

# Non-Traditional, Transfer & Commuter Students

## YOUR GUIDE TO GETTING STARTED AT CLAYTON STATE

Transferring, commuting, or starting college later in life, this guide will help you hit the ground running. Let's make this transition smooth and successful.

### PREPARING FOR YOUR FIRST SEMESTER

#### Before Orientation

- Activate your Laker ID and email—these are your lifelines.
- File your FAFSA, review your aid package, and contact Financial Aid for questions.
- Provide transcripts (college/high school), immunizations, and any other required paperwork.
- Not commuting? Explore on-campus or nearby housing options.

#### Orientation & Registration

- Attend Transfer, Commuter, or Non-Traditional New Student Orientation to learn about resources tailored for you.
- Meet your academic advisor to map out your courses.
- Use DUCK to enroll—double-check times and locations to fit your schedule.

#### Prep for Success

- Buy textbooks, supplies, and tech essentials.
- Plan your route, parking, and campus access.
- Find the library, Academic Success Center, and lounges where you can study or relax.
- Budget for tuition, books, and personal expenses.

#### First Weeks

- Attend all your classes and introduce yourself to professors.
- Check out clubs, organizations, and events to connect with other students.
- Academic Success, Counseling, and Career Services are here to help.
- Use a planner or app to keep track of assignments and deadlines.

#### Success Tips

- Faculty, advisors, and peers are here to support you.
- Check your student email daily.
- Prioritize self-care and make time for yourself.
- Every step—big or small—is progress worth cheering.

Welcome to Clayton State University, where your success story begins. 🎉



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#### HELPFUL CAMPUS RESOURCES

##### Financial Aid

Edgewater Hall  
FinancialAid@clayton.edu  
(678) 466-4185  
Clayton State University School Code 008976  
Website: <https://www.clayton.edu/financial-aid/>

##### Housing

Email: [housing@clayton.edu](mailto:housing@clayton.edu)  
(678) 466-5444  
<https://www.clayton.edu/housing/>

##### Immunizations

Laker Village 5809 N. Lake Drive, Building 1000  
Morrow, GA 30260  
(678) 466-4940  
<https://www.clayton.edu/student-life/health-and-wellness-center>

##### New Student Programs

Edgewater Hall 220  
(678) 466-5021  
NewStudentPrograms@clayton.edu  
<https://www.clayton.edu/new-student-programs>