

2019 New Student Orientation Handbook August 23 - 25



MOUNT MARTY

Welcome to Mount Marty!

Welcome to Mount Marty! You are finally here and new Student Orientation is the first step in your college journey. Our goal is to acquaint you to the Mount Marty community and the wider world of college while we introduce you to the skills and attitudes that will start you on the road to a successful college experience.

During Orientation and throughout your first year, emphasize will be place on the importance of academics-after all, that's the reason you are attending college! While you are at Mount Marty, your college work should be given the highest priority.

In order to succeed academically, you will need to learn how to manage your time, understand the importance of expectations in a college community, and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

The Office of Student Activities strives to create a safe and caring environment committed to enhancing students' overall growth through a variety of opportunities and experiences. Getting involved on campus opens the doors to leadership development, social opportunities, skill enhancement, exchange of ideas, personal growth and academic success.

Be sure to stop by the Office of Student Activities located in the Raven. I'd love to help you get involved on campus and hear about your new adventures as you begin your college career!

Lead. Serve. Impact.





Welcome to Mount Marty!

On behalf of the Mount Marty College Admissions and Financial Aid Offices, I would like to welcome you to campus. I can honestly say that there has been an ever-growing sense of excitement in our offices over the course of the summer...all because we knew that YOU were coming.

Over the time that your Enrollment Counselor has worked with you, hopefully they helped to make selecting and enrolling at the right college just a little bit easier for you and your family. Over that same period of time, they have gotten to know you and recognize the gift that you are to our campus community.

Of course, we believe that you are making a great investment in your future and that Mount Marty has a great deal to offer you as you continue down the path of becoming the person you're meant to be. Certainly, you're about to gain invaluable knowledge and skills to apply to your future career, but that's just the beginning. At Mount Marty College, we believe that you'll further develop your personal set of values, build confidence and cultivate a greater sense of faith and civic responsibility that will allow you to have a more meaningful impact when you head out into the professional world four years from now.

We've seen it happen. We've seen the transformation.

So, our excitement is for the opportunities that lie ahead of you. Take advantage of the next four years...don't waste a minute. Challenge what you think you already know, read great books and ask big questions. Sing, play an instrument or take the stage in a play. Throw a ball, run the bases, or swing a racquet. Join a club, attend campus events, give back through service and lead your peers.

Find your passion.

And stop down to Admissions once in a while. Keep in touch and let us know what new discoveries you've made.

Wishing you all the best,

Stophania Moser

Stephanie Moser



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First Year at Mount Marty - 10 Important Things

- Things are not going to go as expected. This doesn't mean you picked the wrong college. It happens everywhere and other students are just as confused as you are.
 - 2 Play an active role in your first year. Get involved!
- 3 The relationships you have with people will change. Change is not a part of life. Change is life. Expect your relationships with friends and family to grow and change.
- 4 Go to class! You are responsible for your education. Skipping class is like paying for dinner and not eating it.
- 5 Improve the way you study. Tutors, professors, and peer study groups are great ways to start.

- 6 You will feel overwhelmed and tired at times. It is important to manage your time wisely, eat healthy, and get enough sleep.
 - Make Mount Marty your second home. Getting involved on campus can positively influence your grades and happiness.
- 8 Try new things. Join clubs, groups, sports, and activities that interest you. You will make friends, have fun, and even add service projects to your resume.
- 9 Second semester is an opportunity to do everything better. This is your chance for a new schedule, new classes, a new study routine, and new friends.
- The first year is about learning to learn. If you don't find success immediately, try again. In every experience there is knowledge.
 Work with resources on campus to help guide you towards successful habits.



Branch Out At Mount Marty!

Get Involved!

Check the campus calendar to find out what events are offered, then go to them!!

Be sure to check things out for yourself. Don't just take someone else's word for it.

Adventure out of your comfort zone!

You are never done making friends! Get to know people in your residence halls. If you live off campus, try to talk to people in and out of classes.

You may not love everything you try or everyone you meet, but that doesn't mean you should stop looking!

Be Prepared.

Last minute changes happen all the time.

Avoid the headache of getting lost the first day of class by checking your schedule online the night before. Give yourself extra time to find your classroom.

It is a good idea to locate important places like the Registrar's Office, your advisor's office, and even the bathrooms!

Feeling Homesick?

You are not alone. Remember other students are going through the same things.

Make Mount Marty your second home. It may not happen overnight, but it will happen.

It is ok to call home, but try to find someone on campus to talk to first.

In The Classroom.

Text messages and phone calls during class are NOT OK. Neither is Facebook!

Talk to your professors. They will notice your effort.

Save time and use a planner.

When you are in class, focus on class. Prepare for class by looking over the material you are going to cover.

Syllabi have built in timelines for your classes and assignment due dates.

Be on time for class!



Financial Aid

Welcome to campus! We have a couple reminders from the Financial Assistance Office. If you have accepted Federal Direct Loans for the 2019-20 school year there are two steps that must be completed before your loans will process: Federal Direct Loan Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note. If you haven't done so already, go to www.studentloans.gov, sign in using your FSA ID and:

- Click on 'Complete Entrance Counseling,' and click on the 'start' iconunder 'Entrance.
- Click on 'Complete Loan Agreement for a Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan(MPN)', click on 'Subsidized.

If your parent(s) are accepting the Federal Direct Parent PLUS loan for you and haven't done so already, they will need to visit www.studentloans.gov, sign in using their FSA ID, click on 'Parent Borrowers' and click on 'Apply for a Plus Loan.' If their application is accepted by the Department of Education, they will be directed to complete the 'Loan Agreement for a Plus Loan (MPN).

The Financial Assistance Office is your resource for:

- Assistance with the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- Eligibility for Financial Aid Programs
- Assistance with completing necessary forms to receive financial aid

Visit www.mtmc.edu/tuition-and-aid to learn more about:

- Outside scholarships & resources available
- Financial aid forms and links to financial aid sites
- Policies and procedures for the financial aid programs
- Consumer information

Important date to remember - October 1 is the beginning filing date for the FAFSA.





The Center for Academic Excellence provides students with peer and professional led academic support while encouraging opportunities for personal and academic growth.

First Year Experience

As a new student you will encounter several "firsts" over the course of the first year. Mount Marty has a unique advising approach to help you navigate new responsibilities and transition to college. A group of dedicated faculty, known as the Freshman Advising Team, takes a holistic approach to enhance success for a contemporary world of work, service to the human community, and personal growth. We act as an encouraging contact person to help you focus on strengths and positive aspects of your first year in college.

Individual Peer Tutoring

Peers are available in all subjects to help you make sense of lectures, assignments, and prepare for tests. Surprisingly, it all makes more sense coming from a peer.

Group Review/Study Sessions

Get a jump start on test prep with a group of friends. The Center offers weekly opportunities to learn with others in your class.

Peer Led Workshops

Each semester The Center sponsors the College Knowledge Series to help student learn to study smarter, not harder. Mini workshops provide refresher courses on time management, organization, study skills, note taking and test preparation. Sessions are free of charge and open to all Mount Marty students.





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Placement testing / CLEP

Whether you are a new student or returning to Mount Marty, The Center has assessments to help you understand your abilities and even earn college credit for what you already know.



Writing Lab

The Center offers help with all phases of the writing process from brainstorming and organization to questions of grammar and usage. We don't just proofread! We help you understand the writing process and grow in your writing talents.

Graduate School or Professional Preparation

If you are thinking of taking a graduate level entrance exam or exploring your options we can help with application materials, GRE/MCAT/ LSAT test preparation, and review sessions.

Structured Academic Support

The Center staff and tutors are available to help you reach success throughout the semester.

We're Here To Help You

Student Counseling Center | Roncalli 216

The Student Counseling Center serves the Mount Marty Community by providing a free, confidential and therapeutic setting for students to address mental health concerns.

Services provided by the Student Counseling Center include:

- Individual Counseling
- Crisis Intervention
- Group Counseling
- Prevention
- Consultation

- Outreach Programming
- Assessment and referral to community resources when necessary
- Campus Mental Healthy Screenings

The Counseling Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and evenings by appointment. To schedule an appointment, please stop by Roncalli 216, call 605-668-1518.

Career Services

Located in SLC 105, Career Services advises students throughout their college experience.

- Career Assessment
- Shadowing-Mentoring Opportunities
- Job Search Skills
- Career Support
- Counseling Guidance on Life/
 - **Professional Decisions**

- Job Fairs
- Career Search Programs
- Career Resources
- Disability Services
- Resume Building
- Internships

To schedule an appointment, please stop by SLC 105, call 605-668-1363, or email Dr. Keley Smith-Keller at keley.smith-kellar@mtmc.edu.

Yankton Healthcare Facilities

Healthcare facilities within walking distance of campus:

Avera Sacred Heart Hospital

501 Summit Street 605-668-8100 avera.org/sacred-heart

24/7 Emergency Services

Yankton Medical Clinic

1104 West 8th Street vanktonmedicalclinic.com Family Practice: 605-665-8910 | M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Convenient Care: 605-665-7841 M-F: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | S-S: 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Campus Ministry

Mount Marty Campus Ministry, in accordance with the College Mission Statement, provides students with opportunities to enrich and deepen their faith commitment following our Catholic Benedictine tradition.

Benedictine Identity

Mount Marty is built on four core Benedictine values: Awareness of God, Community, Hospitality, and Life-Long Learning. Campus Ministry enhances these values as we give students opportunities for spiritual growth, service, enrichment of their faith, and development of leadership skills. These four areas ground our students in a well-rounded understanding of our Catholic faith.

Below is a list of just some of the many ways to get involved with campus ministry on the Mount Marty campus.

- Serving in a Campus Ministry Service-Leadership role as a Peer Minister
- Mass with the Sisters weekdays at 11:15 a.m. in the Peace Chapel and 10:00 a.m. Sundays in the Bishop Marty Chapel
- College Masses on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. in the Peace Chapel
- Liturgy of the Hours every weekday at 3:15 p.m. in the Oratory
- Rosary every Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. in the Peace Chapel
- Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr. Valerian call 605-668-1386.
- R.C.I.A. for those who want to learn more about the Catholic Church
- Catholic Leadership sponsored activities
- Liturgical Ministry at Mass by being a lector, gift bearer, greeter, an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, or by sharing your musical talent
- Benedictine Sister/Student Prayer Partners
- Service Projects/Mission Trips
- Spiritual Direction
- Retreats



Residence Life

The Residence Life staff at Mount Marty would like to welcome you to your home away from home! At Mount Marty, we value the importance of our on-campus living experience. Our program will contribute to your growth and development at a person and as a member of the Mount Marty Community. We know that by being a part of our community, you will have access to all of the resources possible to find success at our institution.

Each hall is equipped with the amenities you will need throughout your school year. Our staff is comprised of community members who care about your well-being and success. The Department of Residence Life has developed a learning model that will result in a variety of programming and events that will be fun and connect you with your community in meaningful ways.

Each floor has a Residence Assistant that will help you become acclimated to life at Mount Marty. Their role will be to help develop the community on the floor and throughout the building. They are amazing resources for all of our residents. Do not hesitate to seek their help if you needanything while living in our halls.

During the first week of the academic year, you can expect that your Resident Assistant will hold a community meeting to help you learn about the rules and processes of living on campus. Feel free to ask the Resident Assistants any questions. They are here to make this year amazing!



Abby Thomas



Adam Roskam





Grant Martinson



Hailey Gonsor



Jeff Warner



On Duty RA Phone Answered 24/7: 605-660-1578

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Safety & Parking

Safety

Campus personnel, buildings and grounds are protected by Mount Marty safety officers. Their services include all-night survey of the campus; concern for the safety and protection of all personnel, investigating and reporting fire, safety and environmental hazards, open and/or broken windows and doors, property damage, building and campus lighting, law violations, violations of college regulations on college property, and motor vehicle violations. Officers may ask for IDs, and they deserve full cooperation of all community members in the exercise of their responsibilities.

Safety Escort

An escort is provided on campus during the hours Campus Safety is on duty. Students who are interested in requesting this service may call Campus Safety by dialing (9)661-9883 from a campus telephone, or 605-661-9883.

Parking

Mount Marty College does not charge a fee for parking permits. All individuals who operate or maintain a motor vehicle on campus have the responsibility to register their vehicles, understand the parking regulations and abide by the regulations. All motorized vehicles driven by students must be registered in the Student Affairs Office within five school days after classes begin. The Student Affairs Office must be notified of vehicle changes during the school year. To register your vehicle with the Student Affairs Office, please provide license number, make, model and color of the vehicle. Upon registration you will receive a free parking decal. For security and safety reasons, the decal must be placed on the front windshield in the lower right hand corner of each registered vehicle. Visitors must also display a visitor tag. These may be requested from the Student Affairs Office.

Tickets carry a fine which will be billed by the Business Office of \$25.00. Handicap parking is clearly marked, and the fines are double if violated. Fines are also doubled in fire lanes. Student citations must be paid within 5 days of the ticketed issue date, or it will be added to the student's account. Unpaid citations may eliminate the possibility of class registration or receiving a student transcript. For more information on parking, including a map of the parking lots on campus and a parking ticket appeal form, please visit the Mount Marty website at: www.mtmc.edu/student/parking.aspx.

Important Numbers

Police/Emergency - 911 Crisis Hotline - 605-665-4606 or 800-765-3382 Campus Safety - 605-661-9883

Campus Alert Notification (CAN) System

Keeping You Safe & Informed

At Mount Marty, our priority is the safety and security of our students, faculty, staff and community. The CAN System keeps you informed of official closures, and any emergencies that may arise.

How To Sign Up

- 1. Log on to the Student Portal
- 2. Click Campus Life
- 3. Select "Campus Alerts"
- 4.Click "Sign In"
- 5. Once signed in you will be able to join the appropriate notification group

The information you list is private and Mount Marty will not sell it or use it for any other purpose!



Student Government Association

The purpose of the SGA shall be to: 1) Provide for the organized conduct of student activities and promote the general welfare of its members, to represent at all times the rights, needs, and desires of its membership, 2) promote a better understanding between the college and its surrounding community, and 3) insure each student a means of expressing his/her opinions and views on matters which concern the individual and/or the college community



The SGA legislative branch is comprised of: six representatives from each class and six non-traditional representatives, and the SGA executive officers. SGA listens to student concerns and acts as a liason between the student body and administration. SGA manages the CAB (Campus Activities Board), which sponsors late night and weekend fun such as magicians, hypnotists, dodgeball tournaments, and various dances throughout the year.

SGA actively participates in community service events.

Join SGA and Become a Representative!

Student representatives are selected by their peers to be their voice. Elections for freshmen representatives takes place within two weeks of school starting.

Campus Activities Board (CAB)

CAB (Campus Activities Board organizes many activities planned for the college community. Student volunteers plan, develop, and implement programs that provide opportunities for growth through educational, cultural, social, and recreational, experiences that complement the college's academic and overall mission. These programs are also intended to engage and unify the college community.

The Campus Activities Board welcomes all Mount Marty students interested in getting involved in the organization. Getting involved is as easy as attending a meeting or contacting your SGA representative. For information about CAB, we recommend that you attend the Involvement Fair held in the Fall Semester. From there, you can attend any committee meetings that interest you.

The Campus Activities Board is one of the most exciting and active groups on campus. Consisting of committees that offer programs in different areas of interest, CAB constantly strives to develop new and innovative programs for the Mount Marty community.

Each of the eight committees of CAB are responsible for various types of events. Committees include: Family Weekend, Homecoming, Entertainment, Weekend Programming, Dances, Lancer Pride, Community Service and Off-Ful Week.

Each of the committees is responsible for the planning and implementation of various events on the Mount Marty campus. The events include activities every day for the first 6 weeks of school, concerts and comedy shows, Homecoming events, and much more! For upcoming events, please visit the Mount Marty website & click on the events calendar.

Participation in CAB is open to all students, and the opportunity to grow is limitless. A student involved with CAB has an opportunity to:

- Be positive and active on campus
- Work with agents and meet entertainers
- Make friends with other student leaders
- Develop skills for a resume
- Develop leadership skills
- Have fun



To learn more or to join CAB, contact: Lisa Willcockson 605-668-1302 lisa.willcockson@mtmc.edu

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Fitness Center & Intramural Sports

"When health is absent, wisdom cannot reveal itself,art cannot manifest, strength cannot fight, wealth becomes useless, and intelligence cannot be applied." Herophilus

The Fitness Center is located in the west side of Cimpl Area and offers a wide range of exercise equipment and fitness opportunities to encourage healthy living.

- Open to all full-time students as part of their semester Wellness and Activity Fee.
- The Fitness Center is open when Cimpl Arena is open so you can easily incorporate exercise into your busy life!
- Part-time students, staff, and faculty can purchase a semester membership for \$50.00.



Intramural Sports

Intramural sports are an enjoyable and relaxing way to get involved in campus life, meet new friends, get great exercise, and most importantly have fun through organized recreational activities.

Intramural sports offer team, individual, and special events throughout the academic year for all members of the Mount Marty community. All full-time students, faculty, and staff of Mount Marty are eligible to participate.

Pages - Mount Marty Bookstore

Hours

Monday	8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.

Contact Information

Director: Mary Abbott Assistant Director: Crystal Cooper Phone: 605-668-1540 Website: http://pagesbookstore.mtmc.edu Facebook: www.facebook.com/mmcbookstore

Some Weekends For Special Events

Bookstore Policies

- 1. The bookstore will help you find what you need in a timely manner. We also special order supplies, novels, apparel, and more. Please don't hesitate to ask for what you need!
- 2. The bookstore accepts the following forms of payment: check, cash, credit or debit card, and gift certificate.
- 3. Textbooks may also be purchased using financial aid, Vocational Rehab, and Veteran Affairs accounts, with prior approval from the Mount Marty Business Office.
- 4. Federal copyright law (Section 107 H.R. 2223) prohibits photocopying as a substitute for the purchase of a book.

Returns

- 1. Textbook refunds will be given within the first TWO WEEKS of class (Fall/Spring Semesters) with original receipt AND proof of dropping the course. Textbooks must be returned within the first TWO DAYS of class for summer semesters.
- 2. Refunds will be paid by check, unless textbooks were charged to a credit card.
- 3. Textbooks and art kits must be in original condition to receive a refund.
- 4. NO REFUNDS will be given on unwrapped packages or activated e-books.
- 5. Rental textbooks must be returned by 4:00 p.m. THE LAST DAY OF FINALS. (See Rental Contract for more information.)
- 6. Sportswear refunds will be given within 90 days of original purchase, with original tags and receipts.
- 7. All return policies apply to all online and in-store sales.

Buy Back

- 1. Textbooks can be sold to the bookstore year-round, regardless of where purchased.
- During finals week, the bookstore conducts a formal buyback for textbooks needed at Mount Marty and for Nebraska Book Company who will purchase textbooks not needed at Mount Marty.
- 3. The bookstore reserves the right to refuse any textbook due to editions, course requirement changes, quantity needed, or poor condition.

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2019-2020 Important Dates

Friday, August 23	Official Move In Date for New Students
Friday, August 23-25	New Student Orientation
Sunday, August 25	Official Move In Date for Returning Students
Monday, August 26	Fall Classes Begin
Monday, September 2	Labor Day - No Classes, Offices Closed
Friday, September 20	Homecoming Weekend
Monday, October 14	Indigenous People Day - No Classes, Offices Closed
Monday, November 11	Veterans Day - No Classes, Offices Closed
Tuesday, November 26	Thanksgiving Break Begins - Close of Classes at 5:00 p.m.
Monday, December 2	Classes Resume After Thanksgiving Break
December 9-12	Final Exam Week
Thursday, December 12	Close of Fall Semester*
Sunday, January 12	Residence Halls Open for Spring Semester
Monday, January 13	Spring Classes Begin
Monday, January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No Classes, Offices Closed
Monday, February 17	Presidents Day - No Classes, Offices Closed
Monday, March 2-6	Spring Break
Monday, March 9	Classes Resume After Spring Break
Wednesday, April 9	Easter Break
Tuesday, April 14	Classes Resume After Easter Break
Monday, May 4-7	Final Exams Week
Thursday, May 7	Close of Spring Semester**
Friday, May 8	Baccalaureate
Saturday, May 9	Commencement

*Students are required to check out of the residence halls two hours after their final exam. Residence Halls close at 5:00 p.m. *Students are required to check out of the residence halls two hours after their final exam. Residence Halls close at 5:00 p.m. except for seniors and those students participating in Baccalaureate and Commencement ceremonies.

Mount Marty Homecoming

Mount Marty Homecoming - September 20-21, 2019

Homecoming is a festive time for the College to celebrate its current student body. During this celebratory time, we invite students, faculty, and staff to join us in a host of fun activities. Some of the activities planned in include; Coronation, bowling, athletic events, and a dance. There's always something for everyone!

Any questions about Mount Marty Homecoming can be directed to the Mount Marty Student Activities Office at 605-668-1302 or emailed to Lisa Willcockson, Director of Student Activities, at lisa.willcockson@mtmc.edu.

Yankton Area Hotels

- Best Western Kelly Inn 1607 E. Highway 50 605-665-2906 bestwesternyankton.com

- **Days Inn** 2410 Broadway Avenue 605-665-8717 daysinn.com - Holiday Inn Express 2607 Broadway Avenue 605-665-3177 ihg.com

- Econolodge 611 West 23rd Street 605-689-3400



View this map on our website at mtmc.edu/about/maps.aspx.

Mount Marty is a tobacco free campus.

