

## New Student Survival Checklist

Congratulations, you've been admitted to UC Denver! The following is a checklist that you can use to ensure that you have done everything you need to by the time classes begin.

- 1. Academic Advising**
  - Your advisor will outline your degree requirements and introduce you to the University policies. You can also use your advisor as your campus "Information Booth." Please call 303-556-2279 or stop by Arts Building 177 to make an appointment.
  - CAM's advising website has degree sheets, how to handouts and more: <http://cam.ucdenver.edu>.
- 2. Registration**
  - Use the UCDAccess system to register as soon as you are eligible, as this will increase the likelihood of securing seats in the classes you want to take. Your advisor can help you determine the best courses to take. [www.ucdenver.edu/UCDAccess](http://www.ucdenver.edu/UCDAccess).
  - See also "How To Register" handout (<http://cam.ucdenver.edu> > Student Resources > Handouts & Forms > How To Register).
- 3. College Opportunity Fund**
  - This is the partial government subsidy for in-state, undergraduate tuition. Colorado residents need to authorize these funds. [www.ucdenver.edu/registrar](http://www.ucdenver.edu/registrar) > Students > Policies & Procedures > College Opportunity Fund.
- 4. Waitlist Info**
  - Students who choose to put themselves on a waitlist (WL) when they register for classes are highly encouraged to read & make sure they understand the WL policies (<http://cam.ucdenver.edu> > Student Resources > Handouts & Forms > Waitlist Info). WLs require that the students be proactive about monitoring their schedules, regardless of whether faculty advise students they are on the class list or not. Call you advisor with any questions about how WLs work and what your responsibilities are. Students are assessed tuition for WL classes.
- 5. Tuition, Financial Aid & Scholarships**
  - Tuition & fees are listed online at [www.ucdenver.edu](http://www.ucdenver.edu) > Tuition & Financing > Downtown Tuition & Fees. These schedules do *not* include costs for housing, books, parking, health insurance or supplies.
  - Due to high demand for our classes, UC Denver requires a \$200 tuition pre-payment from all students *each semester* before they can register for classes. Students can pay this deposit through the UCDAccess system with a credit/debit card or electronic check. Students who have applied for Financial Aid may be able to have this fee waived. Contact the Financial Aid Office for more info.
  - Office of Financial Aid: [www.ucdenver.edu](http://www.ucdenver.edu) > Tuition & Financing > Downtown Financial Aid; 303-556-2886 or North Classroom 1030.
  - Scholarship Resource Office: [www.ucdenver.edu](http://www.ucdenver.edu) > Scholarships; 303-352-3608 or CU Building 120.
- 6. New Student Orientation**
  - Orientation is required for all new students. Students must RSVP in order to attend. Call 303-352-3520 or stop by North Classroom 2024.
- 7. Student ID Card**
  - Once you have registered, you can obtain a UC Denver Student ID card. Take a printout of your schedule, and your current photo ID to the Campus ID Program in Tivoli 269. 303-556-8385.
  - First-time UC Denver students are eligible for a free ID card, but must pick up a voucher from the Service Center, North Classroom 1003.
  - Students registered for at least one on-campus class can get a sticker on their ID card (each semester) from Campus ID, which entitles them to use the campus computer labs, gym, library, etc., and serves as their bus pass (see Parking & Transportation).
- 8. Student Email Account**
  - Email is an official means of communication at UC Denver. Students are required to use and regularly check their student email account.
  - To activate your University email account, go to [www.ucdenver.edu](http://www.ucdenver.edu) > Web Mail > Downtown Students > Activate.
- 9. Student Housing**
  - Freshmen are required to live in Campus Village, or petition for a waiver. Campus housing is optional for all other students. [www.ucdenver.edu](http://www.ucdenver.edu) > Student Housing
  - Our Commuter Resource Center has info on apartments, roommates, bus schedules, etc. Call 303-556-3315 or stop by Tivoli 269.
- 10. Student Health Insurance**
  - Students can get health insurance through UC Denver. Coverage is by positive enrollment only (students may also maintain private health insurance). [www.ucdenver.edu](http://www.ucdenver.edu) > Health/Well-Being > Downtown Campus Health Insurance; 303-556-6273 or stop by Tivoli 303.
- 11. Parking & Transportation**
  - Students who elect to drive to campus can choose between daily fee and permit-only parking lots. Contact the Parking & Transportation Center for information: 303-556-2000 or stop by the Parking and Transportation Center (777 Lawrence Way).
  - The semester ID sticker serves as a bus pass for the local RTD bus & light rail service (show ID to driver or ticket checker). This sticker also entitles the student to discounted rates on other routes such as the Airport Ride. [www.rtd-denver.com](http://www.rtd-denver.com).
- 12. Purchase Your Books**
  - Once you are ready to purchase your textbooks and materials (usually 1-2 weeks before classes begin), you have a choice of purchasing them on campus or through private retailers (Big Dog, Book Byte, Amazon, etc).
  - Get a list of what books are required through the Auraria Bookstore: [www.aurariabooks.com](http://www.aurariabooks.com).

**That's it! You are now ready to begin classes. Have a great semester!**