You will be an official Oredigger this month! We know it’s been a very different summer for you and your classmates. As President Paul C. Johnson recently stated, “the road before us has its challenges, but this is a community that clips in and climbs together.” Your time at Mines is about to begin and your experiences as a student, friend, classmate and leader are going to shape your future as a successful innovator. The Mines family is here with you and for you. We can’t wait to see what your future holds.

**Helluva school. Helluva community. #HelluvaEngineer. Orediggers climb together.**

This is the final incoming student/family newsletter. We hope it’s been a helpful resource as you transition to the Mines community.

Go Orediggers!

Dale Gaubatz
Executive Director of Admissions

All incoming student/family newsletters are saved on our [Incoming Oredigger resources webpage.](#)
It's Time to Define Your Time at Mines

Top News

- Letter from President Johnson concerning BIPOC
- Arrival Resources
- Informal Parent Meet and Greet

WHEN? Sunday, August 16th from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm (open house style, drop in when convenient)
WHERE? Parfet Park (Washington and 10th Street) - look for Mines signage
WHY? To meet other parents of incoming first-year students
If interested, come find the Mines group in the park to meet other parents/families. Feel free to drop in when you'd like. Masks need to be worn and social distancing respected.

-MATH Honors Sections Cancelled

The Department of Applied Mathematics and Statistics regrets to inform you that we will not be able to offer any honors sections (of Calculus II, Calculus III or Differential Equations) for the fall 2020 semester. Due to the extra challenges associated with scheduling, rooming and staffing our in-person classes, we have decided to integrate our honors sections with their respective regular class sections. We thank all of you who responded to our earlier survey and apologize for the inconvenience this decision may cause you.

-Join the Oredigger Network, get a mentor and stand out
- Women of Aeronautics and Astronautics Info Session
Are you interested in pursuing research or a career in an aerospace related field? Do you want more networking and job opportunities in aerospace? Join us to learn about the new Women of Aeronautics and Astronautics group at Mines! There are two virtual information sessions on Thursday, August 27th which will be identical, so choose the best fit for your schedule and we will see you there!
When:

- First Session: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm MDT
- Second Session: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm MDT

Fill out this Google Form to sign up for whichever session works best for you.
WoAA Spotlight!
WoAA is also looking to spotlight the awesome research, internships and projects happening in our WoAA community. Please fill out this form to be featured!
Follow @woaamines on Instagram to learn more and get involved!

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Office of Admissions

Final, Official High School and/or College Transcripts
If you haven't done so already, please request your final, official high school and/or college transcripts and have them sent directly from your institution to Mines via the following methods:

- Electronically through SENDedu, Parchment or Naviance (preferred method).
- Postal Mail: Colorado School of Mines - Office of Admissions, 1812 Illinois Street, Golden, CO 80401.

Transcripts that are hand-delivered or not directly sent to us from the institution are considered unofficial and you will need to have them redelivered via one of the methods above.

Tuition Classification Form
If you have yet to do so, please complete and submit the Tuition Classification Form, found on your Applicant Portal. This is required for all incoming students. If you are under 23 years of age, your parent/legal guardian must assist you with completing this form.

If you have any questions about this requirement, please contact the Office of Admissions by calling 303.384.2027 or emailing admissions@mines.edu.

Mines.edu Email Account
Please start checking your @mymail.mines.edu email account. Many departments will only communicate with you via this address so we don’t want you to miss any important updates. Your Trailhead account must be activated in order to access this email address.

Photo/Multimedia Release Form
The Mines Photo/Multimedia Model Release Form is on your Applicant Portal checklist. If you haven't already, please complete this form prior to arriving on campus (it will take less than a few minutes to read, indicate your preference and sign).

Interested in Deferring?
If you would like to request a fall 2020 enrollment deferral to spring or fall 2021 semesters, please submit your Enrollment Decision Form first and then submit our Deferral Request Form. The deadline to defer is August 24,
Not Planning on Attending Mines?
If you are no longer planning on attending Mines, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing admissions@mines.edu or calling us at 303.384.2027. Please provide your name and CWID (provided in email).

Want to Chat One-on-One?
Set up a one-on-one chat with a Mines Admissions Staff member. These thirty minute sessions will answer your most pressing questions (or point you in the direction of someone who can help) as you transition to the Oredigger community. Contact admissions@mines.edu to schedule an appointment.

Online Resources

- **Accepted Student Webpage**: We are loading a bunch of videos and resources onto our accepted student webpage. Here you can find our residence hall tour video, a video about Golden and the surrounding area, newsletters, etc. Please visit this page regularly.
- **COVID-19 Webpage**: You can stay up-to-date on Colorado School of Mines’ COVID-19 announcements on this website.

Office of the Registrar

Fall 2020 schedules were released to you on July 31st and you can view your schedule of courses in Trailhead. **Before you attempt to make schedule adjustments**, please reach out to your CASA advisor.

As you begin to transition to campus and the first week of classes, please note that there is a registration check-in form that we are requiring all students to complete in order to confirm enrollment for fall 2020 courses. It will be sent via email and signs will be posted around campus. It takes under a minute to complete and is in addition to the check-ins required for new students who are living on campus and for Fall Kick Off.

Alumni Office and Foundation

Before you pack your bags and head to Golden to start the semester, join us for an Oredigger Welcome Party! Welcome Parties are organized by our alumni M Club leaders in cities around the country and are open to incoming students and their families; current students who are home for the summer; new graduates who’ve recently relocated to a new city; and of course, local alumni. It’s a great opportunity to meet other incoming students from your area and start building your local Oredigger network. Visit our website to see a list of Welcome Parties that have been scheduled so far. Be sure to check back often as parties are being scheduled/added each week. Due to COVID-19, some of this year’s parties will be hosted virtually. Whether in person or on your computer screen, we look forward to seeing you and welcoming you to the Oredigger family. Cheers to Mines!
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GET YOUR
OREDIGGER GEAR

USE CODE WELCOME20 WHEN YOU ORDER

Visit the Mines Bookstore to get your gear before the new school year!
New Student and Transition Services (NeST)

Virtual Launch
Missed one of our Virtual Launch Orientation sessions? No worries! We have added a recording of a session to our website. Visit https://www.mines.edu/new-student-transition-services/orientation/launch/ for more information and to find the link to the recording.

Fall Kickoff
Get ready for all of the fun and excitement you will have the weekend before classes start! Fall Kickoff is your student-only on-campus orientation weekend for first year and transfer undergraduate students. While an official schedule will be posted by August 11th, you can plan on events running from the evening of Thursday, August 20th through Sunday, August 23rd. Please make sure to bring your 10-pound rock from home for the M-Climb! Additionally, please note that comfortable closed toed shoes are required for the climb- no sandals allowed! We are sad to announce that the annual new student and family welcome BBQ is cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. We are also restricting the Convocation ceremony to students only. Families are invited and encouraged to watch the live stream of the event on the Mines YouTube Channel. Convocation will be August 20th at 4:00 pm.

Check-in for first-year and transfer Fall Kickoff will take place on the south Intramural Fields from 4:00-6:00 pm between Sunday, August 16th - Wednesday, August 19th and 1:00 -3:00 pm on Thursday, August 20th. Please plan to check-in for Fall Kickoff on the day you move in to your residence hall. If you are not living on campus, please stop by the south Intramural Fields at any point during the check-in times.

Office of Financial Aid
To best keep our students and families safe, the office will have adjusted availability starting this fall. Please visit our webpage for information on how our office can best assist you. Parents and family members who want to stay up to date on Financial Aid dates and deadlines should subscribe to our newsletter. We look forward to having you on campus this month!

Center for Academic Services & Advising (CASA)
The moment you have been waiting for has arrived! Your fall semester schedule is now available to you on your Trailhead account. To see your schedule, go to Trailhead - Self Service - Student - Registration - Student Detail Schedule. We encourage you to review your schedule to learn about your courses and the course modality (known as “type” in Trailhead). More information on course modalities can be found here.

After you have reviewed your schedule, you might be thinking...

- I need to change my schedule

If you need to change your schedule, please contact us through chat, phone, or email. Visit our webpage to access chat, call 720.260.4674, or email us at casa@mines.edu. Often courses are full and we want to make sure you’ll maintain a full course load if you drop a course.

- I want to update my intended major
You can email registrar@mines.edu to update your major right now, yet your schedule will not be updated on your behalf. Please contact us to ensure you’re in accurate courses for your major.

- **I want to opt-into remote learning**

If you are currently in in-person or hybrid courses and want to opt-into remote learning, please submit your preference here.

Whatever your question or concern, we’re here to help. We look forward to working with you and we wish you a great rest of your summer!

CASA

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### BlasterCard

Your BlasterCard is the official identification card for the Colorado School of Mines community and is your key to accessing services, buildings, and events on campus. The BlasterCard identifies you as a member of the Mines community and says you are part of the family.

The [BlasterCard Program](#) is part of Student Life Services and located in the Ben Parker Student Center (room E140). It is our job to issue you your first BlasterCard along with any replacements that you might need while here at Mines. We are also responsible for assisting you with problems that you might have with your BlasterCard use. You can find more information about the [BlasterCard on our website](#).

The COVID-19 crisis has caused us all to review how we go about our daily tasks and the BlasterCard Program is no exception. In an effort to ensure safety, it is now **REQUIRED** that all new students and staff members provide an electronic photo for BlasterCard production. Visit the BlasterCard website for the download process. Once you have completed this process you will receive an e-mail stating that we have your photo. After it is approved, you will receive another e-mail telling you when and how you will receive your BlasterCard.

We know this is a strange time for everyone and we will do our very best to assist you in any way we can as you prepare to begin your adventure at Mines. If you have any BlasterCard questions, please don’t hesitate to contact the Director of Campus Card Services at Rmask@mines.edu.

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### Mines Dining

**Fall semester is just around the corner and we’re excited to launch Grubhub on campus. Get set-up today!**

Order ahead from your favorite on-campus restaurants this fall with Grubhub. Skip the line with preorder/prepay with your campus card and select pickup or delivery from select on-campus dining locations.

*Download the App Today!*  
How to sign up for campus dining in the Grubhub app  
1. Download the Grubhub app & sign up  
2. Go to My Grubhub > Settings > Campus Dining  
3. Search Colorado School of Mines or use your geolocation  
4. Browse restaurants on campus - ordering available fall 2020!
Counseling Center

Announcing Mines Counseling Center Wellness Skills Seminars & Virtual Drop-In Groups for Fall 2020!

Did you know that seminars and groups provide powerful tools for personal growth and change? We are making all of our offerings virtual so you can access an on-demand introduction to each Wellness Skills Seminar, attend a live 30-minute, monthly Wellness Skills Seminar, and join a weekly drop-in group Monday – Friday. Check it out, attend with a friend or a roommate and get plugged in to maintain your wellness and emotional wellbeing while you're at Mines!

Visit COUNSELING.MINES.EDU for more information and schedule.

Weekly Virtual Drop-In Groups

- Counseling Center Office Hours
- Peer-to-Peer

Monthly Wellness Skills Seminars

- Self-Care Essentials
- The Art of De-Stressing
- Refresh Your Perspective
- Mindfulness 101
- Tackling Test Anxiety
- Coping with Grief
- Managing Screen Time
- Healthy Communication

All seminars and groups will be virtual for fall 2020 and most start the first week of classes.

"I gained significant insight from the workshop and plan to use the techniques moving forward.” – Mines student
Career Center

As you prepare to join our community, we want to update you on Career Center resources and services available to you.

**Looking for an On-Campus Job?**
Attend the Mines' Fall 2020 Student Assistant Job and Resource Fair on Tuesday, August 25th from 11:00 am-3:00 pm on DiggerNet. Over 20 Mines departments are participating and jobs include: front desk, labs, TAs/graders, events/activities, web development and more.

**Mines Career Day - Virtual**
Mark your calendar for Mines' Fall 2020 Career Fairs on a virtual platform Tuesday, September 15th, Wednesday, September 16th, and Wednesday, October 14th 10:00 am-3:00 pm each day. Students can meet and interact with hundreds of company representatives through text and video chat, so dress professionally for your camera time! Come learn about career options and potential employers who want to speak with Mines students! Workshops to prepare for the virtual Career Day event will be held during the two weeks before the events.

**On-Campus Jobs and Internships**
As soon as you receive the email, click on the link to activate your DiggerNet account and create your password. Download the free DiggerNet App for easier access. We also invite you to join us for our exciting company Information Sessions, which are an excellent way for you to learn about different industries and companies. Contact us at 303.273.3233 with any questions.

**Resume Help & Job Search Workshops**
The Career Center offers a series of professional development workshops to help you prepare for Career Day, including getting a head start on resumes, cover letters, interviewing and networking for career success. The Career Advising team has walk-in hours as well as appointments available to help you get off on the right foot during your time at Mines. To get a head start, The Mines Strategy: Engineering Your Job Search, has examples of resumes and cover letters for the job search and scholarships, interview guidance and advice, proactive job search, etc.
Student Health Center

We look forward to welcoming you here this month. The following required information was due June 30, 2020. If you have not already done so, please enter and upload all of the required information as soon as possible to avoid receiving a hold on your account. Please enter all information into the Mines Health Portal (it’s a bubble on your Trailhead main page). We may have sent you questions via secure message, so please be sure to check your Mines "mymail" email account. If you have yet to do so, please send the following required information in English, via the Mines Health Portal (it’s a bubble on your Trailhead main page).

Access complete details regarding the immunization requirements and a "how-to" guide for submitting them. If you are currently under age 18, please have your parent/guardian complete the forms for you.

Required for ALL students

- MMR: Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccines: Colorado law requires every student to submit proof of two (2) valid vaccinations for measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) given no earlier than four days before the student’s first birthday. There must be at least 28 calendar days between the two vaccinations.
- TB Screening Questions: Completion of the Tuberculosis questionnaire (Forms tab of the Health Portal) is required. In some cases, TB testing may also be indicated.
- Proof of all immunizations must be UPLOADED to the Health Portal so they may be verified.

Additional requirement if you are living on campus

- Colorado law requires all students living on campus in student housing to submit proof of a Meningitis ACWY vaccine given within the last five years, OR to sign and upload the Meningococcal waiver form. If the five-year period will expire while the student is living on campus, we recommend receiving another Meningococcal ACWY. Students will have a hold placed on their account five years after the date of the most recent Meningitis ACWY vaccine. Currently, Meningitis ACWY is required, not Meningitis B.

If you are under age 18 as of the first day of class

- Consent to Treat Minor ("Forms” tab found on the Health Portal). Please upload after completion.

Questions? Feel free to email us at shc@mines.edu or call us at 303.273.3381 - we are happy to help. If we have questions for you, we will email your @mymail.mines.edu account. We will reply to you as soon as possible. Stay well and we will see you soon!
Student Activities, Involvement & Leadership (SAIL)

It’s not too late to sign up for recruitment! This year will look a little different and both our Inter-Fraternity Council and Panhellenic Council have been working hard all summer to ensure the best experiences are safe and inclusive to all students.

Check out our website to learn more about our chapters!

Follow us on Instagram: @csmsorority & @mines.ifc

Fraternity Recruitment will be held outdoors August 28 – September 4*
Register for free
For any questions please contact the IFC Recruitment Chairman, Doyle Smith at doylesmith@mymail.mines.edu.

Panhellenic (Sorority) Recruitment will be held virtually August 27 – September 1
Register for free
For any questions please contact the Panhellenic Vice President of Recruitment, Viviana Verde at minessororityrecruitment@gmail.com.

*Due to COVID-19 being a fluid situation and the health and safety of our students being a top priority, in person events are not guaranteed and are subject to change or be cancelled. Please make sure to follow us on social media for the most up-to-date information each day of recruitment.
Sigma Lambda Beta is currently recruiting members to join the first culturally-based fraternity on campus. Learn more about the history of Sigma Lambda Beta.

If you are interested in joining and want to learn more, please contact the Fraternity & Sorority Life Coordinator Alexis Lakers at alakers@mines.edu.

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**Music and Performing Arts**

**The Mines hills are alive with the sound of music!** Using COVID safe guidelines and procedures for Performance Groups, we are planning on regular rehearsals during the Fall Semester.

If you have any questions about the guidelines or our performance groups please contact:
Dr. Robert Klimek – Program Director
Director of Bands and Choirs
rklimek@mines.edu

Professor Jonathan Cullison
Director of Jazz Bands
jculliso@mines.edu

Dr. Maggie Greenwood
Director of CSM Symphony Orchestra
mgreenwo@mines.edu

Professor Joseph Bearrs
Acting and Theatre Courses
jbearrs@mines.edu

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**Disability Support Services (DSS)**

Disability Support Services (DSS) is committed to providing equal access to university courses, programs and activities for students with a disability. If you are a student who receives accommodations in high school and/or has a need for disability accommodations at Mines, register with DSS by completing an online application.

Additional information can be found on the DSS website, or feel free to email us at disabilitysupport@mines.edu with any questions.
Student Wellness Promotion and the Title IX Office

At Colorado School of Mines, we believe in the importance of creating a safe and healthy environment for all of our community members. To that end, we have partnered with EVERFI to provide online trainings that help us all be informed on topics vital to achieving our goal.

Incoming first-year and transfer Orediggers have already received an invitation to one of these required online courses, in their Mines inbox. The second course will launch mid-August.

Questions? Email: egriffis@mines.edu or titleix@mines.edu

YOU@Mines

YOU@Mines is a comprehensive resource portal that will help you find information about anything you’re looking for in order to succeed, thrive, and matter at Mines. Questions about tutoring? Study abroad? Recreation activities? Counseling? YOU@Mines can help you get to the right place. The site also offers all sorts of additional info and videos, like how to transition to campus, tips for first-gen students and ideas for coping with this whole Coronavirus situation. Find out more through this brief virtual orientation, and sign in with your Mines login at https://you.mines.edu/.

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Mines Administrative Processing Services (MAPS)

If you plan to work on the Mines campus, the MAPS Office requires a student new hire packet (which includes an I-9, W-4, Direct Deposit form, etc.) for all newly hire students before employment begins. Please bring acceptable documents for the I-9 form and your Social Security card with you to campus.

Access the student new hire packet

Financial Aid awarded Work Study contracts are available under your Financial Aid Award on your Trailhead account. For Non-Work Study students being paid out of departmental funds, contracts/authorizations are supplied by the departments
Mines is committed to providing a fully accessible experience to all students and their families. If you’re planning to attend a forthcoming campus event and may benefit from any disability accommodation, please proactively communicate with the Office of Admissions at admissions@mines.edu. If you would like more information about Disability Support Services at Mines or the process for requesting accommodations, please visit: disabilities.mines.edu.

While Mines ABET accredited engineering degrees are not designed to lead to licensure, these degrees will meet the educational component for obtaining a Professional Engineering (PE) license in Colorado. Mines has not determined whether its degree meets specific educational requirements for professional licensure in other states. If you plan to seek professional licensure in a state other than Colorado, it is strongly recommended that you contact the appropriate licensing authority in that State for additional information.