

Your Fall 2026 Freshman Welcome Guide



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THE MUSTANGS**



GET READY TO RUN WITH THE MUSTANGS »

Congratulations on your acceptance to Stevenson!
Wondering where to begin to officially become a
Mustang? We're here to help.

This Fall 2026 Welcome Guide has all the important information, deadlines, and answers to help guide you through the enrollment process.

At Stevenson, we're committed to providing resources to set you up for success, even at this stage in the process. Contact your admissions counselor via phone, email, or by setting up an one-on-one counselor call to discuss questions or concerns as they arise to ensure you have the support and answers you need. You can find your counselor's information on your acceptance letter, or connect today at stevenson.edu/meetcounselor.

Additionally, we encourage you to come celebrate your acceptance with us at an Accepted Students' Day in the spring. Chat with our student clubs and organizations, meet faculty members and see classroom spaces specific to your major of interest, win free Stevenson merchandise, meet our mascot, Wild Stang, and of course, enjoy lunch in our dining hall! Be sure to RSVP at stevenson.edu/celebration.



KEY STEPS TO ENROLLING »

1. Applying for Scholarships and Financial Aid

Stevenson encourages all students to file for FAFSA in order to be considered for need-based financial aid. The FAFSA will be available in October 2025. March 1 is Stevenson's priority deadline to submit the FAFSA for maximum consideration for funding from all sources.

1. Create a Federal Student Aid Identification Number (FSA ID) at fsaid.ed.gov as soon as possible. The FSA ID acts as your electronic signature and allows access to information in various Federal Student Aid database systems. A parent should also create a FSA ID if you are a dependent student.
2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fsaid.ed.gov. Be sure to use Stevenson's federal school code, **002107**.

Questions should be directed to the Financial Aid Office at 443-334-3200 or toll-free at 1-877-468-6852. You can also schedule a one-on-one call with a financial aid counselor at stevenson.edu/fabookings.

Alongside your acceptance letter, you should have received a letter detailing estimated awards for the scholarships and grants you are eligible for. Learn more about additional scholarship opportunities at stevenson.edu/scholarships.



2. Reserving Your Spot as a Mustang

To reserve your place in the incoming class, please submit the following as soon as possible, but no later than **May 1, 2026**.

- Enrollment Intent Form, found online at stevenson.edu/letusknow (be sure to indicate your housing status)
- \$300 Enrollment Deposit (applies to your fall tuition bill)

Notes regarding the Enrollment Deposit:

- » The enrollment deposit is \$300 for all students, and is non-refundable as of **May 1, 2026**. The deposit applies toward your fall tuition bill. Funds from financial aid may not be applied to the deposit; financial aid funds are not available until after the semester begins.
- » Payment can be made by credit card on our secure site.
- » Questions regarding payment of the enrollment deposit should be directed to your admissions counselor. Your admissions counselor is the person who signed your acceptance letter.

• **Housing:** Our nationally recognized housing is in limited supply, especially single suites, and cannot be guaranteed. Students who wish to live on campus should indicate so on the Enrollment Intent Form. There is no separate housing deposit for new students. Housing status indicated on the Enrollment Intent form does not guarantee on-campus housing. Students should complete the First-Year Residential Profile **as soon as it is available** in May and submit prompt bill payment for best consideration. The deadline for the First-Year Residential Profile is **July 1, 2026**. The fall bill is due **July 17, 2026**.

- You must complete the Student Health Profile and submit immunization records by **June 1, 2026**.
- You must submit a final high school transcript by **July 15, 2026**. If you have taken college courses, or AP/IB courses, remember to submit the official score reports or transcripts for those as well.

Students choosing not to enroll at Stevenson should also visit stevenson.edu/letusknow and complete the Accepted Student Withdrawal Form.

3. Registering for Fall Classes

To register for your classes and start planning your fall semester at Stevenson, the Center for Student Success has designed the New Mustang Experience for you and your family. During the summer, you'll receive information about Summer Orientation, where you'll meet your Student Success Coach, put together your fall schedule, meet your future classmates, learn about on-campus resources, and engage in fun activities planned for you and your family.

4. Paying Your Fall 2026 Bill

Check your mail in June for your fall 2026 tuition, housing, and meal plan bills. Questions regarding bill payments should be directed to the Stevenson Student Accounts Office locally at 443-334-3500 or toll-free at 1-877-468-6852. Information about student bills and payment options is also available at stevenson.edu/student-accounts.

Flexible payment options such as the Nelnet plan allows you to make payments to the university in manageable, monthly installments. Visit mycollegepaymentplan.com/stevenson/ or call 800-609-8056 to learn more.

Other Helpful Links:

stevenson.edu/accepted

Find steps to enroll, AP/IB credit information, placement testing information, and more.

stevenson.edu/letusknow

Submit your enrollment deposit, reserve housing, or submit your application withdrawal form.

stevenson.edu/scholarships

Apply for specialty scholarships and our full-tuition scholarship, find information on merit scholarships, see application deadlines, and more.



PARENTS & FAMILIES »

To ensure we have your up-to-date contact information for communicating with you about important deadlines, information guides, and more, visit stevenson.edu/parents and fill out the “Tell Us About You!” form on the righthand side.

During freshman move-in, Stevenson holds a Convocation ceremony that marks the beginning of the academic year and symbolizes the start of the SU experience for all our new students.

Don't miss out on our upcoming Homecoming and Family Weekend! Every October, students, alumni, friends, families, faculty, and staff in the Stevenson community come together for a spirited weekend of fun and fare. From our Dick Watts Hall of Fame Banquet to our Homecoming Tailgate and Football game, mark your calendars for October 2026 to be part of the Mustang Pride!

Keep an eye out for updated information on Homecoming & Family Weekend at stevenson.edu/homecoming.

Here are some of our Frequently Asked Questions, so no concern goes unaddressed. »

Who is my admissions counselor?

Your admissions counselor is your point of contact at Stevenson. They are here to help you through this process. Your admissions counselor is listed in your acceptance letter. You can also find your assigned admissions counselor and schedule an individual call at stevenson.edu/meetcounselor or by scanning the QR code on the back of this guide.

When will I find out if I have been awarded an SU scholarship?

All newly admitted freshman applicants are automatically considered for a merit-based scholarship. Qualifying students are notified in this packet. Details regarding specialty scholarships are outlined at stevenson.edu/scholarships. Questions regarding scholarships should be directed to your admissions counselor.

How can I change my major from what is referenced in my acceptance letter?

Before registering for classes you can contact your admissions counselor to discuss changing your major. Requests to change majors will be automatically granted except in the case of Biomedical Engineering or Nursing. The admissions committee must re-review your application to determine if you are eligible for Biomedical Engineering or Nursing. After registering for fall classes, you'll need to speak with the Center for Student Success to change majors.

Does SU award credit for AP/IB tests?

Yes. Incoming freshmen who submit AP test scores from the College Board are considered for AP credit. SU also grants credit for IB exams. Please be sure to submit an official score report as soon as it becomes available in order to be awarded credit. A chart with our full AP/IB credit policy is linked at stevenson.edu/accepted.

Does SU award transfer credit for community college coursework?

You can often receive credit for courses taken at a community college while you were in high school. You must have received a “C” or better in a major program course and a “D” or better in general education to be considered for transfer credit. To have your courses evaluated for transfer credit, send your official transcript(s) to the SU Registrar's Office. If you were enrolled at a Maryland community college, you can visit artsys.usmd.edu for course transferability to SU. College coursework listed on your high school transcript is not evaluated for credit.

What is Self-Service?

Self-Service is a platform for Stevenson students that you will soon have access to. Through

Self-Service, you are able to view financial aid and other information (when available). Keep an eye on your email for instructions from the Technology Support Center on accessing Self-Service.

How do I register for classes?

Incoming students work with the Center for Student Success for course registration. As part of SU's New Mustang Experience, our Summer Orientations take place throughout the summer. Spots are limited on each day and you are encouraged to select a date as soon as the RSVPs become available in early May.

Do I need to take a placement assessment?

Stevenson University requires an ALEKS Placement, Preparation, and Learning (ALEKS PPL) Assessment, a web-based program, to determine readiness for mathematics courses. The placement test is up to 30 questions and generally takes 60-90 minutes to complete. Students are able to take the placement test up to 5 times.

Who should I talk to about accessibility and disability services?

The Office of Accessibility and Disability Services (ADS) facilitates equal access for students who identify as having a disability and who register with ADS. Newly admitted students with disabilities who require accommodations should contact ADS as early as possible to initiate the eligibility process.

To request accommodations, students should register with ADS by using the form located at stevenson.edu/academics/student-success under the “Accessibility and Disability Services” tab, or contact ADS directly (ads@stevenson.edu) to begin the registration process.

Additionally, students must submit documentation that meets the University's Documentation Guidelines and supports their requested accommodation(s). Documentation Guidelines can be found on the ADS Portal page.

ADS staff will notify students of the results of their request(s) and any next steps typically within two business weeks of submitting all required information.

How do I reserve on-campus housing?

All new, incoming students interested in on-campus housing must indicate their intent to live on-campus on the Enrollment Intent Form. There is no separate deposit for housing. Deposited students will receive more information about the housing application, completed online through eRezLife, in late May. All students interested in living on-campus must complete the First-Year Residential Profile by July 1.

Can I request a roommate?

Yes. You must complete a roommate request or one will be randomly assigned to you. Please note that

both the preferred bedroom type and roommate requests are requests and not guaranteed. Instructions on submitting roommate requests will be available in late May. For more information, visit stevenson.edu/housing.

Do I need to submit health records to enroll?

Yes. Stevenson's Student Health Form must be completed by all new, full-time and part-time students. The profile is completed online through the Wellness Center Secure Patient Portal. Once students receive their Stevenson email account and Single Sign-On (one login and password for a variety of Stevenson services), they will have access to this portal. Students will need to complete the Student Health Form and upload their vaccine records. Vaccine records can be obtained from your high school or healthcare provider's office. The deadline for the Student Health Profile is **June 1** for fall entrance.

All students who take classes on campus are required to be immunized against MMR (mumps, measles, and rubella) according to the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). If immunization records are not available, students will be asked to show proof of immunity through titers (blood work) results.

All students planning to live on campus at SU are required to be vaccinated according to the CDC recommendations against Meningitis ACWY (MCV4). A separate vaccination against Meningitis B is recommended but not required at this time.

Failure to submit a completed Student Health Form and upload the proof of vaccination by the designated deadline will block you from moving onto campus and/or starting classes. Stevenson University cannot be responsible for costs not covered by insurance associated with completion of the health requirements.

IMPORTANT: Students required to turn in health related information to Athletics or the Berman School of Nursing and Health Professions still **MUST** complete health requirements separate from those additional requirements. The information that is submitted to these other offices is **NOT** shared with the Wellness Center.

Do I need to send a final high school transcript?

A final high school transcript confirming you have graduated is a requirement to enroll and is due to the Admissions Office by July 15, 2026.

When is the first day of classes for the fall semester?

August 24, 2026

Clubs & Honors Societies

80+



Greek Life Programs

7



Music & Band Programs

7



STUDENT LIFE »

As a Mustang, our campus is your playground. With a vibrant cultural and social life, you'll experience college life as a whole: open mic nights, world-renowned artists and speakers, sports, year-round activities, service opportunities, and much more. Preview on-campus clubs, organizations, and programs at Accepted Students' Day and at Involvement Week during your first week of classes. See more of what student life at Stevenson looks like by visiting stevenson.edu/studentlife.

Each year, students can look forward to popular annual events, such as our Wet and Wild Field Day, the Involvement Fair, the Homecoming Bonfire, the fireworks show, the Winter Formal, PaintU Party, the Food Truck Rally, the New York City trip, the Field of Screams trip, Stevenson's Got Talent, Haunted Hallways, goat yoga, Midnight Breakfast, and so much more.



THE CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

The Center for Student Success (CSS) provides an array of services and resources that enable students to optimize their academic potential, persist in their studies, and complete their degrees. Conveniently located in the Garrison Student Union, CSS is home to the Student Success Coaches, academic tutoring, and other professional support staff to help make your academic transition from high school to college as smooth as possible. Find out more about what the CSS can do for you by visiting stevenson.edu/studentsuccess.

STUDENT SUCCESS COACHING

Success Coaches help you transition to college life at Stevenson University. They'll meet regularly with you in a friendly, supportive environment, and develop an individualized plan for your academic, professional, and personal success. Your Success Coach is your academic advisor in your first year and will educate you about university resources. They serve as a compass to help you navigate your first year in college, meeting with you multiple times throughout the year.



THE NEW MUSTANG EXPERIENCE »

Our mission is to help all new SU students become acclimated to their new community and accomplish their academic and personal goals. As a new student at Stevenson University, you'll take part in The New Mustang Experience – an intentional, programmatic effort designed to help you make a smooth transition to the Stevenson community. During this time, you'll get the opportunity to meet new students, get to know your faculty and academic support resources, and learn more about being a Mustang.

Summer Orientation

Your Summer Orientation is designed to be your orientation to Stevenson University—it is the first step in your Stevenson first-year experience. You will leave with your class schedule for the upcoming semester, your SUOne card (your Stevenson student ID), new friends, knowledge about campus resources and services, and most important, all of your questions answered. Family members and guests are welcome and encouraged to attend, as there is a full complement of guest programming for the day, including sessions from Student Accounts, Financial Aid, Student Success, Student Affairs, and more.

Welcome Week & Student Life Orientation

Kicking off with New Student Move-In and Convocation, Welcome Week and Student Life Orientation aims to help new students get connected with each other and to the University through small group discussions, fun social events, and memorable educational sessions. These programs help students get acclimated to SU's campus life and resources before classes begin in order to assist with a successful first year.

First Year Seminar

Continuing your transition to SU throughout your first semester, all new students will take a 1-credit first year seminar course. First Year Seminar (FYS) is designed to introduce you to Stevenson University and help with your transition to your campus community. The course is designed to be major-specific, taught by faculty from your academic department, while also introducing you to university values, transitional skills, and campus resources.



Best Dorms in Maryland (Niche)

As a Mustang, you can look forward to fully furnished first-year suites and carpeted bedrooms, a private bathroom, provided mini fridge and microwave, individual closet space, adjustable cooling and heating, wired high-speed internet as well as wireless internet access, free laundry, and even free parking on campus starting your freshman year.

Our nationally recognized housing is limited. Reserve yours for the Fall 2026 semester by submitting your Enrollment Intent Form with your \$300 deposit by May 1 at stevenson.edu/letusknow.

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stevenson.edu/letusknow



Questions?

Meet your admissions counselor by scanning the QR code below and selecting your territory, or find their information on your acceptance letter.

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Garrison Student Union North, 2nd Floor
South Campus
PHONE: 410-486-7001
TOLL FREE: 1-877-468-6852
FAX: 443-352-4440
admissions@stevenson.edu

ATHLETICS

Caves Sports & Wellness Center
South Campus
443-352-4251
athletics@stevenson.edu

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

Garrison Student Union North, 2nd Floor
South Campus
443-334-3200
financial-aid@stevenson.edu

RESIDENCE LIFE OFFICE

Ratcliffe Community Center
South Campus
443-334-2588
FAX: 443-352-4201
reslifereception@stevenson.edu

STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Garrison Student Union North, 2nd Floor
South Campus
443-334-3500
studentaccounts@stevenson.edu

TECH SUPPORT CENTER

(Self-Service questions)
443-334-3000
techconnection@stevenson.edu

WELLNESS CENTER

Caves Sports & Wellness Center
South Campus
443-352-4200
wellness@stevenson.edu

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