



THANK YOU FOR SIGNING UP FOR KICKSTART!

What you can expect to do at Kickstart:

- Schedule classes (see advising packet)
- Register your vehicle
- Take your student ID picture
- Make sure your financial aid is in order
- Establish a payment plan if needed

FINANCIAL AID & BUSINESS OFFICE

During your Financial Aid Office visit, you will:

- Review your financial aid package
- Discuss any outstanding documentation, such as verification paperwork, master promissory note and entrance counseling
- Talk about any outside scholarships that you may be receiving
- Get answers to any questions you may have

During your Business Office visit, you will:

- See your bill for the semester
- Establish a payment plan if necessary

QUICK REFERENCE LIST

ADMISSIONS
304.865.6200

ATHLETICS
304.865.6049

BUSINESS OFFICE
304.865.6078

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE
304.865.6077

REGISTRAR
304.865.6034

SECURITY
304.865.6258

STUDENT LIFE
304.865.6085

STUDENT SUCCESS
304.865.6077



WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT CLASS REGISTRATION

At Kickstart, you will be registering for your first semester of courses as an OVU student. One of the great things about college is that you have a say in many of the classes you take. However, this means that you should understand a few things about the process. Here are some things that we thought you might like to know before you sit across the table from an academic advisor at Kickstart.

- In college, you will declare a major. This is the subject area that you wish to study. OVU offers nearly three dozen majors.
- If you have decided on a major (even if your major is “undecided”), be sure to tell your recruiter so that you are assigned to the correct academic advisor.
- Many students change their major during college, and if you change the major during your first few semesters, it usually will not delay your graduation.
- During your first year, most (or all) of your courses will be General Education courses, not courses specific to your major. These courses will help lay the groundwork to prepare you for courses in your major. General education courses include such things as English, oral communications, math, science, history, and the fine arts.
- OVU requires that each student take a Bible course each semester of enrollment. Most students enroll either in BIB 105: Introduction to the Bible or BIB 106: Life of Christ during their first semester.
- Courses are all assigned a certain number of “credit hours.” Most courses are 3 credit hours, though some have more or fewer credit hours. The number of credit hours a course is determines how much time you spend in the classroom throughout the week (and how much time you will spend studying for a course). So, a 4-credit hour course will require much more time in and out of the classroom than a 1-credit hour course will.
- Courses are given a code that consists of letters and numbers. For example, Introduction to Business has a code of BUS 121. BUS means that it is a business course, and 121 indicates that it is 100-level course. Generally speaking, you will be taking 100- and 200-level courses during your first few semesters at OVU.
- Many courses have one or more prerequisites—a course or courses you need to take first. For example, a prerequisite for ENG 132: College Writing II is ENG 131: College Writing I.
- Most students take 14 to 17 credit hours each semester. This means they usually have five or six five courses and spend 14 to 17 hours a week in class. 12 credit hours are required to be a full time student.
- You will need to earn 120 credit hours to receive a bachelor’s degree; to graduate after eight semesters, you need to average 15 credit hours per semester.