Student Technology Resources

**Your Pirate ID**
This is how you are identified for logging in to most computing resources at ECU. It is made up of your last name, first initial and 2 digit year of admission (ex. John Doe, admitted Fall 2012: doej12). *Your PirateID is included in your admission letter.*

**Your ECU ID**
You have been assigned a unique ECU ID (also called Banner ID) that identifies you as a student at East Carolina University. Your ECU ID will be required for identification purposes for financial aid, requesting transcripts, etc. *Your ECU ID is included in your admission letter.*

**Passphrase**
This is just a password that you set for your account.

You must register your PirateID and create your initial passphrase before accessing any electronic resources at ECU. You will be required to change your passphrase online at least once every 90 days.

- Go to [www.ecu.edu](http://www.ecu.edu) (the ECU website)
- Select the Pirate ID link on the right side of the page

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- Enter your PirateID and ECU ID, then follow the prompts to complete the process for creating the passphrase.

*Helpful hint:* Passphrases contain characters from three of the four following categories: uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers and special characters (*, #, @, etc.). Your passphrase MUST be at least eight characters in length.

**Your ECU E-Mail Account**
You are provided an ECU email account. Students are encouraged to check their email account regularly for important announcements and messages from campus. Your email address is your PirateID followed by @students.ecu.edu (ex. doej12@students.ecu.edu)

You can check your e-mail from the ECU website:
- Go to [www.ecu.edu](http://www.ecu.edu) (the ECU website)
- Select the Email link on the right side of the page to access your Piratemail account

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- Then select “Student E-mail” in the right column
- Enter Your PirateID and passphrase (password)

Or you can access e-mail directly at [https://mymail.ecu.edu/](https://mymail.ecu.edu/).

**If you forget your ECU ID**
- You can find your ECU ID on OneStop.
- Go to [www.ecu.edu](http://www.ecu.edu) (the ECU web site) and click on the OneStop link in the upper-right-hand corner
- Log in with your PirateID and Passphrase
- From the “Tools” page, select “What is My ECU (Banner) ID?” located in the Banner box

**Need Technology Help?**
The IT Student Help Desk offers technical assistance to ECU students - [http://help.ecu.edu](http://help.ecu.edu).
Phone Support: 252-328-9866; Toll Free: 1-800-340-7081
Getting Started in your Graduate Program

Online Orientation Course
Prior to the beginning of your first term, you will be added to an online orientation course that you will be able to access from Blackboard (blackboard.ecu.edu). An email from the Graduate School will be sent to your ECU email account notifying you when the online course is available to you. Please note that this is not a credit-bearing course, you will not be charged tuition for it, and it will not appear on your transcript.

Immunization Requirements
Prior to beginning of classes, students enrolled in on-campus courses are required to show proof of immunization. Immunization records are not required for online students. Please go to http://www.ecu.edu/studenthealth/ to find the Immunization and Medical Report Form. Complete and return this form, including proof of your required immunizations, as soon as possible to Student Health Services. If you have questions regarding your immunization history or requirements please contact Student Health Service at 252-328-6841 or immunizations@ecu.edu.

Health Insurance
East Carolina University students in on-campus classes are required to have health insurance. Distance Education students are not eligible to enroll in student health insurance nor are they required to waive out. If you are covered by an existing health plan, you can waive out of the plan by providing policy information from a current, valid health insurance carrier. For students without coverage from an existing health plan, you must enroll in the health policy adopted by East Carolina University. To waive or enroll, visit http://www.studentinsurance.com; select the UNC system logo, then select ECU. Please contact Student Health Services, 252-328-6841, with any questions regarding waiving and enrolling.

Registration Information
Information about Registration and Schedule changes can be found at http://www.ecu.edu/registrar. The Student menu at the top of the page contains the “General Registration Information” link where you can find detailed registration instructions. If you encounter registration errors, contact your program for assistance. Some programs prefer to register their students for courses and do not allow students to use the online registration system.

Tuition Information
Visit www.ecu.edu/cashier for information about the Cashier’s Office including Tuition and Fees and Important Information about Methods of Payment.

East Carolina University’s Electronic Billing (eBill) system is the official means of generating tuition bills to enrolled students. ECU does not mail paper bills to students. Students will receive email notifications from cashier@ecu.edu to their student email when a new billing statement is available online. Students can gain access to the eBill system through OneStop at http://onestop.ecu.edu/ and should choose the “TUITION STATEMENTS AND PAYMENTS” link on the “Tools” tab. If additional charges are incurred after an eBill statement has been generated, it is the student's responsibility to monitor their financial account through the eBill system to ensure that there are sufficient financial aid/resources and/or payment to cover all charges on account. A partial payment will not secure any of a student's class schedule. Important dates for late fees and schedule cancellations are on the University's Academic Calendar (see below).

University Calendar
View ECU’s Academic Calendars for important deadlines regarding registration and tuition payment. The calendar is available at http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/semester/fscalend.cfm, or click on the Academic Calendar link on ECU’s homepage.

FAFSA and Financial Assistance
We encourage you to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at http://www.ecu.edu/financial/. The FAFSA is used to determine eligibility for Federal Financial Aid and it is also useful to the program to determine eligibility for other forms of financial assistance such as a graduate assistantship or scholarship.

Academic Standards
In order to remain in good academic standing, graduate students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 once they have attempted* a total of 9 credit hours. They must also maintain any additional or higher academic standards established by their program of study. Students who fail to meet these criteria will be placed on academic probation, during which time they will have an opportunity to correct their academic deficiencies. The probationary period will last for the term(s) in which the next nine credit hours are attempted*. If the students are unable to raise their GPA to 3.0 or greater, they are subject to dismissal from the program. Graduate students will not be allowed to continue in their program once it becomes mathematically impossible to achieve an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 by the end of the remaining probationary period. A 3.0 GPA is required for graduation.
*Total credit hours attempted is the sum of credit hours for all graduate courses in which a graduate student is enrolled as of the tenth day of each semester (the Official University Enrollment Report Date or "Census Date"). Courses with a grade of "I" (incomplete) or dropped after census date are included in the calculation of credit hours attempted.