Here's your new-student checklist to help you get ready for life as a USD Coyote.

**TUITION & FINANCIAL AID:**
- Understand your costs by reviewing tuition and fees at [usd.edu/admissions/tuition-and-fees](http://usd.edu/admissions/tuition-and-fees).
- USD suggests completing your FAFSA by April 1. List USD's code of 003474 on your FAFSA. [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov)
  
  Your 2018 income (and or your parents/legal guardian income) will be used in determining your financial aid eligibility for the 2020-2021 year.

  Students and parents are encouraged to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) within the FAFSA. This tool imports your income directly from the IRS and reduces the chances your information will need to be verified later by the college.

- View your Financial Aid Self-Service.

  Financial aid awards are typically released by mid-April. When your financial aid has been awarded, you will receive an email directing you to access your award via Financial Aid Self-Service. Review all information with your award letter before accepting your financial aid package. Please call the Office of Financial Aid at 605-658-6250 with any questions.

**THE NUTS AND BOLTS:**
- Submit your $100 university housing deposit to reserve your spot at USD. [apps.usd.edu/administrative/deposits](http://apps.usd.edu/administrative/deposits)
- Set up your USD account. [apps.usd.edu/accounts/pickup](http://apps.usd.edu/accounts/pickup)
- Install Duo Security on your USD account. [usd.edu/duo](http://usd.edu/duo)
- Fill out and submit your online housing application or housing exemption request to live off campus. (The housing application opens in October 29, 2019)

  ALL students must complete either the housing application or housing exemption form prior to enrolling in classes. As soon as you complete the housing application, submit a short biography in the housing portal and begin looking for a potential roommate.

- Send your immunization records to USD. (Fax to 605-312-9017 or mail to USD Student Health, 20 S. Plum, Vermillion, SD 57069)

**REGISTRATION:**
- Complete your registration survey at [usdfysurvey.questionpro.com](http://usdfysurvey.questionpro.com)

- Select a registration option. (Check the email used on your application for instructions and options.)

- Placement tests may be required. You may schedule a test at another Board of Regents institution or national testing site. We encourage testing prior to registration.

- Register for classes.

- View class schedule in Registration Self-Service.

- Send the Office of Admissions your final official high school transcript after you graduate. (Required)

- Send official AP exam scores to USD.

- Send the Office of Admissions your final official college transcripts to receive any dual enrollment credit.

**IT'S GETTING REAL:**
- Starting in March, you can self-select your room. Access to room selection will be prioritized by when the housing contract was signed. After April 17, University Housing will assign rooms to any remaining students.

- Buy or rent your textbooks online. [usd.edu/textbooks](http://usd.edu/textbooks)

- Purchase your parking pass. [link.usd.edu/parkingpermit](http://link.usd.edu/parkingpermit)

- Beginning August 1, your bill will be available online at your SDePay account. All statements are sent electronically and you will not receive a paper copy of your bill. Access SDePay in the Student tab of your Financial Aid Self-Service.

**LET THE FUN BEGIN:**
- Move-In Day is August 14, 15 and 16, 2020. For move-in information, visit [usd.edu/welcomeweek](http://usd.edu/welcomeweek) or call 605-677-5666. We'll see you in August.

To access the links in these steps, go to [usd.edu/NewStudentChecklist](http://usd.edu/NewStudentChecklist).