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DENVER

STUDENT SUCCESS ROADMAP

Highlights the various experiences students are encouraged to engage in during their academic journey at MSU Denver.

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EVERY SEMESTER

- Get to know your instructors** through in-class interaction, email, and office hours. Introduce yourself and ask a few questions – they are here to help!
- Meet with your academic advisor** to help you meet your goals, plan your degree, and connect you to important resources on campus. Don't even know what an academic advisor is or need help finding your advisor and scheduling an appointment? **Visit the CLAS Academic Advising Resources site.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-advising)
 - Your assigned advisor is: _____ Office: _____ Email: _____
- Register early** to get the perfect schedule!
 - Need a refresher about how to sign up for classes? **Check out the Office of the Registrar's registration guide.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-guide)
 - Use the **Academic Calendar** for important dates and deadlines. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-calendar)
- Bookmark the Student Hub page:** This will be your BFF during your time at MSU Denver. You can even check your registration date and time through the Register button. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-hub)
- Regularly check-in to your Canvas, Navigate Student, and email accounts:** Be in the know on all dates, holds, financial aid information, academic advising, and more.
- Check your Degree Progress Report** to see the courses you have completed, what you are registered for and remaining requirements. **You may be asking, "What's a degree progress report?" We can help.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-progressreport)
- Apply for financial aid and scholarships:** Even if you do not think you will qualify, fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or for Dreamers and International Students, complete the Colorado Application for Federal Student Aid (CASFA) both available on October 1. **Your financial aid advisors are always available for questions and guidance.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-financialaid)
- Complete the College Opportunity Fund (COF) application (Colorado residents):** Want free money? **Authorize the COF stipend on our Student Hub portal** if you are a Colorado resident. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-COF)
- Submit a Health Insurance Opt-Out Waiver:** Already have health insurance? **Submit your "Opt-Out Waiver"** by the deadline every semester you take nine or more credits. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-waiver)
- Visit the Classroom to Career (C2) Hub to land your dream job** because it is never too early to plan for your future. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-C2Hub)
- Become friends with your peer mentor:** They know the ins and outs of MSU Denver. Check your email for their contact information. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-mentor)
- Follow us!** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-follow)

KNOW WHERE TO GO!

- Build your skills** by completing the **Oral Communication**, **Quantitative Literacy**, and **Written Communication** (First-Year Writing) **General Studies requirements**. Don't forget about the **Multicultural** and **Global Diversity** requirements, too. Your advisor can help you choose options. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-generalstudies)
- Learn to use online tools** like: Student Hub, Canvas, and Degree Progress Report.
- Use your FREE resources** like supplemental instruction, tutoring, learning assistants, teaching assistants, and the Writing Center to help you succeed.
- Still undecided or exploring majors?** **Meet with an Exploratory Academic Advisor.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-explore)
- Meet with a career counselor in the C2 Hub** to discover how your passions and interests align with your dream job. (C2Hub@msudenver.edu)
- Have a favorite instructor?** Ask them about their career path and options for you!
- Get involved with your major department, its activities, clubs, and events.**
- Stay involved by finding your community!** MSU Denver offers over **120 student clubs and organizations**...there's something for everyone! (bit.ly/clasroadmap-orgs)
- Invite your fam to campus** for a weekend of fun during Family Weekend!
- Can you really afford to take out that loan?** **Learn more about the costs and benefits of financing school.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-loans)
- Hit a roadblock?** Feeling stressed? **Check in with Student Engagement and Wellness** for free resources to support you through the bump in the road. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-wellness)

KICKSTART YOUR CAREER!

- Declare your major!** Your major must be declared by 45 credit hours (bit.ly/clasroadmap-declare). Need help figuring this out? **Let your Academic Advisor be your guide.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-advising)
- Don't be a follower!** Explore leadership opportunities, become a peer mentor, work on campus.
- Have some fun!** Attend the Fall Fest and Spring Fling between classes.
- Want to travel and study in another country? Or give back to your community while earning college credit?** You can! **Learn more about doing undergraduate research, participating in service learning or studying abroad.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-experience)
- Update your resume for the W** with help from your **career counselor at the C2 Hub.** (C2Hub@msudenver.edu)



ALMOST THERE!

- Stay Engaged!** As your career path becomes clearer, you'll need to engage in activities that help you get relevant experience through internships, leadership programs, undergraduate research, service learning, job shadowing, studying abroad, volunteering and career-related jobs.
- Polish up that resume** by using [Vmock](https://bit.ly/clasroadmap-vmock) to get personalized feedback. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-vmock)
- Set up a LinkedIn profile** to start building your network with classmates, co-workers and alumni.
- Get fired up for the job search:** Do you love your current job? Looking for something new? [Learn more about the job search process](#) and find opportunities that meet your education **and** career goals. (bit.ly/clasroadmap-jobsearch)
- Set up your CareerLink account** to apply for jobs and internships, upload and manage your resume, sign up for workshops, career fairs and other campus recruiting events! (bit.ly/clasroadmap-career)
- Interested in Graduate school?** Faculty advisors can help with finding schools, applications, and much more! (bit.ly/clasroadmap-gradschool)
- Verify you're on track for graduation** with your academic advisor.

YOU DID IT! CONGRATULATIONS!

- Complete a Senior Experience course.** Academic advisors and faculty advisors can help with choosing a course that is right for you.
- Apply for graduation!** Degrees are not awarded automatically! (bit.ly/clasroadmap-grad)
- Time to focus on your career!** Review job postings through Career Link and attend job fairs and hiring events. If you are graduating in May, start searching for jobs in the Fall.
- Identify references** for jobs or graduate school among faculty, advisors, and employers. Seek their permission so you can use them as a reference.
- Get prepped!** Participate in mock interviews for employment or graduate school admission.
- Did you take out student loans?** Learn more about [loan repayment and resources](#). (bit.ly/clasroadmap-loans)
- Celebrate!** Get a drink at the Tivoli and cheers to your future – you did it!
- Attend commencement!** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-commencement)
- Keep us in the loop! Connect with Alumni Relations.** (bit.ly/clasroadmap-alumni)
- Collect your **graduation gift** and tell us what's **next!**

Have any questions? Send us an email at collegelas@msudenver.edu

