June 26-27, 2023
First-Year Virtual Orientation Schedule

Sign in to your UIS Zoom account.
If you already have a Zoom account see the Zoom article on Account Consolidation. These sessions are best accessed through the desktop/laptop application. You can use your smartphone, but some functionality in the program will be lost. Read more about feedback settings on Android and IOS if you do not have access to a computer. Go to http://uis.zoom.us and click on Sign In. You will use your “NetID” and “password” to login.

You will receive an email with the Zoom links on Sunday, June 25, in the afternoon.

Monday, June 26
9 – 9:45 a.m.  Orientation Help Desk (optional)
Director of NSOPR Lisa McGuire will answer your with questions about this Virtual Orientation. This is optional, if you do not have questions, you do not have to login

Students & Families
10 – 11 a.m.  Prairie Star Welcome!
Welcome & Introduction
   Schedule Overview
   Academic Expectations at UIS: An Overview
   University Bursar
   Making Financial Aid Work for Student Success

Student Track
11:15 – 11:45 a.m.  Orientation Group Meeting
Students will meet with their orientation leaders and classmates, learn more about UIS, and have an opportunity to ask questions.

11:45 a.m.– 1 p.m.  Lunch Break
Take a break, but keep an eye on the time for our next session at 1 p.m. CT

1 – 1:25 p.m.  UIS Technology
Assistant Director of Client Services Information Technology Kara McElwrath will show students three important applications they will use while at UIS. Webmail, Canvas, and Zoom.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  Freshmen Rising Stars:
In this session, students are introduced to general education requirements, how the Math sequence works, Institutional/UIS GPA, the Academic Success plan.
   • Difference between Gen Ed/Major Requirements
   • Math Sequence
   • Institutional/UIS GPA
   • Academic Success plan
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  **CAP Honors Rising Stars**

- Welcome & Introductions
- Overview of Curriculum
- UIS Technology (NetID, Webmail, Canvas, Zoom), HSB Computer Lab
- Academic Integrity signing the Honor Code
- CAP 102 Materials & SU Assignment
- Student Support/Mentoring
- Advising Information/Academic Success Plans

4 - 4:30 p.m.  **First-year Check-in**

*As we close day 1, this is an opportunity to get clarification on tasks and have questions answered.*

**Parent Track**

5:30 – 6:05 p.m.  **What Faculty Members Want Parents to Know.**

*Our Faculty members will share their experiences teaching first-year students and what it takes for students to be successful and meet the expectations held by university faculty members.*

6:15 – 7 p.m.  **The Keys to Academic Success.**

*Faculty members will discuss how to encourage academic growth in your student as well as focus on valuable practices that lead to student success. These will be important tools as your student transitions to the different demands of college courses. This will also be helpful for you to know to help your student to overcome common academic setbacks.*

**Tuesday, June 27**

**Student Track**

10:30 - 11 a.m.  **Registering for Classes at UIS - Tips from the Records & Registration Office**

*The Assistant Registrar Evan Stanley will take you through the registration policies and steps to register for classes and answer any questions you have.*

11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Advising Appointments, Placement Testing as needed

12:30 – 4 p.m. Course Registration Helpdesk

*Assistant Registrar Evan Stanley will be available on-call through [his Zoom room](#) to answer any questions you are having about course registration. When you enter his Zoom room you may be in the waiting room to start to maintain confidentiality.*

4 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  **First Year Check In**

*As we wrap up your virtual orientation, this is a check-in to see how things went and to answer any remaining questions and talk about next steps.*