

MAGIC (Maximizing Academic Growth In College) 2020 virtual program FAQs

1. Who coordinates the MAGIC Program?

MAGIC is one of the many student success initiative programs that is coordinated by the [Office of Cultural & Academic Transitions \(OCAT\)](#). OCAT is part of the [Division of Student Affairs & Services](#).

2. How long is the MAGIC Program?

Due to COVID 19, this traditionally one-week program will be moved to a virtual learning five week program that will meet on **Wednesdays (1:00-3:00PM and 7:00-8:00PM) starting July 15, 2020 until August 12, 2020.**

3. Do I need to attend the entire five weeks?

Yes. Students who are accepted to participate in MAGIC must commit to staying in the program the entire time period due to the comprehensive nature of the experience.

4. Can I still attend MAGIC if I have not attended MSU's New Student Orientation (NSO)?

No. All students attending MAGIC *must* attend an NSO session *before* their MAGIC week. No exceptions. Contact the NSO Office (517) 355-8490 and let them know you are attending MAGIC. They will work to adjust your NSO time.

5. Do I need to attend *both* the afternoon session (1:00-3:00PM) and the evening session (7:00-8:00PM)?

Yes. All sessions are mandatory.

6. What Does MAGIC Cost?

There is no cost to attend the MAGIC 2020 virtual program because it will be online.

7. What is the application deadline?

Applications will be accepted until spaces are filled. Don't wait!

8. What type of electronic devices/supplies will I need for the MAGIC 2020 virtual program?

Because students will be interacting with their peers and guest presenters while navigating MSU's online learning system (www.d2l.msu.edu) we prefer that students have a working laptop/desktop. Students will not be able to fully engage with this program if they rely only on their phone.

9. What if I do not have access to high speed internet?

Access to high-speed internet will be critical to complete the MAGIC 2020 virtual program successfully. However, if students do not have access to high-speed internet, we will mail out hard copies of worksheets/documents shared within the program. Please inform the OCAT staff immediately via email (ocat@msu.edu) or call (517) 353-7745 if you do not have access to high-speed internet. Please also review [MSU's "Guide to Remote Access" website](#) to assist students in accessing high-speed internet.

10. Do I need to prepare anything before the first MAGIC session?

Details about the first assignment(s) will be provided prior to the first MAGIC session.

11. Can Parents Participate?

Parents are invited to the initial Welcome session that will take place on Wednesday, July 15th (1:00—2:00PM).

12. Can anyone attend MAGIC?

Any new freshman whose have been admitted to MSU for Fall 2020 enrollment can attend MAGIC.

13. Will there be any follow up after MAGIC?

Yes! All MAGIC participants will be invited to participate in all OCAT Student Success Initiatives (SSI) throughout the 2020-2021 academic year.

14. How can I get more of my questions answered?

Contact OCAT (517) 353-7745, email ocat@msu.edu or visit: www.ocat.msu.edu