

# **PACT** **HANDBOOK**










**Idaho State University**

# WELCOME TO THE PROGRAM



Welcome to the PaCT program! This guide will provide you with the basics for getting started in the program. We are excited to be a part of your educational journey!

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# CONTACT INFORMATION



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# PROGRAM

# EXPECTATIONS

As part of the PaCT program, students are expected to:

- 1 Apply for FAFSA each year (see page 3)
- 2 Be continuously enrolled throughout the school year (fall, spring, & summer)
- 3 Cover the cost of books, praxis exams, and any course retakes
- 4 Complete the program within 6 years (16 semesters)
- 5 Remain employed as a paraprofessional with their school district during the program
- 6 Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA (see page 7 for helpful study tips!)

# APPLYING FOR FAFSA

## What is the FAFSA?

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is an application for federal student aid, including federal grants for schooling.



## When to Apply

The FAFSA opens **October 1st** and closes **June 30th** each year.

Students must apply every year!

# APPLYING FOR FAFSA

## How To Apply

You can complete your FAFSA online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)

## Need Help?

### FAFSA Information Center

- 1-800-433-3243
- Email and live chat can be found [here](#)

### ISU Financial Aid:

- (208)-282-2756
- [finaidem@isu.edu](mailto:finaidem@isu.edu)

**Pro-tip:** Contact your school district to see if there is a college readiness center that can help with your FAFSA!

# REGISTERING FOR CLASSES

## Which courses do I need to take?

You can see all required and completed courses on **DegreeWorks**. See how to access DegreeWorks [here](#).

**Be Advised!** The Kent Center identifies your required courses and creates your degree plans.



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# REGISTERING FOR CLASSES

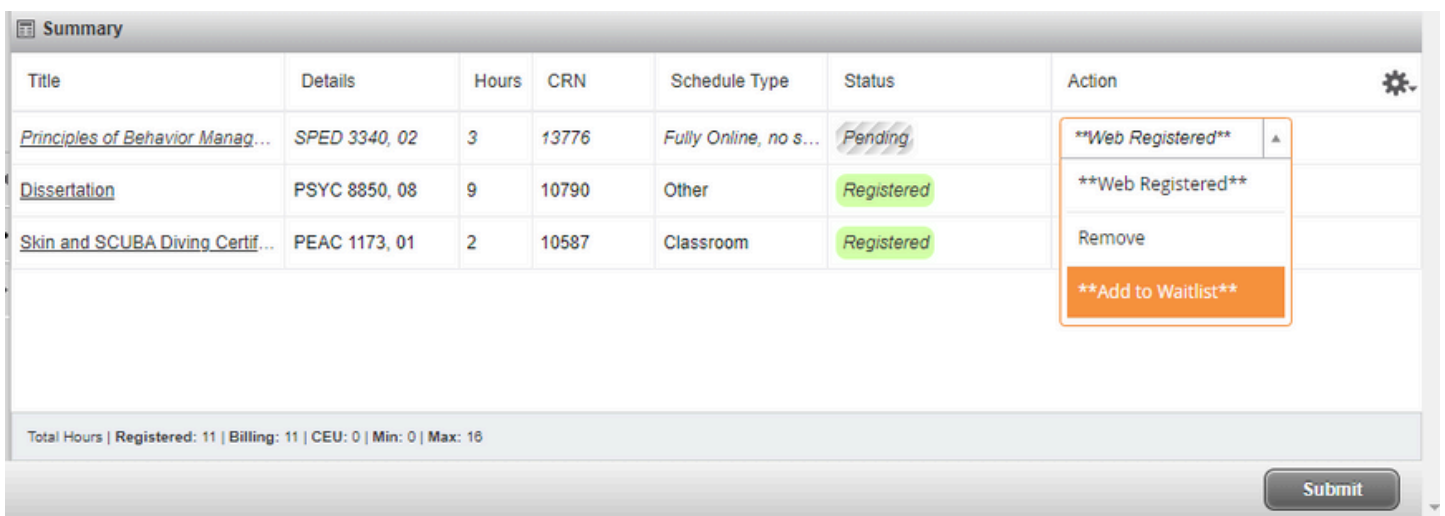
## How do I register for courses?

Course registration is completed on MyISU. Instructions for course registration can be found [here](#).

You will need to download Duo Mobile, a two-factor identification system, to access MyISU.

## What if a class I need is full?

If a class is full, you can register for the waitlist by clicking “add to waitlist” using the dropdown menu. Don’t forget to press “submit”!



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<a href="#">Dissertation</a>	PSYC 8850, 08	9	10790	Other	Registered	
<a href="#">Skin and SCUBA Diving Certif...</a>	PEAC 1173, 01	2	10587	Classroom	Registered	

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# FINDING BOOKS

## Where can I find course materials?

Course materials can be found at the University Bookstore, linked [here](#).

## Can I rent my books?

You are welcome to rent your books. If you rent a book and decide you would like to keep it, there is often an option to purchase it at the end of the semester.

**Note:** While the university bookstore will provide you with the necessary materials for your courses, you are free to search the internet for deals on books.

# ISU BOOK BUNDLE

## What is the ISU Book Bundle?

After registering for classes, the bookstore will automatically prepare rentals of your course material for pickup or delivery for a flat rate of **\$24.7 per credit hour**, as opposed to renting each book separately.



## Can I Opt Out of the Book Bundle?

If you would like to opt out of the ISU book bundle, you can do so on MyISU, linked [here](#).

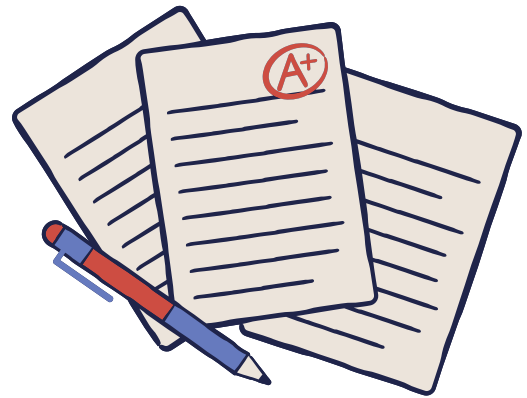
# HELPFUL STUDY TIPS

## Make the material meaningful!



Relate the information to your personal life and future career

## Test yourself!



Recall the information without the use study aids

## Don't cram before a test!



Study in shorter increments over time for better memorization (and less stress!)

## Learn what works for you!



The ISU tutoring center has resources on note taking, reading strategies, and more!

# STUDENT RESOURCES

See links below for helpful resources:

## Tutoring & Writing Center



## Counselling and Mental Health Center



## Disability Services



## Information Technology (IT)

