

# SUCCESS CHECKLIST

## ACADEMICS:

- Compare prices for textbook purchase or rental using online textbook retailers, [NAU Bookstore](#), etc.
- Plan how to get to classes by looking at the campus map. You can walk, bike, drive, or take the free university shuttle and [Mountain Line](#) bus.
- Plan a weekly schedule listing class times, study and exercise or hobby time, work hours, etc.
- Read the class syllabus for each course and write due dates for assignments, quizzes, and exams in a planner or on a wall calendar.
- Make time to study—plan to devote at least two hours of studying per credit hour.
- If you are having difficulty with classes, seek assistance from your instructor, your college advising office, the [Academic Success Centers](#) (tutoring, SI), the [Gateway Student Success Center](#), and/or Office of Indigenous Student Success.

## FINANCIAL AID:

- Check NAU email in-box for messages from the [Office of Scholarship & Financial Aid](#) (OSFA)
- Complete the [FAFSA](#) – a free application for federal student aid
- Check on [Satisfactory Academic Progress](#) (SAP) status with the OSFA
- For Native American students, check with tribal scholarship office regarding:
  - Application and documents have been received by deadline date
  - Current and/or future class schedule includes 12 units of new courses (full-time) or 6-11 units (part-time) and repeat class(es) will be in addition to the new units or credit hours
  - Semester GPA must be at or above 2.0 (in most cases and varies per tribal office)
  - Submit an official NAU transcript to tribal scholarship offices by their deadline date (varies)
- Log into your LOUIE account and check to make sure your fee(s) are paid
- Remember that financial aid refunds are for educational expenses for each term. Budgeting these funds for necessary purchases rather than on non-essential items (wants) is important.
- Arizona tribal members who live out-of-state may qualify for in-state tuition – learn more [here](#).

## HOUSING/PARKING:

- Confirm housing plans for each new academic year and/or summer with the Housing & Residence Life office and check with their office on [who is eligible](#) to reside in a residence hall.
- If residing off-campus, refer to the [Off-Campus](#) resources.
- Students with a vehicle should purchase a parking permit from [Parking Services](#).
  - Check on NAU Shuttle Route updates at this site.

## EMPLOYMENT:

- If you are seeking part-time employment, utilize the [HandShake](#) feature to find jobs, etc.
- Update or create a resume and letter of interest, and gather letters of recommendation
- Make an appointment with the [NAU Career Services](#) office to learn more about how to create these documents and more.

## SOCIAL/CULTURAL:

- Be part of or attend social and cultural activities at the [Native American Cultural Center](#) (NACC).
- Like the [OISS](#) and [NACC](#) Facebook pages to learn about upcoming events, job/scholarship announcements, etc.

For additional assistance, contact [Office of Indigenous Student Success](#), (928) 523-8086, [issnatives@nau.edu](mailto:issnatives@nau.edu)