



New Student Orientation Checklist

Welcome to Olivet College! We look forward to seeing you at one of our New Student Orientations this summer.

We want you to enjoy that day without stress and concerns, so here are some things you can do to prepare for that day!

_____ **1. Is your financial aid file complete and are all documents submitted?**

- Making sure your financial aid file is complete is critical to ensuring that all your financial aid disburses to your account. If you are unsure of the status of your financial aid, please call Student Services at 269.749.7645.

_____ **2. Have you given us permission to release information to your parents or legal guardians, should you want us to be able to do so?**

- Federal law prohibits us from releasing most student information to anyone other than the student.
- You may give us permission to release information regarding your academic, financial and student life information to your parents or legal guardians by signing the FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) Waiver Form found on the Important Documents tab of this webpage.

_____ **3. Are you interested in a student employment position?**

- Student employment positions will open online on August 1, 2017 at <http://www.olivetcollege.edu/undergraduate/student-life/student-services/career-services/>.
- Click on the position title to learn more about that particular job.
- Then click on the “apply” link to complete an application online.
- You will be contacted by the supervisor for that particular job posting if you are selected for an interview.

_____ 4. **Are you prepared for the payment due date for fall?**

- The payment due date for fall semester is July 28, 2017.
- A billing statement will be mailed to your home address in early July.
- Payment arrangements (payment in full, loan, or payment plan) must be in place by that date to avoid having courses dropped for non-payment.

_____ 5. **Do you need options for the remaining balance after financial aid?**

- ***Other Scholarships***

- Never stop searching for outside scholarships during your time in college. Here are a few places to look:
 - www.fastweb.com
 - www.scholarshipamerica.org
 - We also post any available scholarships to the Olivet student portal.

- ***Federal Parent PLUS Loans***

- The federal government offers loans to parents and stepparents. If approved, your parents or stepparents may borrow up the amount due plus books for the year.
- Go to www.studentloans.gov. Complete “Request a Direct PLUS Loan” and “Master Promissory Note (MPN).”

- ***Private Loans***

- Students may apply for a private loan through any bank or credit union offering a private education loan. Most students will be required to have a credit-worthy cosigner. For a list of current lenders students have used over the past four years, please go to www.olivetcollege.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid/private-loan-lenders.

- ***Payment Plans***

- Olivet College offers 3-, 4- and 5-month deferred payment plans each semester. A \$30 activation fee is required upon enrollment each semester. Please visit <http://www.olivetcollege.edu/payment-plan-options> for more information.