

ENROLL AND PREPARE TO BE A GOLDEN GOPHER



As your student finishes high school and prepares to begin their *freshman* year at the *U of M*, we want you to know the following information before we welcome your student to campus.

Confirm enrollment



Once a student has been admitted to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities there are many ways we welcome them to the *Golden Gopher* community! But first, they must confirm their enrollment by paying a non-refundable \$280 *confirmation fee*. This action lets us know that they will be attending. This payment can be paid online at z.umn.edu/confirm.

The deadline to submit this confirmation fee is May 1. If a student does not confirm their enrollment, their admission may be *rescinded*.

Submit final documents



Students must submit a final high school transcript to confirm they have completed their senior year and graduated. Students must have their high school submit their transcript to the U of M by July 1.

If your student chose to have a self-reported ACT or SAT score reviewed as part of their application, their official test scores must be submitted by July 1. **Please note:** the University of Minnesota Twin Cities will not require an ACT or SAT score for 2021 applicants.

It is U of M policy that students must graduate high school or pass the GED before they are eligible to enroll in university-level classes. High school transcripts help validate that students meet this requirement. In addition, final transcripts are used to verify grades listed on student's *self-reported academic record*. If a student has incorrectly reported their grades, or does not submit these documents, their admission may be rescinded.

Attend summer orientation



At the U of M, *orientation* is an event for students to help ease the transition to *college life*. During this required event, students will meet with their *advisor*, register for classes, stay overnight in the residence halls, and meet other incoming freshmen. After confirming their enrollment, your student will receive information on selecting an orientation date.

Please note: In-person orientation was shifted to an online format due to COVID-19 safety measures for fall 2020. The University of Minnesota will monitor the situation and communicate a plan when available.

Check communications and stay connected



Important information on orientation, housing and financial aid will be sent by other U of M offices. While the Office of Admissions can help answer questions on these topics, once a student has submitted their confirmation fee other offices on campus will begin sending students information, tasks to complete, and deadlines. We encourage families to remind their students to check their email often!

Ask questions



We encourage families and students to ask questions as they prepare for their freshman year. If you have any questions, please contact the U of M Office of Admissions by phone at 612-625-2008 or 1-800-752-1000, or reach out to one of our *admissions counselors* at z.umn.edu/counselor. We are happy to answer your questions about what to expect as a Golden Gopher!

KEY TERMS

ENGLISH TERM	DEFINITION
Admissions Counselor	Staff member of a college who supports students during their college search journey
Advisor	A university staff member that helps students choose coursework and progress toward graduation
College Life	Experiences and opportunities students will have as a student
Confirmation Fee	A payment a student makes to confirm their enrollment
Freshman	A student in their first year of college
Golden Gopher	A nickname for University of Minnesota Twin Cities students, named after the school mascot, Goldy Gopher
Orientation	A mandatory summer program that introduces students to the resources and opportunities on campus
Rescind	A choice a college makes to cancel a student's admission
Self-Reported Academic Record	The U of M requires students to report their test scores and high school grades on their application - which means they do not need to provide official documents until after they have been admitted. Please note: ACT/SAT test scores are not required for the 2021 application.
U of M	Shortened name for the University of Minnesota Twin Cities