Photo Permission Agreement, and Intent to Transfer Form. Access to these documents can be found at [go.umd.edu/incoming-docs](https://go.umd.edu/incoming-docs).
- Get Your UMD ID Card**  
Obtain a UMD-issued identification card at the Mitchell Building. You will need to provide your University identification (UID) number and show a government-issued photo ID (driver's license, passport, etc.). UMD ID cards are needed to enter your dorm, pay for dining hall meals, use the gym, ride the UMD shuttle bus, and participate in campus activities.

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- Follow Up with Financial Aid and Apply for Scholarships**  
Once you have submitted the FAFSA, follow up with UMD's Financial Aid Office. Visit [financialaid.umd.edu](https://financialaid.umd.edu) and select the "Check your financial aid status online" option. View and apply for IAA scholarships at [go.umd.edu/iaa-scholarships](https://go.umd.edu/iaa-scholarships).
- Health Insurance Waiver**  
If you already have health insurance coverage, submit a Health Insurance Waiver to avoid being charged for UMD's Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP). Submit your waiver at [health.umd.edu](https://health.umd.edu).
- On-campus Housing**  
If you have questions regarding your housing contract and/or meal plan, visit [reslife.umd.edu](https://reslife.umd.edu).
- Parking on Campus**  
If you plan to commute to campus, you will need to purchase a parking permit. Apply for a permit at [transportation.umd.edu](https://transportation.umd.edu).
- Veterans Education Benefits**  
Questions concerning VA education benefits can be directed to [thestamp.umd.edu/veteran\\_student\\_life/va\\_education\\_benefits](https://thestamp.umd.edu/veteran_student_life/va_education_benefits).