Welcome to Boise State! This guide addresses the most common questions new Broncos have, and introduces you to some great opportunities to get involved and be supported in your first year and beyond. What you see here just scratches the surface! If you don’t find what you’re looking for in here, try typing your interest into the search bar at boisestate.edu, run a simple Google search, or email us at firstyearsupport@boisestate.edu. We’re here to help!

-The New Student Programs Team
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Build a Life That Works

**How will you persevere?**
Being a learner and becoming educated means wins and losses (you can bank on both). The average semester feels long, at some point... and HARD. Doing things that remind you that you’re not alone will keep you going.

When I have a WIN, I will share it with:

When I feel deflated, or that I’ve suffered a set back or failure, I will share it with:

*TIP: Share these with the important people in your life and pay attention to what you say to yourself.

**Plan the BASICS**
On pages 5-9, map out your classes, when/where you will eat, exercise/move, study, play, sleep, shop for food/essentials.

In order to feel good and learn effectively, I need this many hours of sleep per night:

To be well, I must prioritize (habit/activity):

A few things I’ll need to start doing for myself are:

**Remember what makes you feel like YOU**
What activities/habits have you enjoyed most in the past few years? PLAN to KEEP doing the easy things that make you feel good.

Example: pick-up basketball, playing piano, youth group, etc.

I will continue to:

**Rally your support system**
Whose support do you need to be a solid student this year (one semester at a time)? Family, mentors, boss/manager, friends who believe in you?

*TIP: If you already have a job, send your class schedule to your manager so they understand your priorities. Request to schedule work around your classes.

People I will tell about my classes (what I’m taking, what’s exciting/daunting):

My fall semester professors (they are part of your support system!):

**Challenges make us feel alive!**
What will I try for the first time now that I am here? (Ideas: Join a club, greet people first, exercise regularly):

**Broncos need a herd**
Focus your energy not only on taking good care of yourself. Take care of the people around you, too! No kindness is too small, and you never know what your small act of kindness might mean to another Bronco.

3 comfortable ways I can be excellent to the people around me:
1) ____________________________________________
2) ____________________________________________
3) ____________________________________________

**Let your purpose be your guide**
Why are you here? What drives YOU to earn this degree? Why does it matter to you (not anyone else?)? It’s ok to consult with the people you trust and love, but what you write next needs to resonate with you.

My north star phrase... the purpose that will guide me and keep me on course:
What Should You Know?
Boise State’s general education program, University Foundations, lays the groundwork for all Boise State majors, making up about one-third of every bachelor’s degree. Connecting what you learn about the arts, sciences, mathematics, humanities, and social sciences with your more specific plan of study will do more than make you interesting (though it will certainly do that). It will help you become more flexible, articulate, and creative.

Employers don’t look just for “majors.” They look for well-rounded individuals with a capacity to learn, evolve, and lead.

What Can You Do?
University Foundations courses are designed to boost skills that virtually every employer in the country is demanding:

- The ability to write and speak clearly
- A capacity to work ethically within a diverse team
- A critical eye for solving problems

Who Can You Become?
University graduates earn, on average, more than $1 million more in their lifetimes than those without a degree. Why? Because the most skilled graduates haven’t just earned a piece of paper. They’ve become a stronger learner. Once you become a well-rounded, life-long learner you can continue learning long past college graduation. Those who may one day employ you, or promote you — or befriend you — will gauge your ability to continue growing, your curiosity, your purpose, your knowledge, your ability to make connections, think critically and speak clearly.

What you know, what you can do, and who you have become at Boise State can help shape your life far into the future, because you will have become the type of learner who can meet the future, no matter what it turns out to be.

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Scan the QR code or go to [boisestate.edu/registrar/boise-state-academic-calendars](http://boisestate.edu/registrar/boise-state-academic-calendars) to get a schedule of important dates for the academic year.
Your Relationship with your Professors Matters

Your professors are an important resource to you in your academic journey. They are your first and best resource in seeking clarification on course concepts and assignments. They can also help you to understand your path at the university, and to make important college and career decisions.

Here are a few basic pointers to help you connect with faculty (just another word for professors):

Take Advantage of Office Hours

Office hours are regular times each week that instructors reserve for conversations with students: office hours are for you. Faculty office hours are one of your most important academic resources. Your professor’s office hours will be listed on your course syllabus.

If you are unable to make your professor’s office hours or would rather communicate electronically, send them an email introducing yourself.

During Office Hours You Can

- Ask for clarification on specific assignments.
- Check in on the goals of the course and make sure you’re on track.
- Admit you’re lost or struggling. Your intuition might be to hide things like this from faculty and seek help elsewhere, so they don’t know you’ve been struggling. Being open with your professor is a good idea. This gives them a chance to point you to good resources and to appreciate the effort you put towards improvement.
- Make connections that will be important to you for advice, mentoring, and references.

Building Relationships With Faculty

Getting to know your faculty can lead to:

- Recommendations for future coursework
- Research opportunities
- Involvement and scholarship opportunities
- Becoming a Teacher’s Assistant or Learning Assistant
TEXTBOOKS/E-TEXTBOOKS

Inclusive Access
- Many courses at Boise State use a program called Inclusive Access (IA) to deliver your textbooks and other materials digitally.
- Charges for IA materials will appear on your student account as “etextbook” charges. These prices are typically the lowest available for the materials.
- You can access your materials when the term begins from “Course Materials” links in Canvas for each specific course.
- If you choose to opt out of IA materials, the Student Financial Services office will issue refunds after the add/drop date for the term, usually 2-3 weeks after the term begins. You’ll lose access to materials after that date, and you’ll be responsible for finding materials on your own.

General Textbook Information
- Access your custom book list on your myBoiseState account. The “Buy Your Textbooks” link (in the “Tools and Resources” list) will take you to a list of books and other items for your specific courses. You can buy right from this list, use the provided links to buy other formats like e-books, or compare prices from other websites.
- If you order books from the Bronco Shop (thank you!), you can pick them up at the Bronco Shop in the Student Union Building. If you choose to have them shipped to you, normal shipping rates will apply.

Other Store Offerings
- The Bronco Shop has a wide variety of computers - Apple and PCs - and all the accessories and cables you need for your tech gear.
- The art and school supply departments have pens, pencils, notebooks, and items like engineering paper and drafting supplies.
- And of course, you’ll find the largest variety of Bronco gear in the WORLD!

HOUSING

The earlier you apply, the more choices you have. Even if you have just moved in, it’s never too early to start thinking about where you will live next year. Room assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis based on the date your application and deposit are received.

If you apply before the priority deadline, you can select roommates and then your housing assignment for the next academic year. If you are currently living on campus in Sophomore and Above housing you will still need to re-apply for the upcoming academic year.

After the priority deadline, housing options may be limited, but housing will make every effort to help you find a space in these locations or alternative options located close to campus.
ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Advising and Academic Support Center
• Location: Simplot Micron Advising and Success Hub, 1st floor
• Phone: (208) 426-4049
• Email: academic@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/aasc

Chemistry Instructional Center
• Location: Education Building, Room 107
• Website: boisestate.edu/chemistry/chemistry-instructional-center-cic

English Language Support Programs
• Location: Liberal Arts Building, Room 228
• Phone: (208) 426-4238
• Email: englishsupport@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/englishsupport

Math Learning Center
• Location: Math Building, Room 121
• Phone: (208) 426-5694
• Email: mathlearningcenter@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/math/academics/mlc

World Languages Resource Center
• Location: Albertsons Library, L140B
• Website: boisestate.edu/worldlang/wlrc

Albertsons Library
• Location: 1865 W Cesar Chavez Ln
• Phone: (208) 426-1204
• Email: circulation@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/library

Campus Information Desk
• Location: Student Union Building next to Starbucks
• Phone: (208) 426-4636
• Email: infodesk@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/infodesk

Educational Access Center
• Location: Lincoln Garage
• Phone: (208) 426-1583
• Email: eacinfo@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/eac

Kount Tutoring Center (Computer Science)
• Location: City Center Plaza Building, Room CCP 241
• Website: boisestate.edu/coen-cs/currentstudents/success-tutoring

Writing Center
• Location: Liberal Arts Building, Room 200
• Phone: (208) 426-1298
• Email: writing@boisestate.edu
• Website: boisestate.edu/writingcenter
ACADEMIC ADVISING OFFICES

College of Arts and Sciences (COAS)
- Location: 6th floor of the Education Building
- Phone Number: (208) 426-1414
- Email Address: coas-info@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/coas

College of Business and Economics (COBE)
- Location: Micron Business and Economics Building, Room 3131
- Phone Number: (208) 426-1125
- Email Address: cobe-info@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/cobe

College of Education (COED)
- Location: Education Building, 7th floor, Office 722
- Phone Number: (208) 426-1134
- Email Address: boisestatecoe@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/education

College of Engineering (COEN)
- Location: RUCH Engineering Building
- Phone Number: (208) 426-2688
- Email Address: coendean@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/coen

College of Health Sciences (COHS)
- Location: NORCO Nursing and Health Services Building, Suite 116
- Phone Number: (208) 426-4141
- Email Address: COHS@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/healthsciences

College of Innovation and Design (CID)
- Location: Albertsons Library, 2nd floor, Room 201G
- Phone Number: (208) 426-2975
- Email Address: cid@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/cid

School of Public Service (SPS)
- Location: Education Building 7th floor, Room 722
- Phone Number: (208) 426-1368
- Email Address: schoolofpublicservice@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/sps

Undeclared/Exploring Majors
- Location: Simplot Micron Advising and Success Hub, 1st floor
- Phone Number: (208) 426-4049
- Email Address: academic@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/aasc/explore-change-majors

Honors College
- Location: Honors College, 1st floor
- Phone Number: (208) 426-1122
- Email Address: honorscollege@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/honors

Advising and Academic Support Center (AASC)
- Location: Simplot Micron Advising and Success Hub, 1st floor
- Phone Number: (208) 426-4049
- Email Address: academic@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/aasc

Academic Development and Recovery
- Email Address: academicrecovery@boisestate.edu
- Website: boisestate.edu/aasc/academic-development-and-recovery

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/aasc to access the Advising and Academic Support Center.
Meal Plans
If you’re a first year student living on campus, you’ll need a weekly meal plan (it’s required).

Meal plans have 2 components:
1. Swipes get you into the dining halls, like Buster’s Kitchen and SouthFork Dining.
2. Dining dollars can be used like cash at all eateries on campus, including the Markets.

Swipes give you access to fresh, healthy foods that you don’t have to shop for, prepare, or clean up. And the price is set for a full year. Dining dollars allow you to grab a coffee or quick bite to eat with your friends between classes.

Keep in mind, Boise State University dining has gone cashless so meals and dining dollars are loaded on your Bronco Card when you’re on campus.

To access your Bronco Card account, opt into a meal plan, and view your balance, use the QR code below or visit the Information Desk in the Student Union Building (page 12).

Commuter Students
If you’re not living on campus, you’re still welcome and encouraged to buy a meal plan. One swipe at Buster’s Kitchen or SouthFork gives you a comfortable space to study, snack and relax between classes (with no time limit, and all you care to eat).

Choose from four plans designed for you. See your options on our website at dineoncampus.com/boisestate

Dietitian
If you have food allergies or follow a special diet for medical, religious, or personal reasons, our registered dietitian will help you find the best foods for you. If you just have a quick question, text us at (208) 205-9964. For more detailed information, email boisestatedining@boisestate.edu.

Boise State Dining hosts about 50 special events in the dining halls each year. Keep up-to-date on Instagram, @BoiseStateDining, or dineoncampus.com/boisestate

What’s on the Menu!
Scan the QR code below or go to dineoncampus.com/BoiseState/whats-on-the-menu to see what’s being served.
FINDING FOOD ON CAMPUS

Scan the QR code or go to dineoncampus.com/BoiseState/campus-map to access the campus dining map.
Scan the QR code or go to maps.boisestate.edu to access the digital campus map.
Who can use the Educational Access Center?

Students who have a diagnosed condition and need accommodations can register with the EAC. They work with students who have learning disabilities, medical conditions, mental health related needs, blindness/low vision, or may be neurodivergent or deaf/hard of hearing.

Common accommodations include:
- Extended time on exams
- Alternate testing environment
- Note taking support
- Accessible text materials
- Accessible audio/visual materials
- Housing and emotional support animals

Qualifying students may also receive coaching and mentoring, specialized social opportunities, and academic skill building support.

What is the Educational Access Center?

The Educational Access Center – or EAC – helps students access accommodations for temporary or permanent disabilities. Access coordinators work with students, faculty and staff to make sure all students have the tools and adaptations they need to thrive at Boise State.

How to register with the EAC:

1. Start by filling out the accommodation request form at [boisestate.edu/eac](http://boisestate.edu/eac).
2. Your request will be reviewed and a staff member will contact you to schedule an appointment.
3. At your appointment, we’ll create an accommodation plan together.
4. Then, you can request those accommodations and we’ll reach out to your instructors to get you what you need.

Resources to explore:

- Accessing computers, printers, and scanners (print via Bronco Print: [boisestate.edu/oit/print-at-boise-state](http://boisestate.edu/oit/print-at-boise-state))
- The Bronco Learning Commons academic support services
- Borrowing reading materials (books, textbooks, journals, etc.)
- Research and reference instruction
- MakerLab
- Space reservations, including study rooms, the video production suite, and the podcast studio
- Technology loans, including laptops

Scan the QR code or go to [boisestate.edu/library/using-the-library](http://boisestate.edu/library/using-the-library) for library resources.
The Rec Center is home to the department of Campus Recreation and is the hub of healthy, active lifestyles on campus. Visit the Rec Center to participate in group exercise classes, explore the climbing gym, splash in the pools, or discover your new favorite workout routine. As a full-time, fee paying student, you have access to the Rec Center at no additional cost.

Facilities
The Rec Center is more than just a gym! Inside the Rec Center you will discover an assortment of recreational amenities including:

- The Climbing Gym with over 7,000 square feet of climable space including a bouldering section
- The Aquatics Complex with three bodies of water including a spa, lap pool, and recreational pool
- Four Fitness Studios that host daily group fitness classes such as Barre, Cycle, HIIT, Kickboxing, Total Body Strength and Yoga
- Three hardwood courts for volleyball and basketball, a weight room, an indoor running track, and a variety of cardio machines

Outdoor Programs
The Outdoor Program is a student-led community that takes participants on trips all over Idaho and beyond. Each trip is complete with gear, food, transportation and instruction. Whether it’s snowshoeing to local hot springs, backpacking in the Sawtooth mountains, or rafting the world-class waters of the Payette River, all students can participate regardless of experience or background.

The Outdoor Program also offers:

- Affordable gear rentals for skiing, snowboarding, rafting, camping and backpacking
- Access to a climbing gym in the Rec Center

Rec Sports
Continue your love for a sport while you’re at Boise State, and participate in Intramural Sports and Club Sports.

Intramural Sports
Intramural Sports provide competition on campus for recreational and competitive athletes. Intramural Sport offerings include:

- Basketball
- Soccer
- Flag Football
- Volleyball
- Bowling
- Spikeball
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Softball
- Pickleball

Club Sports
Club Sports include 26 competitive teams that compete in local, regional, and national competitions. Teams practice on a regular basis, have non-player coaches, compete for conference championships, and represent Boise State University. Club Sports offerings include:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Boxing
- Disc Golf
- Hockey
- Lacrosse
- Rodeo
- Running
- Rugby
- Soccer
- Softball
- Sporting Arms
- Tennis
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Water Polo
- Wrestling

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/recreation to learn more about the Campus Recreation Center.
PAYING FOR SCHOOL

Build Your Budget
The Bottom Line Estimator helps you calculate if you’ll owe money or get a refund after receiving your financial aid for the semester. You can enter your housing choices, enrollment, and individual information, then automatically subtract the financial aid you are scheduled to receive.

How to Pay for School
Access Transact, our third-party payment processor, through myBoiseState to view charges, make payments and set up payment plans. Produce an official invoice on letterhead with the Term Summary Report.

Note: Financial aid will not show here until it pays to your student account 10 days prior to the start of the semester.

Student Employment
Check out Handshake for on and off campus jobs, work-study jobs, internships, and post-graduation positions. Work-study is available for many students. Check your financial aid offer, or contact the Financial Aid Office for eligibility. Go to page 28 to learn more about Handshake and student jobs.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING RESOURCES:

Apply for Aid Yearly
☐ Complete the FAFSA application
☐ Complete the Boise State Scholarship Application
☐ Idaho Residents: Complete the Idaho Opportunity Scholarship
☐ Apply for private scholarships throughout the year

Parent PLUS Loans
Parent PLUS loans can be used by parents of a dependent undergraduate student. Offered through the federal government and payments can be deferred as long as the student is enrolled at least half-time (6 credits). Credit contingent and parents must apply each academic year in May at studentaid.gov. Dependent students can request additional unsubsidized loans if their parent is denied.

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Alternative Student Loans
Alternative loans are loans from private companies that specialize in student loans. Terms and conditions of these loans can vary from lender to lender and we recommend shopping around if going this route. The Alternative Loan Tool can help narrow down the loan type you are looking for.

Financial Guidance Resources:
UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES

Providing convenient, accessible and high-quality health care to the campus community.

• Medical
• Counseling
• Wellness
• Walk-ins welcome

Location
NORCO Building, 2nd floor
1529 Belmont Street, Boise, ID 83706
(behind the Rec Center)

Hours
• Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
• Wed: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Contact Information
• boisestate.edu/healthservices
• healthservices@boisestate.edu
• (208) 426-1459

SERVICES OFFERED:

Medical
• Primary care
• Urgent care
• Lab
• Vaccines
• Cold and flu
• Medication dispensary
• Psychiatry
• Massage

Counseling
• Individual counseling
• Couples counseling
• Group counseling
• Crisis intervention
• ADHD assessments
• Mental health screenings
• Oasis room

Wellness/Broncofit
• Dietitian
• Wellness events
• Sexual health
• Peer education
• Wellness champions
• Custom workshops and presentations

Insurance and Billing
• Health services accepts most insurance plans
• Voluntary State Health Insurance Assistance Program
• Assistance with insurance and billing information

Crisis
• Call or Text 988, Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

Connect with Us
• Instagram: @BoiseStateHealthServices
• Twitter: @BSU_Health
• facebook.com/BoiseStateHealth
• pinterest.com/broncofitdietitian

My Health Patient Portal
Online service that provides personalized and secure 24/7 access to portions of your health records.

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/healthservices/patient-portal to learn more and access resources.
Boise State provides on-campus and off-campus resources to support the safety and well-being of all students. Anyone can make a report at anytime, even to self-report. Your report will be handled with as much confidentiality and sensitivity as the situation allows.

* = Confidential Resource

**ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES:** All resources are no-cost unless otherwise stated.

**University Health Services***
Counseling, walk-in cruising intervention, medical exams, wellness services (BroncoFit) and support groups. Offers fee-based services and will not turn anyone away for the inability to pay.
- **NORCO Building**
- **(208) 426-1459**
- boisestate.edu/healthservices

**Gender Equity Center***
Advocacy, case management, information on options, safety planning and referrals for counseling.
- **Student Union Building, 2nd floor**
- **(208) 426-4259**
- boisestate.edu/genderequity

**Office of Title IX and Institutional Equity**
Academic adjustments to classes, campus housing and parking relocations, referrals for complimentary counseling, reporting to the University, investigations and safety planning.
- **University Plaza, Suite 250**
- **(208) 426-1258**
- boisestate.edu/compliance/title-ix

**Department of Public Safety**
Campus crime reporting, security escorts and silent witness form (anonymous reporting). The Rave Guardian app helps keep you safe on campus, contact emergency services, and alert your emergency contacts.
- **(208) 426-6911 (Available 24/7)**
- boisestate.edu/publicsafety

**OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES:** All resources are no-cost unless otherwise stated.

**Faces of Hope Victim Center***
Case management, clothing closet, counseling, educational classes, medical and forensic exams, protection orders and civil legal aid, safety planning, support groups, vouchers for food and transportation, emergency shelter and assistance with other basic needs.
- **(208) 577-4400**
- facesofhopevictimcenter.org

**The WCA***
Case management, counseling, court advocacy, financial empowerment classes, safety planning, support groups and shelter.
- **(208) 343-7025 (Available 24/7)**
- wcaboise.org

**Ada County Non-Emergency Dispatch**
Off-campus crime reporting.
- **(208) 377-6790 (Available 24/7)**

**BASIC NEEDS SUPPORT - OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS:**

**Our Services**
- Case Management
- Post-Hospitalization
- Impact Scholars Program
- Food Assistance
- Financial Assistance
- Student Death Support
- Emergency Absence Notifications
- ASBSU Legal Assistance

**Contact Us:**
- **Campus School Building Suite 120**
- **(208) 426-1527**

Use the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/studentoutreach to find more information and to get in contact with the Office of the Dean of Students.
THE OPPOSITE OF CRISIS IS WELLNESS

Prioritize your everyday wellness to maintain balance and optimize your learning! Explore the 8 different dimensions and the opportunities you have to invest in them here at Boise State.

Scan the QR code or go to boisiestate.edu/broncofit for wellness events, information and resources about the BroncoFit initiative.

**Emotional**
- Pay attention to how you talk to yourself (be at least as nice to yourself as you would be to your favorite people!)
- Check out BroncoFit (scan the QR code above)

**Environmental**
- Build or choose a study space(s) you love
- Put equal care into creating spaces/habits to support getting good rest

**Social**
- Explore clubs and orgs (pg 26-27)
- Consciously cultivate friendships with people you admire
- Say hello first!
- Engage in wellness events across campus

**Financial**
- Financial Wellness program (pg 20)
- Learn about Financial Aid (pg 20)

**Occupational**
- Being a student is an occupation! Talk to your professors (pg 10)
- Explore academic support (pg 12-13)
- Check out Bronco Learning Commons (pg 18)
- Visit Career Services: boisiestate.edu/career

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GETTING AROUND BOISE

No need to bring a car to campus! Navigating campus and downtown Boise is easy with our Boise State shuttles, a bike, long board, or electric scooter.

Boise State Shuttles and the City Bus
When it’s rainy, or you’re a little late to class, hop on a shuttle. Boise State’s shuttles take students through campus and even into downtown Boise. You can easily see where the nearest shuttle is using the Shuttle Tracker. As a Boise State student, you can get a free city bus pass as a sticker on your Bronco Card. This is a great option to get to the mall, the Boise airport, or other amenities throughout the Treasure Valley.

Scan the QR code or go to shuttle.boisestate.edu/routes for the live shuttle tracker map.
Scan the QR code or go to valleyregionaltransit.org for the city bus tracker map.

Cycle Learning Center
The Cycle Learning Center bike shop is the hub of cycling on campus, selling affordable bikes, parts, and accessories; repairs for everything from flat tires to suspension; and rentals from a day to a year. The CLC also offers bike maintenance classes, commuter ride skills education, and a free self-service workstation.

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/publicsafety-transportation/bicycle-program to learn more about the Cycle Learning Center, bike policies, and to access the campus bike map.

Parking Permits
If you do bring a car to campus, you’ll want to look into parking permits available to students. There are several to choose from, and they range in price depending on where you want to park.

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/publicsafety-transportation/permit-information for parking permit information and the parking map.
VETERAN SERVICES

If you have served or are serving in the U.S. military, we have services and opportunities for you. If you are using GI Bill benefits, we will facilitate payment for you from the VA. We refer students as applicable to:
- Veterans Upward Bound
- Veteran Student Support Services
- ROTC and Military Programs - all separate from Veteran Services

Office Location: Lincoln Parking Garage, 1607 University Drive
Phone number: (208) 426-3744
Email address: veteranservices@boisestate.edu

STUDENT CAREGIVER RESOURCES

If you're a student AND a caregiver, it takes extra effort to balance it all. Here are a few things to remember:

The Family Caregiver Navigator (FCN) is a pilot project of the Idaho Caregiver Alliance, a coalition of individuals and organizations that have been supporting caregivers since 2012.
Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/csa/family-caregiver-navigator-fcn to access the Idaho Family Caregiver Navigator resources.

The Dean of Students office can connect you to a number of campus and community resources - like financial support, the campus food pantry and free legal assistance - that can help you overcome the challenges of balancing school and caregiving responsibilities. Go to page 22 or boisestate.edu/studentoutreach to learn more.

Albertsons Library has a family study room for students who parent. The space is complete with computers, toys and books for children 12 and under.
Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.libcal.com/reserve/family/110 to reserve the family study space.

Health Services offers medical, counseling and wellness support for dependents of students, so lean on their services for doctor visits, health screenings, immunizations and mental health support. Go to page 21 or boisestate.edu/healthservices to learn more.

Boise State’s Children’s Center provides care for children aged six weeks through five years old. It’s fully accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). And as a student, your child will receive priority enrollment.
Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/childrenscenter to learn more.
We offer over 200 clubs, from academic clubs to interest groups that help you get involved, meet other students, have fun and pursue your passions. Boise State is also home to 23 different fraternity and sorority chapters, each guided by academic achievement, leadership development and service.

Additionally, we have several organizations or programs, like Alternative Breaks, Service Saturday and our LeaderShape Institute experience, that provide opportunities to lead and serve.

**SORORITIES:**
- Alpha Chi Omega
- Alpha Gamma Delta
- Alpha Omicron Pi
- Alpha Sigma Alpha
- Alpha Xi Delta
- Delta Delta Delta
- LambdaTheta Alpha
- Mu Phi
- Pi Lambda Chi
- Sigma Lambda Gamma
- Zeta Tau Alpha

**STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:**

**Academic**
- Biology Club
- Biomolecular Sciences Graduate Student Association
- Boise Association of Student Historians
- C’4 Club: Competitive Cybersecurity and Cyber-Physical Club
- Chemistry Club
- Competitive Programming Club
- Ecological Research Association
- Economics Association
- Environmental Club
- GeoScience Club
- Geosciences Graduate Organization
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- Language Exploration Club
- Linguistic Society
- Materials Science Club
- Mechanical Engineering Club
- Nuclear Energy Club
- Organization of Student Social Workers
- Phi Sigma Rho
- Philosophy Club
- Political Science Association
- Pre-Dental Club of Boise State University
- Pre-Law Society
- Pre-PA club
- Psi Chi Chapter
- Quiz Bowl Club
- Rocket Club
- Secondary Education Club
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics Chapter
- Student Association for Respiratory Care
- Student Association of Radiologic Technologists
- Student Athlete Advisory Committee
- Student Nurses’ Association
- Students’ Association of Anthropology and Archaeology
- Teacher Education Ambassadors
- Theatre Majors Association
- Timber-Strong
- Women in Business Association
- Women in Construction, Engineering and Development Club

**Art, Music, Dance**
- Art History Club
- Art Metals Club
- Boise Sculptors Guild

**FRATERNITIES:**
- Alpha Tau Omega
- Beta Theta Pi
- Delta Sigma Phi
- Delta Upsilon
- Kappa Sigma
- Phi Gamma Delta (FIJI)
- Phi Delta Theta
- Pi Kappa Alpha
- Sigma Chi
- Sigma Lambda Beta
- Sigma Phi Epsilon
- Tau Kappa Epsilon
Identity/Culture
- American Sign Language Club
- Bangladeshi Students Association
- Black Student Association
- CAMP Club
- Chinese Club
- Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Club
- French Club
- German Club
- Indian Student Association
- International Student Association
- Intertribal Native Council
- Iranian Student Association
- Japanese Club
- Korean Club
- Multilingual Student Alliance
- Muslim Student Association
- Nepalese Student Association
- Neurodivergent Student Society
- Organizacion de Estudiantes Latino-Americanos
- Pride Alliance
- Queer STEM Club
- Transgender Alliance
- TRIO Club

Honor Societies
- Alpha Kappa Psi
- Alpha Phi Sigma
- Beta Alpha Psi
- Beta Gamma Sigma
- Chi Epsilon
- Chi Sigma Iota
- Eta Sigma Gamma
- Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society
- Honors Student Association
- Kappa Kappa Psi - Iota Kappa
- Lambda Alpha Anthropology Society
- Lambda Alpha Epsilon
- Lambda Nu
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- Order of Omega
- Phi Alpha Honor Society of Social Work
- Pi Kappa Delta
- Sigma Lambda Chi
- Tau Beta Pi Engineering Society

Political
- College Republicans
- Students for Labor
- Young Americans for Liberty
- Young Democrats

Professional
- Advertising Club
- American Institute of Steel Construction Student Chapter
- American Society of Civil Engineers Student Chapter
- American Water Resources Association
- Association for Computing Machinery Women
- Athletic Training Student Association
- Business Professionals of America Chapter
- Construction Management Association
- Consulting Club
- Educational Leadership Student Association
- Environmental Engineering
- Financial Management Association
- Future Physicians Club
- Human Resources Association
- Idaho Music Teacher’s Association
- Kinesiology Club
- Masters of Business Administration Athletic Association
- Masters of Public Administration Association
- Options Trading Club
- Professional Selling Club
- SkillsUSA College/Postsecondary Division
- Society of Women Engineers

Recreational
- Alpine Club
- Backcountry Squatters
- Board and Card Game Club
- Chess Club
- Fishing Club
- Judo Club
- Kayak Club
- Pickleball Club at Boise State
- Roundnet Club
- Skate Club
- Ski and Board Club
- Unicycle Club

Religious/Spiritual
- Bronco Catholic Association
- Christ Worldwide
- Cru
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Foundation College Ministry
- Impact
- Intervarsity Christian Fellowship
- Jewish Student Union
- Latter Day Saint Student Association
- Ratio Christi Student Organization
- Reformed University Fellowship
- Resonate Student Organization
- Stonehill Young Adults Group
- Young Life Club

Service
- American Red Cross Club
- Boise Urban Community Club
- Camp Kesem
- Community Garden Club
- Dance Marathon
- Ridge to Rivers Club
- Trash Club

Special Interest
- Alternate History Club
- Amnesty International Chapter
- Anime Club
- Artificial Intelligence Club
- BAJA Racing Club
- Bee Team
- Bronco Officials club
- Bronco Tournament Gaming Club
- Casa Club
- CHAARG Club
- Civic Awareness and Participation Club
- Commuter Club
- Corral Student Organization
- Cozy Gaming Club
- Dungeons & Broncos Club
- Film and Television Club
- Jedi Academy Association
- Magic the Gathering Club
- Poker Club
- Scabbard and Blade Student Organization
- Student Association for Mental Health
- Students With Disabilities
- Taekwondo Club
- Veterans Student Association

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/getinvolved for the most up-to-date list of student organizations.
PREPARING FOR WHAT’S NEXT

You’re coming to college to prepare for life beyond Boise State. Own your Boise State experience to make your career goals a reality. Here are steps to take in your first year to keep your career plan on track.

WHERE ARE YOU NOW?:

I’m Feeling Lost.
This is your time to explore, learn about what you want, and get information about your options. Start by taking PathwayU, and make a Career Services appointment to interpret your results and get next steps.

I Have Ideas.
Look for experiences to test out your ideas. Use PathwayU to see how each of your options might fit you, then make a Career Services appointment. Find alumni on BroncoLink working in those careers to talk about their jobs.

I Have A Direction.
Confirm it with PathwayU. Make a Career Services appointment to start building your career preparation plan. Find alumni in your career field on BroncoLink to advise you on the types of experiences to seek out.

USE THESE CAREER TOOLS YOUR FIRST YEAR:

1. Pathway U
This career assessment will help you find a direction that fits who you are.

2. Career Services
Meet with Career Services right away to have a better college experience and easier time achieving your career goals.

3. BroncoLink
Find alumni and professionals who can answer your career questions and give you advice.

LOOKING FOR A JOB?:

An on-campus job is more than a paycheck - it’s preparation for your success Beyond Boise State. With so many different types of jobs available, find one that relates to your career goals, one that will let you explore an interest area, or one that will give you opportunities to develop transferable skills needed for your career.

FINDING A JOB:

Handshake
Search for on-campus jobs, off-campus jobs, internships, and career opportunities.

Part-Time Job Fair
On and off campus employers will be ready to meet you. Coming August 2023, during Welcome Week.

Career Services
Need help with your resumes, cover letters, or interviewing skills? Make an appointment.

HANDSHAKE INSTRUCTIONS:

The day after you register for classes at Orientation, a Handshake account will be created for you.

Log in to Your Account
• Get to Handshake from the Career Services website, or go directly to boisestate.joinhandshake.com
• Use the Boise State University Sign On button, then enter your Boise State username and password

Complete Your Profile
• Fill out your profile so you’re ready to apply to jobs - employers will see your profile when you apply
• Employers can also find your profile in a search and contact you about openings

Search and Apply for Jobs
• From the Jobs tab, use the “On-Campus” filter, or other filters to find jobs of interest
• Many jobs will have you apply through Handshake - just click the Apply button and add your documents

Career Services
Office Location: Boulder Hall, Room 111
Phone number: (208) 426-1747
Email: career@boisestate.edu

Scan the QR code or go to boisestate.edu/career to access career resources.
ACADEMIC TERMS

**Academic Advisor** – Faculty or staff assigned to help with academic planning.

**Syllabus** – An outline of the subjects in a course.

**Faculty** – Members of the academic staff comprising of teachers, lecturers, or professors.

**Staff** – Employees of the university.

**Alumni** – A graduate of the university.

**Office hours** – Time set aside by professors for students to visit their teachers to discuss the course.

**Convocation** – A ceremony that formally welcomes new students to the university and marks the start of their academic journeys.

**Commencement** – A graduation ceremony.

**Summa cum laude** – With the highest distinction.

**Quad** – The courtyard between the Administration Building and Albertsons Library.

**Intramural Field** – The large field behind the Student Union Building.

**Blue Book** – A book with about 20 lined pages that are sometimes required for students to use for exams. You can purchase them in the Bronco Shop.

**Teacher's Assistant** – Usually a graduate student assisting your professor; may or may not teach.

**Adjunct** – An instructor hired by the university on a part-time, contractual basis.

**Required advising hold** – A hold placed on your student account that prevents you from registering for classes until you have met with an academic advisor.

**Add/Drop period** – A time when you can change your class schedule without academic or financial consequences.

**Pre-requisites** – Courses that are required prior to registering for an upper level course.
ACRONYMS

Colleges/Departments
COBE – College of Business and Economics
COED – College of Education
COEN – College of Engineering
COHS – College of Health Sciences
COAS – College of Arts and Sciences
CID – College of Innovation + Design
SPS – School of Public Service
GIMM – Games, Interactive Media, & Mobile Technology
CLC – Cycle Learning Center
EAC – Educational Access Center
OIT – Office of Information Technology – Help Desk
GEC – Gender Equity Center
NSP – New Student Programs
ASBSU – Associated Students of Boise State University
( Student Government)
VIP – Vertical Integrated Projects

More Acronyms You Might Hear
RA – Resident Advisor
RD – Resident Director
CA – Community Advisor
OL – Orientation Leader
TA – Teaching Assistant
RAD – Required Advising Hold
ROTC – Reserve Officer Training Corps
FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid
FERPA – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
GRE – Graduate Record Examination
GPA – Grade Point Average
SAP – Satisfactory Academic Progress
EFC – Expected Family Contribution
ESL – English as a Second Language
ASL – American Sign Language
CV – Curriculum vitae (an academic resume)
MW – Mountain West
MLA – Modern Language Association
AP – Associated Press Stylebook
STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math
LLP – Living Learning Program
LA – Learning Assistants

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## BUILDING ABBREVIATIONS

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<td>Albertsons Library (1865 Cesar Chavez Ln)</td>
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<td>Bronco Gymnasium (1404 Bronco Circle)</td>
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<td>Boas Tennis and Soccer Complex (1507 S Oakland Ave)</td>
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**NEXT STEPS (POST-ORIENTATION)**

- Attend Bronco Welcome Events (includes Convocation, “B on the Blue”)
- Get your Bronco Card from the Information Desk in the Student Union Building (see page 12)
- Develop a habit of checking BroncoMail (your school email account)
- Make sure you know how your Financial Aid will work (see page 20)
- Understand how to pay for tuition and fees (see page 20)
- Start thinking about housing for next year (see page 11)
- Finalize your transportation and parking plan (if you’ll commute or have a car, see page 24)
- Mark move-in day on your calendar

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**NOTES**