# RESOURCE GUIDE 2023-2024



TRINE UNIVERSITY



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### TRINE UNIVERSITY CALENDAR — ANGOLA CAMPUS

2023-2024

#### **JULY 1, 2023 - AUGUST 1, 2023**

July 1 All loan applications due

(Stafford, Master Promissory Notes and Parent Plus)

Aug. 1 **FALL BILLS DUE** 

Student Account Agreement/Authorization Form due

Students living on campus will not be allowed to move into university housing if their bills are not paid.

#### **FALL SEMESTER 2023**

Aug. 21	Classes begin
Aug. 28	Last day to drop a class at 100 percent refund
Aug. 28	Last day to add a class
Aug. 28	Last day to change meal plan
Sept. 4	Labor Day - no classes
Sept. 11	Last day to drop a class to receive a 50 percent refund
Oct. 13	Mid-term grade reports posted and mailed to first-year students
Oct. 16-17	Fall break - no classes
Nov. 15	Last day to drop a class - no refund
Nov. 22-24	Thanksgiving break - no classes
Dec. 8	Last day of classes
Dec. 11-16	Finals Week
Dec. 17-Jan. 7	No classes
Dec. 21	Grade reports posted and mailed to first-year students

#### **SPRING SEMESTER 2024**

Jan. 8	Spring classes begin	
Jan. 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no classes)	
Jan. 16	Last day to drop a class at 100 percent refund	
Jan. 16	Last day to add a class	
Jan. 16	Last day to change meal plan	
Jan. 29	Last day to drop a class to receive a 50 percent refund	
Mar. 1	FAFSA - Trine University institutional priority filing deadline	
Mar. 4	Mid-term grade reports posted and mailed to first-year students	
Mar. 4-8	4-8 Spring break - no classes	
Mar. 29	r. 29 <b>Good Friday - no classes</b> (Residence halls remain open)	
Apr. 10	Last day to drop a class - no refund	
Apr. 26	Last day of classes	
Apr. 29-May 4	r. 29-May 4 Finals Week	
May 4	Commencement	
May 9	Grade reports posted and mailed to first-year students	

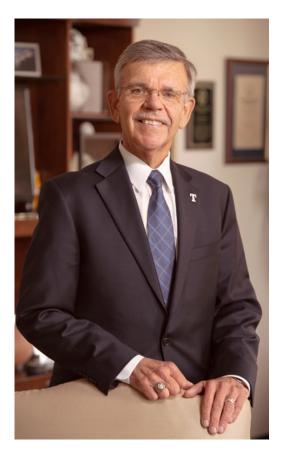


### WELCOME TO TRINE UNIVERSITY!

At Trine University, we take great pride in all we have accomplished as we carry out our mission of preparing our students to succeed, lead and serve. Our beautiful campus will be your home for the next few years, and we don't take that responsibility lightly. Trine is a family and you are our focus. We are committed to providing you an extraordinary learning experience in a safe but vibrant environment.

Over the last few years we have invested heavily in new and enhanced facilities to enrich your time here. There are many interesting, amazing things happening on our campus, and we hope you will join in the pride and excitement.

We remain committed to providing caring, expert professors, state-of-the-art classrooms and well-stocked laboratories on our campus. Trine is a place where lifelong friendships are formed and different cultures are explored, a place of higher learning that embraces and promotes diversity. I encourage you to make the most of your college experience! Get involved in clubs and organizations, compete on our championship athletic teams and learn about new subjects and ideas by way of free campus talks and events.



While college is a thrilling, rewarding educational experience, it also can be a bit daunting. We encourage you to quickly ask questions and seek assistance if needed. Trine faculty, staff, coaches and advisors are here to serve and partner with you to make your time at Trine successful.

In addition, my door is always open.

Welcome to Trine University! We look forward to you being part of the family!

Earl D. Brooks II

Earl D. Brooks II, Ph.D. President

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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#### **Forman Hall**

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Rick L. & Vicki L. James University Center across from the Bookstore Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m

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### OFFICE OF ADMISSION

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#### **ACADEMIC POLICIES**



For more information about academic policies, contact Julie Pfafman, academic affairs, at <u>pfafmanj@trine.edu</u> or 260-665-4533.

Additional policy Information may be found at trine.edu/resources/registrar/course-catalog.aspx

### CLASS ATTENDANCE AND EXCUSED ABSENCES

Students are expected to attend all class and laboratory sessions. Absences may be permitted for reasonable causes such as:

- Illness
- Disabling injury
- Death or serious illness in the immediate family
- Court order
- Participation in university-sponsored activities

Written documentation of the reason for the absence may be required and, in the case of university-sponsored events, such documentation will be provided by the university sponsor.

It is the student's responsibility to discuss pending absences (field trips, athletic competitions, etc.) with their professors prior to the absence. The faculty member may require the student to complete any work due prior to the absence. Class or team lists distributed via email do not excuse a student from class or laboratory sessions, but rather provide confirmation to the faculty member that the activity is indeed university-sponsored.

If there is a death in the immediate family (parent, legal guardian, spouse, sibling and/or child), please contact the Office of Student Success and Retention. Under these circumstances a student will be excused from class attendance for up to seven calendar days. When the student returns to class they should confer with the professor.

It is the instructor's responsibility to present a class attendance policy to each class at the beginning of the semester. Decisions regarding submission of assignments will be at the instructor's discretion, but students may not be penalized for absences due to reasonable cause.

#### **GRADING**

The awarding of grades is the prerogative of the classroom instructor in accordance with policies posted in the Trine University catalog. Faculty members are responsible for informing students of their grading policies as indicated on the course syllabus for that class. Grades become official when they are reported to the registrar; however, the following occurrence is possible:

- If a faculty member discovers incorrectly reported grades due to miscalculation or clerical error, the error should be reported by the faculty member to the registrar immediately.
- The appropriate department chair must approve any adjustment of grades.

#### **GRADING SYSTEM:**

GRADING SYSTEM:		
Α	Excellent	4.0
B+	Very Good	3.5
В	Good	3.0
C+	Above Average	2.5
С	Average	2.0
D+	Below Average	1.5
D	Poor (lowest passing grade)	1.0
F	Failure	0.0
FI	Failure (original grade of I)	0.0
S	Satisfactory	not figured into GPA
TR	Transfer Credit	not figured into GPA
U	Unsatisfactory	not figured into GPA
I	Incomplete	not figured into GPA
IP	In progress (grade deferred)	not figured into GPA
W	Withdrawal before completion of 80% of the semester	
WP	Withdrawal after completion of 80% of the semester with passing work at the time of withdrawal	

#### **ACADEMIC RECORD**

A report of the student's grades earned in all courses taken during a semester is posted online at the end of each term. Grade reports for **first year** main campus students are **mailed to permanent addresses** for domestic students and to local addresses for international students.

A permanent record of all the student's courses, credits and grades earned is kept in the Office of the Registrar. The student should maintain a record of courses, credits and grades each term and check from time to time to see that this record agrees with the University version. The official record may also help the student determine eligibility for any activity that requires meeting specific scholastic standards.

#### **ACADEMIC PROBATION**

The academic performance of every student is monitored by the registrar and the academic departments to determine satisfactory progress. Students with GPAs below 2.0 will receive a letter warning them that they have fallen below the standard required for graduation.

Students are placed on probation in the following situations:

- Degree-seeking students who have attempted 59 or fewer semester hours at Trine University and are more than six cumulative honor points below the 2.0 graduation standard.
- Degree-seeking students who have attempted 60 or more semester hours of course work and have a cumulative grade point average lower than 2.0. Transfer hours are added to Trine University hours attempted for purposes of determining the 60 hours attempted.

A student on academic probation will have one semester to reach minimum standards or be dismissed. Students on probation who achieve at least a 2.0 GPA in summer courses will not be dismissed. Students on probation who raise

their cumulative GPA to acceptable academic graduation standards will be removed from probationary status.

For more information on Academic Probation please see the course catalog.

#### **ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT**

The university prohibits all forms of academic misconduct. Academic Misconduct refers to, but is not limited to, the following activities:

- Copying another person's work and claiming it as your own, or submitting the same paper in two different courses without knowledge and consent of the instructor (plagiarism);
- Using the work of a group of students when the assignment requires individual work;
- Looking at or attempting to look at an examination before it is administered;
- Using materials during an examination that are not permitted;
- Allowing another student to take your examination for you;
- Intentionally impeding the academic work of others;
- Using any electronic device to transmit portions of questions or answers on an examination to other students;
- Using any electronic device to improperly store information for an exam;
- Knowingly furnishing false information to the university;
- Assisting other students in any of the acts listed above.

Moreover, a student is expected to submit his/her own work and to identify any portion of work that has been borrowed from others in any form. Failure to adhere to the policy above is considered academic misconduct. An ignorant act of plagiarism on final versions and minor projects, such as attributing or citing inadequately, will be considered a failure to master an essential course skill and is considered Academic Misconduct. A deliberate act of plagiarism, such as having someone else do your work or submitting someone else's work as your own (e.g., from the Internet, fraternity file, etc., including homework and in-class exercises), is also Academic Misconduct and will result in more serious penalties.

In situations of Academic Misconduct, instructors have the authority to award a failing grade on the assignment in question or a failing grade for the course. Upon approval by the appropriate dean, Academic Misconduct may also result in expulsion from the university.

### **ACADEMIC SUPPORT**



For more information, contact Nicole Kibiloski, director of accessibility services, at kibiloskin@trine.edu, 260-665-4590. Her office (227) is located on the second floor of the LINK in the Rick L. and Vicki L. James University Center.

#### **STUDY SESSIONS**

Study Sessions are a free resource available to all Trine students. Sessions are led by

student leaders who have excelled in the course in previous semesters. The goal of study sessions is to strengthen the foundational knowledge of a course and find new approaches to overcome complexities. Students can meet with a study session leader at any stage in the learning process, whether being challenged by the material or just in need of some accountability and someone with whom to talk things through.

#### **WRITING CENTER**

The Amy Salyer-Nicholls Writing Center assists students with writing, as well as help in using computers for research or composition of a paper. The Writing Center is located on the first floor of the LINK In the Rick L. and Vicki L. James University Center.

#### **MATH CENTER**

The Trine Math Center provides peer-tutoring services to assist with math comprehension. The Math Center is located in Shambaugh 207. Information regarding drop-in hours and times is communicated via email to all students in the first weeks of the semester.

#### **ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES**

All students learn differently, and it is our goal at Trine to assist students in achieving success. If a student plans to request academic accommodations, he/she is required to meet with the director of accessibility services to discuss their disability. In order to formally request academic accommodations, students must complete an application and provide professional supportive documentation before accommodations can be implemented.

In addition to academic accommodations, other accommodations such as housing, dietary, service animal, and emotional support animal are available. Students may request accommodations by visiting <a href="https://trine.jotform.com/220764356062959">https://trine.jotform.com/220764356062959</a> which can be found under the Campus Life page of trine.edu. Students may also contact Nicole Kibiloski, director of accessibility services, via email (kibiloskin@trine.edu) or phone (260-665-4590) to get started.

#### **ACADEMIC COACHING**

Academic coaches are available to assist students with the discovery and implementation of learning strategies, such

as time management, goal setting, test prep, note taking, etc., and with accountability. Any student may request an academic coach at any time during the semester by contacting the Director of Accessibility Services at <a href="mailto:kibiloskin@trine.edu">kibiloskin@trine.edu</a>.

#### **OTHER RESOURCES**

The Office of Academic Support offers advice, workshops and information related to college success. All students are invited to sign up for an individual appointment or attend an academic success workshop during the school year.

#### TRINE UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE



Located in the Rick L. and Vicki L. James University Center

#### **REGULAR HOURS**

Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hours may vary during special events and holidays.

#### **SUMMER HOURS**

Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Closed Saturday - Sunday Hours may vary during special events and holidays.

Store Manager Steve Helm 260-665-4152 0300mgr@follett.com Assistant Store Manager Carie Creager 260-665-4167 0300txt@follett.com

For more information, contact the Trine University Bookstore: 260-665-4153.

- We buy books year-round!
- Students wishing to order online should visit www. trineshop.com and select in-store pickup as their delivery method.
- When shopping the textbook shelves, students should have their schedule handy.
- Financial aid may be used to purchase course material and authorized school supplies.
- Several cost-saving textbook programs are available, including used books, digital formats, and textbook rental.
- Visit the Bookstore online at trineshop.com for any college needs. The UC Store has a complete line of college gear, school supplies, health and beauty aids, snacks and refrigerated and frozen items.

#### **CAMPUS SAFETY**



For more information, contact Stuart Hamblen, director of campus safety, at hamblens@trine.edu or 260-665-4543.

The campus safety office is located on the first floor In the Rick L. and Vicki L. James University Center.

Campus safety encompasses all campus protection including

first aid, CPR and emergency response procedures. Campus safety officers patrol campus using fully-marked campus safety cruisers, golf carts and bicycle patrol units. Campus safety officers control and monitor over 200 video surveillance cameras in and around our University buildings. Safety officers are easily identifiable with the uniforms they wear and the vehicles that they operate.

- Campus safety officers are on duty 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and may be reached at 260-316-1877.
   Additionally, the Campus Safety office at the UC is staffed during the school year 24/7..
- Officers are equipped with radios and smart phones and have immediate communication with students as well as local emergency services.
- Campus Safety has also incorporated an emergency notification system that alerts students and staff through text, email and social media to campus emergencies.
   Additionally, the campus has nine emergency blue light stations that students can activate, which dial directly into the 911 dispatch center and will allow a dispatcher to communicate with the student instantly.
- Along with providing a safe environment for students, faculty, staff and visitors, Campus Safety also provides other services, such as jump starts, vehicle unlocks and courtesy rides for injured/disabled students and after hours from distant parking lots on campus. Campus safety officers also issue parking decals and enforce university parking regulations.
- Trine University complies with federal CLERY crime reporting requirements. To obtain CLERY information, visit the Trine University campus safety web page at trine.edu/campus safety. If you have additional Campus Safety questions, please call anytime at our 24-hour number, 260-316-1877.



#### CAREER CENTER



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Located in the University Center across from the Bookstore, the Career Center strives to educate and empower students while facilitating opportunities to connect them with alumni, employers, and industry professionals for advice, experiential learning, and employment.

### Students work with our team to...

- Determine a major or career path
- Review a resume, cover letter, portfolio, or other career documents
- Prepare for a career fair or networking
- Search for an internship, co-op or a professional career
- · Practice for an interview
- Evaluate online branding
- Analyze a job offer
- Provide graduate school application feedback

Students should connect with the Career Center beginning their freshman year. Visit Handshake at **trine.joinhandshake.com** to search for positions, register for events, and schedule Career Center appointments.

For more information, visit trine.edu/career-services.

#### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

Second Floor of LINK/University Center Building

To make an appointment with Counseling Services please email: counseling@trine.edu

After Hours Crisis Line for Mental Health Emergencies: 260-446-1867

For Wellness Checks/Safety Concerns; Campus Safety: 260-316-1877

#### FREE, 24/7 CONFIDENTIAL

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE -

CALL, TEXT OR CHAT **988** or **1-800-273-8255 988**lifeline.org

#### **CRISIS TEXT LINE**

741741 - For those in crisis text "HOME"

For more counseling services information, contact:



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Many students find themselves struggling in the university environment, whether from the transition to college as a freshman or stress from trying to balance academics, time management and emotional/relational challenges. Some are able to problem-solve with the support of friends and family and some need extra support and guidance. Sometimes, an objective viewpoint can help put difficult issues into perspective so they become more manageable.

Trine University's Counseling Services offer a means to enhance one's ability to effectively cope with personal, social, educational and career issues. Students access counseling services for various reasons such as stress management, homesickness/adjustment to college, identity issues, relationship Issues, mood challenges, test anxiety and more.

Length of services varies with the primary focus on a short-term, solution focused treatment by one of our state-licensed clinicians. These therapeutic sessions are free and confidential, and no information regarding treatment will be shared with other entities, including family or university personnel, without the written consent of the student receiving services.

If a student needs more long-term, intensive treatment, they may be referred to a professional in the community that will best meet their therapeutic and medical needs. The ultimate goal of Trine University's Counseling Services Center is to assist students in achieving their academic goals, building meaningful connections, and preparing for the future in the healthiest manner possible.

#### **OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid at 260.665.4158 or finaid@trine.edu.

#### **BASICS**

Trine University subscribes to the principle that the primary responsibility for the financing of a student's education rests with students and their parents or guardians. The mission of the financial aid program is service-oriented and geared to providing access and choices for interested students. To accomplish its mission, Trine offers a variety of counseling and planning programs for students with economic needs.

#### **AID ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for financial aid, a student must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- Have a high school diploma or General Education Development (GED) certificate, and have the ability to benefit from the course of study.
- Provide a valid and verifiable Social Security number or otherwise be determined an eligible non-citizen.
- Register with the Selective Service, if required.
- Be enrolled as a regular student working toward a degree in an eligible program.
- Be able to prove federal benefits have not been suspended or terminated as a result of a drug offense.
- Be able to prove a previous federal educational loan is not in default; prove they do not owe a repayment on a previous educational grant or loan; and prove they have not borrowed in excess of federal student loan limits.
- Be determined to have a financial need according to the results from filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or renewal application.
- Make satisfactory academic progress according to the university's policy for financial aid eligibility. For the official SAP policy, see the Trine website.
- · Complete the FAFSA annually.

#### STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

All students who are attending Trine University may:

- Apply for financial aid.
- Receive financial aid information and counseling.
- Be considered for financial aid on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Be notified of eligibility for financial aid.
- Be informed of the specific types of financial aid awarded, the amount of each type, and the conditions necessary to renew each type.
- Review with the Office of Financial Aid how the aid award was determined.
- Request additional review of the aid package by the Office of Financial Aid.

All students who receive financial aid at Trine University are responsible for:

- Abiding by the policies and regulations of the university.
- Informing the Office of Financial Aid of other financial aid awards.
- Maintaining good academic progress by remaining in good standing.
- Maintaining good social standing by avoiding social disciplinary sanctions.
- Re-applying for financial aid by completing the FAFSA application by the priority filling deadline annually.

#### **MYTRINEFA: ONLINE FINANCIAL AID ACCOUNT**

To access the online system, visit mytrinefa.trine.edu (not myPortal).

This site is a one-stop shop for all things related to student aid.

On this site you may:

- Check the status of your financial aid application.
- View a list of documents we have received from you and a list of documents still outstanding
- View and download forms needed to complete your financial aid file
- View your financial aid awards
- Check the status of your student loans for the current year.
- Upload required documents/forms to the financial aid office.

#### **TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID**

**Pell Grant (Federal)** — A student may be enrolled full-time, three-quarter time, half-time, less than half-time. It is dependent upon the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and governmental regulations.

Frank O'Bannon Grant Program (State Grant) — An applicant must be an Indiana state resident, a full-time student and must complete the FAFSA by April 15 yearly. This grant, like all other state grants, is dependent upon EFC and may be applied toward tuition only.

#### **COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS**

Students receiving the Higher Education Award or Freedom of Choice Award must complete at least 30 credit hours annually to remain eligible for the maximum award. A student who completes at least 24 credit hours annually will remain eligible for state aid but will receive an amount less than a student who completes 30 credit hours. 21st Century Scholars are required to earn at least 30 credit hours every year and complete requirements for the College Scholar Success Program. More information is available at in.gov/che.

**Federal Work Study** — This refers to money awarded and earned by working for the university. A student must have an enrollment status of full-time (unless it is their graduating semester; then a student may be at least half-time) and show eligibility on their financial aid notification. Money comes to the student in the form of a paycheck and is not applied to the student's account.

**Direct Stafford Loan Program** — Applicants must complete the FAFSA and meet basic eligibility requirements. A freshman can receive \$5,500/year; a sophomore can receive \$6,500/year; and a junior and senior can each receive \$7,500/year. These loans are federally funded and are available to students who are enrolled at least half-time.

**Direct Subsidized Stafford Loan** — The federal government pays the interest on the student loan during enrollment. Eligibility is determined through federal need.

**Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan** — This loan is the same as the Stafford subsidized except the student is responsible for the interest, not the government, and it begins accruing immediately after disbursement.

**Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS Loan)** — This is a federal loan to parents of dependent undergraduate students that can be used to help pay for educational costs.

#### **STUDENT EMPLOYMENT (Federal Work-Study Program)**

Some students may receive Federal Work-Study (FWS) eligibility as part of their Financial Aid Offer. The Federal Work Study Program is a federally funded self-help aid program designed to provide work opportunities for students, enabling them to earn funds for meeting educational expenses. In addition, it is possible for students to gain work experience in areas of academic and/or non-academic interest. Not every student will be eligible for FWS. It is Trine University's policy that a student must be eligible for FWS in order to work in an oncampus position. Students should refer to their MyTrineFA account online to see if they qualify. Any questions regarding the work-study program can be emailed to workstudy@trine.edu.

#### **HOW TO FIND AN ON-CAMPUS JOB**

- In August a packet of information with specifics will be mailed to those who qualify for FWS.
- Part-time jobs will be posted online before classes start.
- It is the student's responsibility to make contact with the

- departments in which he or she is interested in working in order to secure employment. The financial aid office does not assign student jobs.
- When hired, supervisors will begin the authorization process, which must be completed before students may work.
- Each part of the authorization process must be completed and approved by Human Resources prior to working. Students must present two original forms of ID to Human Resources before they will be allowed to work.

#### **HOW TO APPLY FOR LOANS**

 Any new student to Trine University who plans to use their Federal Stafford Loan eligibility must complete the Federal Direct Stafford Master Promissory Note, Entrance Counseling and Informed Borrowing Confirmation. All forms are available at studentaid.gov. An FSA ID is required to login.

Parents: If you plan to utilize the Federal Direct PLUS loan (only available to parents of dependent students), three steps must be completed. Log in to studentaid.gov and complete the PLUS request process. Parents must log in as themselves using their own FSA ID. A preliminary credit check will be conducted and you will instantly be accepted or declined for this loan. If accepted, you must complete the Direct Parent PLUS Master Promissory Note and Informed Borrowing Confirmation in order to borrow the loan. Funds will not disburse until both steps are completed. Note: If you have borrowed a PLUS loan for the same student within the previous year, you do not need to complete a new Promissory Note. However, you must still complete the Informed Borrowing Confirmation each year.

• If you are declined, your student automatically becomes eligible for an additional Stafford Unsubsidized loan. Freshmen and sophomores are eligible for an additional \$4,000/year, and juniors and seniors are eligible for up to \$5,000/year.

A student will be notified via email that additional loan eligibility has been added to his/her financial aid offer and will be required to accept or decline the additional funding by accessing their MyTrineFA account. These funds will not disburse to the student's account until the additional loan amount has been accepted.

#### **OPTIONS FOR PAYING YOUR BILL**

- Cash payment
- Payment plan. Information can be found at mycollegepaymentplan.com/trineuniversity or by contacting the business office at 260-665-4292.
- Federal Direct Student Loan (subsidized/unsubsidized) [only covers up to yearly loan limits, typically not enough]
- Federal Direct PLUS Loan (parents only)
- Alternative/Private Educational Loan

For more information about student/parent educational loans visit trine.edu/loans.

#### **DISBURSEMENT**

Aid is credited to the student's account within the first two weeks of classes, provided all documentation has been completed. One-half of the year's financial aid is disbursed per semester. Loan amounts are credited to the student's account only after Trine has received the promissory note and entrance counseling and the student has accepted the loan through his or her MyTrineFA account.

#### **REFUND CALCULATION FOR WITHDRAWLS**

- If a student withdraws from all of their classes and his/her financial aid package includes any federal or state aid, a refund calculation will be performed to see if any funds are unearned and must be returned. The refund calculation (R2T4) and application is a complex process, and depends on many factors. If students would like information concerning refunds, or any specifics regarding the information presented above, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at 260-665-4116 or see our Withdraw and R2T4 Policy listed on trine.edu on the policies webpage.
- Refunds of federal aid are a separate calculation from the refund of charges under Trine University's student accounts office policies.
- Any student who does not receive federal financial aid and is dismissed or suspended for cause of misconduct will not be entitled to any refund. No refund is provided for fees, books and supplies, or other personal expenses.

### HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES



For more information, contact the Health Center at 260-667-5693.

#### STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

 Trine University has partnered with Cameron Memorial Community Hospital for Trine's Student Health Center on campus. Conveniently located in Quest Hall, medical providers can diagnose illnesses, prescribe medication, and administer allergy immunotherapy. A certified nurse practitioner or physician's assistant is available Monday-Friday.

- All Trine University undergraduate students pay a health and wellness fee, which allows students to visit the clinic at no charge. Some restrictions may apply. Additional services such as some lab testing, psychiatric therapy visits, and medications may be billed through insurance or billed directly.
- Clinic hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
  - Schedule online via MyChart
  - Use MyPortal to access the link to make an appointment online:

MyPortal.trine.edu → Student tab → Health Center

• Additional Healthcare options:

**Urgent Care of Cameron Hospital** 1381 North Wayne Street, Angola

Cameron Memorial Community Hospital 416 East Maumee Street, Angola CameronMCH.com

#### **IMMUNIZATIONS**

 All incoming students are required to have an immunization record on file. Records must be submitted to the university by the student's move-in date.

Incoming students will complete this step of the admission process after they have attended a SOAR event. Here you will find out your Trine email address and student ID number that is needed to complete this process.

- Immunization records will be collected by our Student Health Center using MedProctor. You will submit your immunization records by doing the following:
  - 1. Visit medproctor.com
  - 2. Click in the Register / Login
  - 3. Type in your Trine email address. \*It is important to use your Trine email address\*
  - 4. Type in your information. \*You will need to know your student ID number\*
  - Upload your immunization records via PDF or picture file.

If you are having trouble figuring out your Trine login credentials, please contact our Information Technology department at help@trine.edu.

If any questions arise while using MedProctor, you can use the "Chat Now" feature in the bottom right-hand corner for assistance.

If you would like to claim an exemption from required immunizations, please fill out the exemption form located on trine.edu (Campus Life → Health and Wellness → Student Health Center) and return it to the Office of Student Affairs.



### HOUSING AND RESIDENTIAL LIFE

For more information, contact John Roop, director of housing and residential life, at jproop18@trine.edu or 260-665-4646.

### RESIDENCE LIFE MISSION AND STAFF

The Trine University Residence Life team provides a residential experience that promotes personal growth and development, social community, and support for achieving student success. Trine University's Residence Life staff is devoted to upholding the university's mission and to developing meaningful relationships with residential students.

Student Resident Directors (RD) serve as a resource for providing information, support students, supervise building operations, and provide emergency responses. Student Resident Assistants (RA) live on each floor in the residential buildings and are responsible for engaging students in campus life, social programming, enforcing community and residential standards, and building community in the residence halls. The Residence Life Office is located in the Office of Student Services in the University Center.

#### **RESIDENTIAL LIFE STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES**

University housing provides a variety of social and learning opportunities that support educational objectives and promote the overall growth and development of students. The primary challenge of living in university housing is to learn to live with other students in a diverse setting. To have a successful residential experience, respect and a commitment to certain standards and responsibilities are essential. These standards are based on respect for the rights of others. Every resident has the right to an environment conducive to academic pursuit and personal growth, the right to some measure of privacy, and the right to belong to the community. Along with these rights are responsibilities to oneself, to one's roommate, to the residents of the building, and to the other members of the university. Roommates are encouraged to communicate with each other to establish parameters regarding issues such as cleaning, sharing of belongings, guests, and any other possible areas of concern. Each room or suite is required to complete a roommate contract at the beginning of every semester. Students are responsible for personal behavior in the residential facilities and are fully accountable for their actions. All who reside on campus are responsible for knowing and adhering to our community and residential standards and guidelines as found in the student handbook.

#### HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

 Trine University students are required to live on campus. Students who are married, responsible for a dependent child, living at home with a parent or guardian (within 50 miles of Angola), or 21 years of age on or before August 1 of the upcoming academic year may be waived from this requirement.

- Students with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher who have completed 60 credit hours may be approved to move into a university-recognized fraternity/sorority house or Christian Campus House.
- A housing deposit is required before arriving on campus. After the housing deposit has been received, the student will receive an email explaining how to log into the Trine housing portal (StarRez). The housing portal will include the housing application, meal plan selections, and the room and board contract. The residential room and board contract is binding for the entire academic year and may not be broken at the end of Fall semester, unless graduating from Trine University.
- First-time students leaving **Trine University and Campus** Housing - First-time students who withdraw from the university and move out of campus housing within the first week of classes will be charged a prorated daily room and board fee. Students who leave the university and move out of campus housing within the second and third week of classes will be issued a 50% room and board refund. If a student leaves campus housing after the third week of classes, room and board charges are non-refundable. No student may move off-campus without prior written approval from the Trine Housing Department. Students who fail to obtain a proper contract release or provide false information may be required to pay room and board charges for the entire contract term and may be subject to additional actions, up to and including dismissal from Trine University.
- Students should check with Financial Aid as eligibility may be affected by moving off campus.
- Falsification of housing arrangements may lead to expulsion from the university. The on-campus portion of the Trine University Merit Scholarship will be withdrawn once the student is no longer an on-campus residential student; the academic merit portion will remain. The student is still eligible for all types of financial aid, and it is recommended that the student continue to complete the FAFSA.

#### **MEAL PLANS**

- All residential students are required to purchase a 10 or 19 meals-per-week plan provided by Bon Appetit. Trine Villas or House residents are exempt from the meal plan requirement and may choose 50 meals a semester meal plan or decline a plan altogether.
- The 10 and 19 meals per week have an additional \$75 flexible spending account per semester.
- Students commuting may choose to purchase a commuter (50 meals a semester) plan if desired.
- The last day to decrease a meal plan for a full refund is one week after the start day of classes for each semester. Students can increase a meal plan at any time after these dates; however, the cost will not be pro-rated. To change a meal plan, students must complete a meal plan request form available in student services or contact the director of housing prior to the move-in weekend.

#### **ROOMMATE(S) AND HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS**

- Students who have submitted the housing deposit (part
  of the enrollment deposit) will receive an email regarding
  the information on how to begin the housing process.
   Roommates are encouraged to communicate with each
  other to start building a relationship and to establish
  parameters regarding issues such as cleaning, sharing
  belongings, quests, etc.
- Any student's attempt to block, discourage or add undue pressure to a roommate specifically assigned to a given space will receive disciplinary sanctions.
- Housing assignments are made according to space availability and deposit date.
- In the event of a challenging situation, students may be moved into an open bed immediately. The director of housing reserves the right of room assignment and of reassignment to any available bed for the benefit of an individual student or group at any time during the semester or academic year.

#### **ROOM FURNISHINGS**

 All bedrooms are equipped with twin-XL beds, dressers, desks, chairs, and an area for hanging clothes. Miniblinds are provided in each room. All apartment living rooms and study areas are furnished. University furniture and furnishings may not be removed from students' rooms or apartments.

#### **ROOM OCCUPANCY**

• The university reserves the right to assign rooms as needed to accommodate students. Some students may end up with a single room because a roommate decided not to attend Trine University. If space is available, students in this situation may pay a single-room fee and keep the double room or agree to make the open bed available if another student needs to be assigned or reassigned to a room. All students with an open bed will be considered when assigning or reassigning another student.

#### PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE

• Trine University is not responsible for damage or loss of personal items. Many homeowner policies provide coverage for personal belongings while living on campus. Please check with your insurance agent to confirm whether personal belongings at school are covered in the unlikely event of fire, flood, water damage, theft, etc.

#### **PARKING POLICY**

 Freshmen are permitted to have vehicles on campus; however, their parking areas are restricted. All cars that park on campus are required to have a current parking decal. To register your vehicle and obtain a parking decal, go to permitsales.net/Trine.

#### STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARD

- A student ID card serves as student's meal card. Students without a student ID will not be permitted to eat in the dining room.
- At no time is a student ID to be used by another student.
- A student's first ID card is free, but \$15 will be charged for a replacement. A student must present the ID card for all academic transactions, such as registration, drop/add, to view records, etc. A student ID card also serves as a library card and meal card.
- ESA/Service animals will be assigned a Trine Identification card.

#### **SPECIAL DIET MEALS**

Special diet meals are provided by the dining services for any student on the meal plan. The dining services team is well-trained in food allergy awareness and offers a number of options for students with food allergies and celiac disease. Advance notice is requested in order to prepare the special diet meals. Please contact the director of accessibility services, Nicole Kibiloski, at 260.665.4590 or kibiloskin@trine.edu if you have special nutritional requirements.



#### SUGGESTED ITEMS TO BRING

The following are recommended items to bring with you for Trine residential living.

Pillow/mattress pad/sheets - twin XL

Blanket/comforter

Laundry bag/basket/laundry detergent/fabric softener

Flip-flops for shower/shower caddy/toiletries

Hair dryer

First aid kit/necessary medicines and prescriptions

Mugs/bowls/flatware/napkins/paper plates

Cleaning supplies including toilet/shower cleaner if

living in apartment/suite style housing

Small vacuum/broom/dustpan/trash can/bags

Extension cords/charging cords/power strip/

flashlight/phone/phone charger

Posters/decorations/sturdy key ring

Sewing kit/hangers/alarm clock/small fan

Umbrella/rain jacket/winter jacket/waterproof boots

Water bottle/school supplies/backpack/book bag

Sports equipment

### THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

Space heaters/sunlamps/air conditioners

Hot plates and other cooking equipment

Camping stoves/indoor grills/gas grills/generators

Toasters/deep fryers/rotisserie/toaster ovens/Instapots

Firearms, knives and any other weapon

Toy realistic-looking firearms/weapons/knives

Illegal drugs or narcotics

Alcohol

Fireworks/matches or lighters

Candles/electric potpourri pots/incense/candle warmers

Waterbeds

Satellite dishes/network routers

Pets (except fish; tanks must be 10 gallons or less)

Hoverboards

For more information, contact the Housing Department at housing@trine.edu or 260.665.4646.

#### Optional items to consider

Microwave (small)

Refrigerator (3.5 cu. ft. or less)

Coffee pot

Bluetooth speaker

Television

Video game console

Personal computer/laptop

**Bicycle** 

Skateboard



### OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES



For more information, contact Cassie Duran at the Office of International Services at duranc@trine.edu or 260-665-4782.

Getting adjusted to smalltown America? The Office of International Services is here to provide cultural adjustment assistance to new and current international students and scholars at Trine University. The

international population contributes global perspectives to our classrooms and our campus, which promotes the university's commitment to fostering a community of global learners. We believe a student body rich in diversity – culturally and socially – significantly contributes to a dynamic, vibrant learning community for the entire campus.

We encourage both our international and domestic students to participate in various programs that help develop cross-cultural communication skills for future opportunities. These programs include language exchange, sports intramurals and cultural events.

#### Goals:

- Help new international students get acquainted with U.S. higher education and Trine University.
- Introduce international students to campus and local resources that will help them be successful at Trine.
- Encourage new international students to get involved on campus and explore small-town America.
- Assist international students in forming new connections with their peers and mentors on campus.

#### **Immigration Services:**

The Office of International Services is available to assist you with maintaining your status; however, it is your responsibility to know the regulations. You are strongly encouraged to review the International Guidebook, which shares the U.S. immigration regulations, and regularly read your Trine email account in order to receive announcements and updates on immigration and related issues.



#### THE LIBRARY

### THE LINK: LIBRARY, INFORMATION, NETWORKING & KNOWLEDGE

#### trine.edu/library/

For more information, contact librarians@trine.edu or 260-665-4161.

#### **LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICES**

- Located in the Rick L. and Vicki L. James University Center, the LINK's Sponsel Library provides access to books, journals, and media within its physical and virtual collections.
- The LINK is open 24/7 during the academic year, except during holidays and breaks.

#### **POLICIES**

- A current student ID serves as a library borrowing card with loan and renewal periods of 60 days for books, 14 days for media, two hours for calculators, and seven days for loaner equipment.
- Borrowers are responsible for lost and damaged items.
   Any delinquencies (unreturned items, fines or fees) must be cleared prior to graduation.

#### **SERVICES & RESOURCES**

Students have access to:

- Physical and virtual collections of books, journals, and media via the Research Hub or Research Guides.
- Other collections via the Interlibrary Loan, PALShare and Reciprocal Borrowing programs.
- Additional fiction and best sellers available through OverDrive.
- Technology (laptops, cameras, camcorders, tripods, portable projectors, screens and other items) via the loaner equipment program.
- Study and meeting spaces, including seven conference/ study rooms equipped with white boards, computers and projection systems.
- Computing spaces main floor lab of 20 desktop computers with a digital classroom providing an additional 40 desktop computers; second floor contributes 11 additional desktops. The computers on the second floor are equipped with cameras.
- Printing and publishing spaces black-and-white and color printing, laminating, copying, scanning, and faxing and, for academic projects, poster/large format printing.
- Expert staff that can provide assistance in use of its facilities, resources and services. Visit our service desk on the main floor or contact any of the librarians.
- Other departmental services and resources within the shared space of the LINK include counseling services and Academic Success and Engagement.



By becoming a member of the association for only \$50, you will be showing additional commitment to your student's experience during their time at Trine University.

For more information, contact Robyn Hinman, Student Affairs Coordinator, at hinmanr@trine.edu or call 260-665-4168.

Membership in the Parent and Family Association offers many discounts and benefits for local businesses and places on campus. Every new membership receives two exclusive Trine University T-shirts, a discount card and Trine window decals. Renewed memberships receive different thank you gifts annually.

The association sponsors many events on campus during the school year, such as:

**Coffee** - Complimentary all school year in the LINK.

**Popcorn** - Complimentary all school year long at the University Center.

Bingo for Bucks - Students play bingo to win textbooks, gift cards and more.

**Friday night entertainment** - At least once a month, performances ranging from comedians and magicians to hypnotists and mentalists are scheduled.

Finals Week Stress Relievers - Massages, snacks and a variety of relaxing events.

**Concerts and special performances in the T. Furth Center** - The Parents Association helps reduce the price of tickets for students.

Join other parents in showing off their Thunder Pride by increasing their involvement for all students attending Trine University. Your membership will make a difference and help the overall experiences that Trine's Parent and Family Association can offer to the students.

### TRINE UNIVERSITY

#### REGISTRAR



For more information, contact Alison Rynearson, associate registrar, at rynearsona@trine.edu or 260-665-4290.

#### **REGISTRATION**

Full-time status for undergraduate students requires a minimum of 12 credit hours.

#### **DROP/ADD CLASSES**

- To drop or add a class, contact your academic advisor.
   If a student adds credits to a total of more than 18, the business office must approve the transaction. If a student drops below 12 credit hours, the financial aid office and the business office must approve the transaction. All classes must be dropped or added during scheduled drop/add dates. (See page 3)
- Athletes should always consider eligibility requirements when dropping classes. Students should check with their coaches or with a faculty athletic representative if they have questions.

#### **MID-TERM GRADE ESTIMATES**

Mid-term grade estimates are not part of the student's permanent record. They are mailed to first-year students and are available to all students on myPortal.

#### **GRADE REPORTS**

- Trine University operates on a 4.0 grading scale. Grade reports will be mailed to first-year students at their home addresses. Grade reports are available to all students on myPortal.
- Students must be registered for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester to be considered for dean's list or president's list recognition. A term grade-point average of 3.500–3.749 is required for the dean's list. A term grade-point average of 3.750 or higher is required for the president's list.

#### **TRANSCRIPTS**

Personal copies of the transcript are available on myPortal while a student is enrolled. Online ordering for official transcripts is available at trine.edu/transcripts. There is a \$5 fee for all official transcript copies.

#### **ADDRESS**

Students should keep all addresses current with the registrar. This includes home, local and parent addresses.

#### **WITHDRAWAL**

Students withdrawing after registering must complete a withdrawal form, which is available by contacting Deborah McHenry, the student advocate. Failure to complete the withdrawal process may result in tuition, fees and room and board being charged to the student's account.

#### **AUGUST REGISTRATION**

After Aug. 1, 2023, students will not be allowed to register for additional classes until all tuition, fees, and room and board are paid in full as verified by the business office. Additional classes will need to be paid for prior to registering.

#### **FERPA**

Trine University Notification of Rights under FERPA

The complete policy is available at trine.edu/resources/registrar/ferpa.aspx.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords eligible students certain rights with respect to their education records. (An "eligible student" under FERPA is a student who is 18 years of age or older, or who attends a postsecondary institution. At Trine, "attendance" begins on the first day of the term in which a student is enrolled.) These rights include:

- 1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day the university receives a request for access.
- The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.
- 3. The right to provide written consent before the University discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.
- 4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the university to comply with the requirements of FERPA.



#### STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Student Accounts processes tuition billing, payments, and student refunds. Please go to **trine.edu** for additional information.

#### **BILLING & DUE DATES**

 Tuition, room and board (if applicable), fees and financial aid are billed to the student account each semester.
 Bills are mailed to students each semester, prior to the due date. Any changes/updates must be viewed online.
 REVISED BILLS ARE NOT MAILED.

Trine University partners with Nelnet Campus Commerce to provide a one-stop, real-time environment for students to view their bill and/or make a payment online.

#### To view a bill/student account online through Nelnet:

myPortal → Student tab → Student Account Center →
 "View or Pay My Bill"

**NOTE:** Students can invite parents or other individuals to have access to their account or make payments on their behalf. To do so, students must click on "Add an Authorized Party" on the homepage of their Nelnet account.

### Fall bills are due August 1. Spring bills are due December 15.

To ensure a smooth move-in for fall semester and transition into spring semester, you must be sure that 1) your account is paid in full, 2) you have enough financial aid to cover the balance, or 3) you are enrolled in the Nelnet payment plan by the due date. Students will not be allowed to move into University housing with an outstanding balance. In addition, outstanding balances could result in dropped classes, loss of the right to pre-register for a subsequent semester, or dismissal from the University.

### A student's account must be paid in full to receive a diploma.

Dropping/adding courses may change the total amount due for the semester. Once students have enrolled in classes, the University assumes they are attending. Non-payment and/or non-attendance does not constitute withdrawal from classes. To officially withdraw from any or all classes, a student must notify the Registrar's Office in writing of the date on which he/she intends to withdraw (the refund schedule for tuition, room and board, etc. can be found online at trine.edu). Loss of financial aid from federal, state, or institutional sources because of failure to maintain satisfactory academic progress, withdrawal, dismissal from the University, or any other reason prior to the end of an academic semester will result in the student's obligation to pay the outstanding balance.

#### **COST OF ATTENDANCE & PAYMENT OPTIONS**

Cost of attendance can be found online at trine.edu/admission-aid/tuition-aid/investment-and-cost.aspx

Payment options can be found online at trine.edu/resources/business-office/pay-a-bill.aspx

#### **CREDIT BALANCES & REFUNDS**

Students that have a credit on their student account (due to excess financial aid, overpayment, etc.) can purchase books/required supplies at the Bookstore using that credit, by selecting "Financial Aid" as the form of payment. Those eligible to receive a refund due to a credit must submit direct deposit information on myPortal. Refunds are automatically processed within 14 days of the credit being posted.

myPortal → Student tab → Student Account Center →
Direct Deposit form → enter bank details

#### **1098-T TAX INFORMATION**

1098-T tax forms are available each year by the January 31 deadline. Forms are NOT mailed out, and must be accessed on myPortal.

myPortal → Student tab → 1098-T Form Printing

#### STUDENT ACTIVITIES



For more information, contact David Cox, director of student activities, at dlcox15@trine.edu or 260.665.4173.

Think you are going to be bored? Think again. At Trine, students will not have to look far for fun and entertainment.

- Trine's small and active campus is filled with organized activities and spontaneous opportunities for friendship, involvement and fun.
- The University Center is the hub of campus activity. Students enjoy a fun and exciting place to explore new interests, develop leadership skills and make everlasting friendships. It is also the home to Fabiani Theatre, where we host free weekend performers, such as comedians, hypnotists and magicians, for students to enjoy.
- One of the most popular activities on campus is the free intramural sports program, which offers students the chance to participate in at least two organized sports per semester.
- Trine also offers more than 70 student organizations, as well as two local sororities, two national sororities and eight national fraternities.

#### OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS



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Executive Director for Student Affairs & Student and Parent Advocate

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The Office of Student Affairs is comprised of health & wellness services, counseling services, residence life, housing, campus safety, academic support, student activities, student leadership, first-year experience, and student and parent advocacy. All offices are located in the Rick L. and Vicki L. James University Center.

#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Student Government works collaboratively with students and college administrators to create positive changes in the Trine University community.

Students involved in Student Government enhance time management, communication and organizational skills. Student leaders learn about the university, event planning, financial management, marketing and the value of teamwork in action. Students also get to play an integral role in the development of Trine University by interacting with staff, faculty, and students throughout the University.

For more information about getting involved in Student Government, please contact the Assistant Director of Student Leadership, Blake Grosse, at <a href="mailto:grosseb17@trine.edu">grosseb17@trine.edu</a> or 260.665.4147.

You can also visit Trine Student Government's official website at https://bit.ly/35BGcyK.

### **STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

#### Academic

- Accounting Club
- Air Force ROTC
- American Chemical Society (ACS)
- American Criminal Justice Association (ACJA)
- American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics (AIAA)
- American Institute of Chemical Engineering (AIChE)
- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)/Institute of Transportation Engineers
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)
- Biomedical Engineering Society
- Blackstone Club
- Computer Science Society
- Engineers Without Borders
- Finance Club
- Health Science Association
- Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- Institute of Transportation Engineers
- Maker's Club
- Math Club
- Pre-Physician Assistant Club of Trine (PPACT)
- Psychology Club
- Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE)
- Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME)
- Society of Women Engineers (SWE)
- Sport Management Club
- Student Government
- Tau Alpha Omicron American Criminal Justice Association
- Tee It Up Trine
- Trine University Future Forensic Scientists (TUFFS)
- Trine Student Marketing Association (TSMA)
- Trine University Robotics Club
- Women in Business

#### **Special Interest**

- Amateur Radio Club
- Athletes Connected
- Black Student Union
- Board Game Club
- Bridge Game Club
- Colleges Against Cancer
- Commuter Club
- Drama Club
- Dungeons & Dragons
- Friends of MSF (Doctors Without Borders)
- Genders and Sexuality Alliance Network (GSAN)
- Habitat for Humanity
- Multicultural Student Organization (MSO)
- Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC)
- Students Promoting Environmental Awareness & Knowledge (SPEAK)
- Study Abroad Club
- Trine Opt Outside

#### Religious

- Christian Campus House
- Delight Women's Ministries
- Newman Catholic Fellowship
- Trine Christian Athletes
- Trine Muslim Association

#### **Honor Societies**

- Alpha Eta Mu Beta Biomedical Engineering Honor Society
- Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society
- Chi Epsilon Civil and Environmental Engineering Honor Society
- Delta Mu Delta Business Honor Society
- Eta Kappa Nu
- National Society of Leadership and Success
- Phi Eta Sigma Freshman Honor Society

- Pi Tau Sigma Mechanical Engineering Honor Society
- Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society

#### **Club/Intramural Sports**

- Thunder Ultimate Club (Ultimate Frisbee)
- Flag Football\*
- Sand Volleyball\*
- Indoor Volleyball\*
- Basketball\*

\*Are not recognized student organizations; any student can sign up for these events as announced throughout the year.

#### **Greek Life**

- Acacia Fraternity
- Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity
- Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority
- College Panhellenic (Sorority Governing Body)
- Delta Chi Fraternity
- Gamma Phi Epsilon Sorority
- Inter-Fraternity Council (Fraternal Governing Body)
- Kappa Sigma Fraternity
- Kappa Sigma Alpha Sorority
- Order of Omega (Greek Honor Society)
- Phi Kappa Theta Fraternity
- Sigma Phi Delta Fraternity
- Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity
- Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity
- Theta Phi Alpha Sorority



### STUDENT AND PARENT ADVOCACY



For more information, contact Deborah McHenry, executive director for student affairs & student and parent advocate, at mchenryd@trine.edu or 260-665-4509.

The biggest challenge in helping students thrive is creating a community culture where students feel empowered to reach out when they need help.

Get answers to your questions, no matter the concern. In this office you can expect to be supported in a caring, committed and personalized manner. Collaborating with other campus departments and programs, the executive director will give referrals and make resources available. Our goal is to engage, encourage and empower students from their first day on campus until they graduate.

### Support services for students include, but are not limited to:

- Easing the social adjustment to college
- Special financial loan services for textbooks and personal emergencies
- One-on-one consultations when students are seeking guidance and working to resolve educational and personal challenges
- We Care Early Alert System promotes the health and safety of the entire campus and streamlines and focuses on student success and retention. Automated early alert system for students struggling academically.
- Assistance with reporting emergencies and absences
- Assistance with course withdrawals, compassionate withdrawals and medical withdrawals

### Support services for parents include, but are not limited to:

- Reporting emergencies and absences for students
- Connecting you to appropriate departments.
- · Newsletters to keep you informed
- Mid-term grade estimates online and by mail (for first-year students only)
- An authorization waiver form (requires student's signature) that allows you to request your student's academic progress

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

For more information, please visit trine.edu/IT

#### **STUDENT COMPUTERS**

- Trine University encourages students to bring their own computer, mobile and gaming devices. Technology standards and recommendations are designed to meet student needs and can be found at trine.edu/IT.
- The University's standard for new machines is Windows 10 or Mac OS 10.14. This will be suitable for general academic needs.
- trine.edu/IT has links for laptop and desktop hardware recommendations. You can purchase discounted software at trine.onthehub.com

Note: Check with your program dean and/or chair for specific computer needs.

#### **NETWORK/WIRELESS ACCESS**

- Trine University has wireless available in all residential, academic and administrative buildings. If students wish to connect a computer to the network, instructions will be available during move-in day or you can visit trine.edu/IT.
- Trine University's Wireless Networks are more secure than home and public networks. We recommend a Wi-Fi card or adapter that is "Dual Band." These can be purchased in stores or online. We recommend wired connections at all times. Gaming devices will work best on the wired network in the dorms.
- Students will be required to use up-to-date anti-virus software to access the university network and the Internet. University-recommended anti-virus software includes Symantec/Norton, McAfee, Sophos or many of the free security options like Avira or Microsoft Defender.

#### **ONLINE SERVICES**

- During orientation, students are introduced to the Trine University email system - Microsoft Outlook, which includes Office365 (including Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Publisher, Microsoft Access and OneDrive). The web-based email can be accessed from any common web browser.
- Trine University offers a student portal, myPortal, where students can check schedules, grades, student accounts and other information. The website can be accessed from any web browser at myportal.trine.edu.
- Students will also be introduced to the Learning Management System - Moodle - during orientation.
   Moodle is used to distribute syllabi, assignments and quizzes, video capture and assignments, and other information relating to a course.

#### STUDENT COMPUTER LABS

 Academic buildings throughout the campus house at least one student computer lab where computers and specialized software are available for students. The Link, Digital Classroom, and various labs around campus are accessible 24/7 during the school year. Students should check with their dean and/or chair to determine which computer labs are available and when.

#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

 If a student has any technical Issue, IT Services is a readily available resource. IT Services is located in the lower level of Best Hall. IT Services technicians are available during the school year from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. Support is available at trine.edu/IT, help@trine.edu or 260-665-4275.

#### TRANSFER CREDIT

For more information, send a message to transfer@trine.edu.

#### **HOW TO TRANSFER CREDIT TO TRINE**

An official transcript should be requested from the issuing institution and should be sent directly to **transfer@trine.edu**. An official transfer credit evaluation will be performed upon receipt of an official transcript.

#### **CLASS STANDING & TRANSFER CREDIT**

Your class standing at Trine is determined according to the number of credit hours successfully completed. Transfer credits, including non-program elective credit, count toward class standing. Your class standing is determined according to the following scale:

0-28 credits	Freshman
29-59 credits	Sophomore
60-89 credits	Junior
90+ credits	Senior

#### **WAIVING CREDIT**

If a student opts to retake a course at Trine for which he or she is eligible to receive transfer credit, then credit for the course may be waived. The credit will not count as program or non-program credit or toward class standing.

#### **CLASS REGISTRATION**

If you are registered for a Trine course for which you may receive transfer credit, please contact Renee Shipe, Director of Pathways and Evaluations, at <a href="mailto:shiper@trine.edu">shiper@trine.edu</a> or 260-665-4241 as soon as possible.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER CREDIT**

- College-level courses completed at an approved institution with a C or higher are eligible to transfer (remedial/preparatory courses are not transferable).
- Official transcripts are required to receive transfer credit for coursework earned at another institution.
   Transcripts must be submitted directly to Trine from the issuing institution. You should check with your admission counselor to verify if a transcript has been received.

- At least 30 credits must be completed at Trine to earn a bachelor's degree.
- Grades for previous coursework at other institutions will not be entered on the student's Trine record.

#### **PROGRAM CREDIT**

Equivalent courses that fulfill a specific degree requirement or general electives are shown accordingly on the transfer credit evaluation. Transfer credit is posted as semester hours. Any coursework completed under a quarter calendar is converted to semester hours.

#### **NON-PROGRAM ELECTIVES**

Non-program elective credit is awarded for courses that do not satisfy a specific degree course requirement. Although these credits do not reduce the number of credits needed to complete your degree at Trine, non-program electives count toward class standing.

#### **PROJECT LEAD THE WAY**

Trine University awards transfer credit for PLTW courses. Specific requirements and transfer of credit are determined by department.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) & INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

Generally, scores of 3, 4 or 5 on Advanced Placement exams are eligible to receive transfer credit. The School of Engineering requires a minimum score of 4 on AP Calculus exams.

Transfer credit may be awarded for International Baccalaureate Higher Level courses. Scores of 5 or higher may be eligible to receive transfer credit.



### THE TRINE FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE



For more information, contact Jeremy Howard, director of student engagement, at howardj@trine.edu or 260-665-4946.

Colleges and universities across the country have become increasingly aware of the challenges faced by today's incoming freshman students in adjusting to the academic, social, and personal demands

of transitioning to college life. In response to these concerns, Trine University created the Trine First-Year Experience program, specifically to address the needs of freshman students.

#### Highlights of this program include:

- The Academic Success Center, which serves as the principal academic advising point for a variety of students, and is headquarters for program operations ranging anywhere from academic peer tutoring services to developmental and social programming.
- IGNITE (Interacting & Gaining New Insight into the #TrineNation Experience), an educational and involvement-based program designed to be the spark in helping our freshman become engaged with campus and feel connected to their Trine University home!

Our office is committed to student success and we want you to succeed during your first year of college and beyond. If our office can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to connect with us. We can't wait to see you in the fall!

