

# Welcome to VandalStar: Your Campus Connection

## Welcome!

We're glad you're joining our Vandal community and want to introduce you to VandalStar, your online resource for student success. It gives you easy access to your advisor, faculty, staff, and resources across campus. You can schedule appointments, connect with your personalized success network, raise your hand when you need help, and view contact information for many services on campus.

One of the best things about the University of Idaho is the people – our staff and faculty are excited to help you get connected with campus and grow throughout your academic journey! As we get closer to the start of your first semester, you'll be able to see many of these folks in your Success Network: These are YOUR people who are in your corner and here to help you succeed.

### Before you Log in to VandalStar You Must:

- ✓ Be an admitted student with a Vandal Outlook (university) email address.
- ✓ Set up Vandal login information (Username and Password) for VandalWeb. *It may take 24 hours to successfully set up your account.*



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## How To

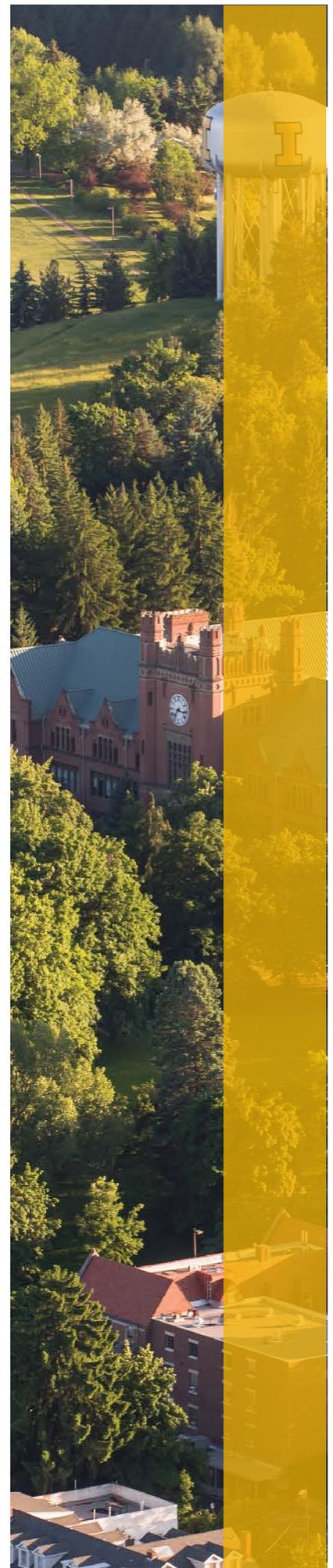
### Login to VandalStar

- Go to [vandalstar.uidaho.edu](http://vandalstar.uidaho.edu)
- Login using your Idaho username and password.

### Make an Advisor Appointment

- Access the search bar at the top of the page.
- Enter the name of your advisor in the search bar. If you're not sure who your advisor is, please email [advising@uidaho.edu](mailto:advising@uidaho.edu).
- Click on the advisor name, and then, the blue "Schedule Appointment" button. You can also find contact (email and phone) information for your advisor here.
- Pick your appointment time and add details as needed.

**TIP:** Make sure your time zone is correct in VandalStar, on your digital device, and in your university email account. If you don't have the correct time zone selected, you may miss important meetings or email notifications.



**“ I love using VandalStar! It allows me access to services whenever I need them. Not to mention—it feels great when you log-on and there is a Kudo from a professor for your progress in the course. ”**  
- CLASS, TRIO Junior Student, Madison Domka

## Best Features of VandalStar

VandalStar is your go-to place.

There are a lot of perks that are convenient and useful.

Here are students' favorites:

- **My Success Network** is absolutely the one-stop-location to find your instructors, advisors, and others with pictures and contact info. Schedule appointments from here.
- **Online Appointment Scheduling** with advisors, faculty and other support services. Save tons of back and forth email and call time. And get email confirmations and appointment reminders.
- **Raise Your Hand** is a tab you can click to request help from course instructors and advisors and request tutoring or academic coaching support, too.
- **Courses** lists your classes, your midterm and final grades, and contact info for your course instructors.
- At your fingertips is the **Services Directory** with contact information for almost all support services on campus. Search and see over 45 in this one place. It's found in your Success Network, toward the bottom.
- Orange **flags** and green **kudos** stars on your dashboard give you feedback on how you're doing in your classes. A flag means you need to take action: by talking to your course instructor, advisor, academic coach and seeking campus resources. A kudos is a personal high-five for you! You will also receive an email from your Success Network person when a flag or kudos is given to you.
- **24/7 connectivity**
- **Mobile-friendly**

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### Update Your Time Zone in VandalStar

- Login to VandalStar and select "Settings" found in the upper-left corner of your screen.
- Click your name and select "Profile."
- Locate the "Time Zone" box in the middle of the page.
- Make sure it matches your current time zone. The system defaults to Pacific Time. If this is not correct for you, click the blue drop down arrow and change it. Hit "Submit" button at bottom of page to save changes.
- Please be sure your digital device is set to your current time zone.

### Change your University Email Time Zone

- Click upper right Gear icon.
- Click "View all Outlook Settings" located at bottom of page.
- Click "General" gear icon (on left)
- Click "Current Time Zone" and select your time zone.

