ORIENTATION
2015

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YOU CHOSE MICHIGAN TECH
AND WE CHOSE YOU RIGHT BACK.

CONGRATS!

We know you’re psyched to arrive, and we can’t wait to have you here. That’s why we’ve compiled this handy booklet with the info you need to prep for Tech. Get ready, complete your checklist items, learn about moving in, and meet a few of the people who will make your Orientation experience a true adventure.

DALLAS LINVILLE
Fourth Year, Biological Sciences/Pre-Med Major
Orientation Programming Coordinator

“Orientation Week is your time to make friends and get connected to campus. There are many events and opportunities offered during Orientation Week, so take advantage of everything before classes start.”
KNOW THE CHECKPOINTS

We’re counting down the days until you arrive, and hopefully you’re doing the same!

In the meantime, here are a few super-important things you’ll need to know to start planning your time at Tech, as well as a list of things for you to complete.

READ THE 2015 READING AS INQUIRY SELECTION

Your Summer Reading as Inquiry book is *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea*, by Barbara Demick. You’ll participate in a group discussion during Orientation, so make sure you buy and read the book before arriving on campus.
TAKE YOUR PLACEMENT TESTS
All new students will be registered for their classes by Michigan Tech staff in July. In order to be placed into the right classes, take the ALEKS Math Placement Assessment. Visit [www.mtu.edu/math/placement/aleks](http://www.mtu.edu/math/placement/aleks).

If you plan to study a foreign language, take the Modern Language Placement Test. See [www.mtu.edu/modern-languages](http://www.mtu.edu/modern-languages).

USE YOUR MYMICHIGANTECH PORTAL
[mymichigantech.mtu.edu](http://mymichigantech.mtu.edu)

On your MyMichiganTech portal, you’ll receive messages about any business you need to take care of before arriving on campus. Check your portal often. Through your MyMichiganTech portal, you will need to:

**SUBMIT YOUR HUSKycARD ID PHOTO**
Your HuskyCard is your official photo ID, room and building access key, residence hall meal pass, and debit card. Submit a photo for your HuskyCard, and your card will be ready when you arrive on campus.

**COMPLETE CAMPUS CLARITY**
All new Michigan Tech students are required to complete Campus Clarity: Think About It—a comprehensive foundation in four areas: sex in college, partying smart, sexual violence, and healthy relationships. Whether or not these scenarios apply to you, Think About It will provide simple strategies for keeping yourself and others safe. On August 1, you will get an email letting you know that the course is open and ready for completion.

**CONTACT YOUR ROOMMATE**
Also on August 1, you will receive notification of your room assignment, meal plan, mailing address, roommate’s name and contact information, and more. If you do not receive this on August 1, contact Housing and Residential Life at [906-487-2682](tel:906-487-2682) or [housing@mtu.edu](mailto:housing@mtu.edu). For more information about living on campus, visit [www.housing.mtu.edu](http://www.housing.mtu.edu).
STUDENT DISABILITY SERVICES
Disability Services handles accommodations for disabilities that might impact your experience. To be eligible for services, you must provide professional documentation to the Coordinator for Student Disability Services. For more information, visit www.mtu.edu/deanofstudents/students/disability.

COUNSELING SERVICES
If you currently receive or need counseling services or medication management, our Counseling Services office will be able to assist you at Michigan Tech. Contact them to arrange services for when you arrive on campus. Counseling sessions are free and confidential. For more information, visit www.counseling.mtu.edu or call 906-487-2538.

SYDNEY CHANEY
Third Year, Biomedical Engineering Major
Orientation Logistics Coordinator
“This is your time to adjust to college life. Make friends, find your way around campus, and learn about campus resources. Then, once you start classes and have a chance to adjust to the workload, you’ll know where to go for help, or to have fun.”
GET IN THE GAME
It’s time to head to Michigan Tech for move-in, Orientation, and your first weeks of school. Here’s what you need to know for those first days. We can’t wait to meet you!

WELCOME TO CAMPUS
Move-in weekend is August 22–23. Signs will direct you to new student check-in—your first stop after arriving on campus. We’ve included a campus map on the inside back cover of this publication to help you find your way around. For a smooth move-in, simply follow the steps below.

STEP 1: NEW STUDENT CHECK-IN
Hold the unpacking! The first thing to do when you arrive is check in at the Rozsa Center for the Performing Arts (#10). You can check in on Saturday, August 22, between 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM, or Sunday, August 23, between 9:00 AM and noon.

STEP 2: MOVE-IN
After you’ve checked in, find your residence hall and let the move-in commence. The Michigan Tech Welcome Crew—a team of friendly Husky helpers—will assist you throughout the process.

DAN NELLIS
Fourth Year, Audio Production and Technology and Computer Engineering Major
Orientation Training and Staff Coordinator
“Come to college with an open mind and be receptive to new ideas and experiences. College is a place to branch out, step out of your comfort zone, have new experiences, and try that thing you never thought you would. Start your adventure!”
Give your parents and family a taste of Michigan Tech. We offer a variety of activities throughout the weekend—see below for details.

**PARENT AND FAMILY ORIENTATION**
Our informal and informational intro to Michigan Tech for families of first-year students will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 22–23. Tour campus, attend info sessions, learn about University resources, and meet other parents in a relaxed environment.

**SIBLING ORIENTATION**
Younger siblings of first-year students can have their own Michigan Tech Orientation experience. Sibling Orientation will be held August 23 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, and is open to youth in grades 6–12. The cost for participation is $15, which includes supplies and lunch. Pre-registration is required.

**STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE SOCIAL AND FAMILY FAREWELL**
After the University Welcome, relax and join us for food and fun at the Strawberry Shortcake Social and Family Farewell—August 23 from 2:30 to 4:30 PM. New students and children under five are free; family members and guests must purchase tickets in advance ($5 per attendee).

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [www.mtu.edu/success/orientation/parents-family](http://www.mtu.edu/success/orientation/parents-family).
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
• Attend the University Welcome, and say “see you soon” to family at the Strawberry Shortcake Social and Family Farewell.
• Meet your Orientation Team Leader and your Orientation team.

MONDAY, AUGUST 24
• Get to know your academic department.
• Learn about becoming a responsible member of our community from current students and staff.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25
• Discuss Summer Reading as Inquiry with author Barbara Demick.
• Attend the Library Expo, and learn all about campus, library resources, and the Pavlis Honors College.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26
• Participate in a talk about college students and the law with C.L. Lindsay.
• Check out the Student Development Complex and Husky athletics at the Sports and Fitness Festival.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27
• Attend Day Zero sessions for your core classes.
• Dance the night away at the Global Social and McNair Hall Association Dance.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28
• Attend Day Zero classes.
• Indulge in part of a 500-foot-long banana split—seriously!
• See illusionist Craig Karges on stage at the Rozsa Center.
ORIENTATION TRIPS—AUGUST 29–30

Our students will be the first to tell you: one of the best things about Michigan Tech is the location—so register for an Orientation Trip and get out and explore! Day and overnight trips are available to places such as the Porcupine Mountains, Sylvania Wilderness Area, local mines, and more.

Day trips are scheduled for August 29–30—the weekend after Orientation Week. Overnight trips will take place on Labor Day weekend and are open to all new first-year students. Pre-registration is required.

Trips are popular and fill up quickly—register early at www.mtu.edu/success/orientation/undergraduate/first-year/trips.
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