

# HOW TO ENROLL

Southwestern has an open-door admission policy and welcomes students who wish to obtain a quality education. In general, students may enroll in classes if they meet any one of the following requirements and have the ability to benefit from instruction:

- Are 18 years of age or older;
- Have graduated from an accredited high school;
- Have completed a General Education Development (GED) certificate or an Adult High School Diploma; or
- Were home schooled and have met state requirements for high school equivalency/ completion.

Students in need of assistance with any part of this process are encouraged to contact the Admissions Office (<https://www.socc.edu/admissions>) staff, Dellwood Hall, Rm 4, 541-888-7636 or 800-962-2838, ext.7636, to schedule an appointment.

*Si usted necesita mas ayuda, por favor, llame a Educational Support Programs and Services (<https://www.socc.edu/esps>) al teléfono 541-888-7408 or 541-888-7407.*

The College Now (<https://www.socc.edu/highschool>) program provides high school students the opportunity to earn college credits while fulfilling high school graduation requirements. **Students under the age of 18 who have not graduated from high school or earned a GED** must fill out the “Underage Student Agreement” or “High School Partnership” form. Forms and information found at the bottom of the College Now (<https://www.socc.edu/highschool>) webpage.

## Steps to Become a Laker

### APPLY –

- Visit Southwestern’s Admissions webpage (<https://mylakerlink.socc.edu/ICS/Admissions>) to submit the application, and the \$40 fee **electronically**.
- For assistance contact either Student First Stop Center (<https://www.socc.edu/firststop>) location.

### SECURE FINANCING –

- Apply for federal and state aid at [fafsa.ed.gov](https://fafsa.ed.gov) (<https://fafsa.ed.gov>).
- Check your email linked to the FAFSA for supporting documents necessary for disbursement.
- Send outside funding information (scholarships, agency support, etc.) to Coos or Curry Student First Stop Center (<https://www.socc.edu/firststop>) location.
- Veterans should contact the Veteran’s Clerk at 541-888-7236 or visit the website at [socc.edu/financialaid/contacts](https://socc.edu/financialaid/contacts).

### COMPLETE THE PLACEMENT PROCESS -

The purpose of the placement process is to determine student’s entry-level in math, reading and writing. Multiple components are considered to place students initially into college courses.

- High school completion date and courses completed in high school
- High school overall GPA and/or content area grades
- Standardized test results (those the student has already completed) such as ACT, SAT, Smarter Balanced, to name a few. Applicants who have ACT/SAT scores should submit them to the Admissions Office in Dellwood Hall, Rm 4.

- Courses transferred from other colleges and universities. Send all transcripts to Transcript Evaluator, 1988 Newmark Avenue, Coos Bay, OR 97420.
- Placement testing, if required, is offered at all Southwestern sites.
  - Coos campus students should see an intake advisor in the Educational Support Programs and Services (<https://www.socc.edu/esps>) (ESPS) Office located in Stensland Hall between 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
  - Intake advisors are available at the Curry Campus (Brookings site) between 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
  - Intake advising at the Gold Beach Center or the Port Orford office is by appointment. Contact the Curry Student First Stop Center (<https://www.socc.edu/firststop>) at 541-813-1667 for more information.

### TRANSFER STUDENTS - Submit your official grade transcripts to:

Southwestern Oregon Community College  
C/O Transcript Evaluator  
1988 Newmark Ave.  
Coos Bay, OR 97420

### NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION – Requires a Southwestern ID number

- Complete the online New Student Orientation (<https://www.onlineorientation.net/socc/520>).
- Get to know your student portal ([mylakerlink.socc.edu](https://mylakerlink.socc.edu)) as well as your ID number and student email.
- Contact the Student First Stop Center (<https://www.socc.edu/firststop>) if you need assistance with an ID number.

### SECURE HOUSING –

- First time out-of-district freshmen attending Coos Campus are required to live in student housing.
- Apply for housing (<https://www.socc.edu/housing>) online or call 541-888-7635.

### MEET WITH AN ADVISOR –

- Visit or call Educational Support Programs & Services (<https://www.socc.edu/esps>) (ESPS) to make an initial advising appointment, Stensland Hall on Coos Campus at 541-888-7405 or our Curry location at 541-813-1669.
- Discuss your major, placement information, and prospective classes with an advisor.

### REGISTER VIA MYLAKERLINK –

- Log on to myLakerLink (<https://mylakerlink.socc.edu/ics>), complete the Personal Info Update Form, if necessary, and add classes.
- For assistance contact the Student First Stop Center (<https://www.socc.edu/firststop>) or email [firststop@socc.edu](mailto:firststop@socc.edu).

### TEXTBOOKS –

- Visit the Southwestern Bookstore in Dellwood Hall or [bookstore.socc.edu](https://bookstore.socc.edu) to purchase books and supplies.
- Call the Coos location at 541-888-7264 or the Curry location at 541-888-1667 with questions.

### FOLLOW-UP –

- Follow-up on the steps above by using the student portal (<https://mylakerlink.socc.edu/ics>).

- If you need any help contact the Student First Stop Center (<https://www.socc.edu/firststop>) at Coos: 541-888-7352 or Curry: 541-813-1667.
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