Plan Ahead for a New Semester

**Review your registration**
Check your class schedule and finish making changes to it. Review any financial aid you plan to use and pay your bill or make payment arrangements. lionpath.psu.edu

**Make sure your personal information is up-to-date**
Review your information and make any necessary updates. accounts.psu.edu

**Check your Penn State email**
All Penn State communications will be sent to your Penn State email account, which you can check using Outlook in Office 365. office.psu.edu

**Keep two-factor authentication (2FA) settings current**
Keeping your 2FA information up-to-date ensures you can access Penn State resources quickly. You should also have at least one backup device connected to your account, in addition to your primary device(s). To add or remove devices or get help with 2FA issues, log in to your Penn State account. accounts.psu.edu

**Make sure your computer meets technical requirements**
Our technical requirements explain what is needed for the computer you plan to use for your classes. worldcampus.psu.edu/general-technical-requirements

**Purchase the required materials for your classes**
Check your course details in LionPATH to learn what materials you’ll need. You can rent or purchase course materials, and you may be able to access e-books from the Penn State University Libraries.

**Note your course deadlines and academic calendar dates**
The University’s academic calendar includes important dates and deadlines for the semester for most classes, and you can check drop deadlines for your specific courses in LionPATH. student.worldcampus.psu.edu/your-courses-how-to-guide/academic-calendar

**Review considerations to be aware of if you drop a course**
Make sure you understand course drop deadlines, as well as the financial impact of dropping a course. student.worldcampus.psu.edu/courses/dropping-a-course

**Plan for proctored exams, if your courses include any**
Penn State World Campus courses with proctored exams typically use Honorlock, an online exam proctor service. Check your syllabi to find out if you have any proctored exams, and learn how Honorlock is used.

**Learn about student services and resources**
World Campus offers academic advising, career services, tutoring, disability accommodations, and library services. student.worldcampus.psu.edu/student-services

**On the first day of class, log in to your classes in Canvas**
You will be able to access your classes online after 10:00 a.m. (ET) on the first day of class. canvas.psu.edu