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## New Student Orientation (NSO) & Enrollment Checklist:

### Step 1: Have TSI Scores or Exemptions on File.

Prior to registering for orientation, students will need to have met all Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirements, and have documentation on file with the Office of Recruitment and Admissions. Visit [testing.tamucc.edu](http://testing.tamucc.edu) and click on "TSI Assessment" to determine if you meet TSI exemptions, and where you can take the exam if you are not exempt. You can also call the Office of Recruitment and Admissions at 361.825.7024 to inquire about your TSI status, or you can view your TSI status on your SAIL account.

### Step 2: Activate Campus Technology Accounts.

See the **Campus Technology** handout for instructions on how to activate your Island ID, Islander Email account, etc.

### Step 3: Register for New Student Orientation.

Register online at [orientation.tamucc.edu](http://orientation.tamucc.edu). In order to register, you must use your Island ID. Visit [newuser.tamucc.edu](http://newuser.tamucc.edu) to access your Island ID and to create your password. Note: Your Island ID is also used to apply for university housing, accessing your Islander E-mail account and other campus systems.

### Step 4: Submit Proof of Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine.

Prior to registering for classes at NSO, state law requires all new students, under the age of 22, to provide certified proof that they have received a valid bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster within the last five years. Students will not be able to register for courses at NSO without this information on file. IF you HAVE NOT already done so, please send your bacterial meningitis documentation/shot record to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions by fax (361.825.5887) or email ([admiss@tamucc.edu](mailto:admiss@tamucc.edu)) as soon as possible.

### Step 5: Submit Final High School and College Transcripts.

We encourage all incoming students to submit official, final high school and college transcripts to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions before they attend NSO.

### Step 6: Change your Major (optional).

During NSO, you will have a scheduled appointment to meet with an academic advisor or faculty member during day two of orientation. Your advisor will help you choose your courses for your intended major. However it's important that you explore the many degrees that TAMU-CC has to offer and select a major that you are very interested in. If you'd like to change your major, you will need to complete a Change of Major Form, available online at [admissions.tamucc.edu](http://admissions.tamucc.edu), click Admissions Forms.

NOTE: The Change of Major Form will need to be submitted one week prior to attending your NSO session.  
\*\*PSA students must stay undeclared while at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi.

### Step 7: Complete the FAFSA (Optional).

See the **Steps to Apply and Accept Financial Aid** handout for details regarding the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

**NSO IS TWO FULL DAYS. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**