

How to pay the confirmation deposit for returning students


Use these instructions:

- if you are a returning student;
- if you have a confirmation deposit hold;
- or if you are a new student and your initial confirmation deposit was rejected.

If you have a Confirmation Deposit hold or if you are a new student, please continue with your admissions tasks, including applying for on-campus housing, etc. This hold will not prevent you from continuing admissions or housing processes.



Step 1: Students log in to [Buff Portal](#) using your IdentiKey. If you need help, see [Activate My IdentiKey](#).

 University of Colorado **Boulder**example

Federated Identity Service

Log in to **Buff Portal**

IdentiKey Username (example: chbu1234)

IdentiKey Password

Log In

Advanced Settings...

[Need help logging in?](#)
Quit or close all browser windows to exit completely.
DO NOT bookmark this page! Bookmark the service homepage after logging in.



Step 2: Enter “confirmation deposit” in the Buff Portal search bar. Click **Returning Student Confirmation Deposit Payment** to open the card.

The screenshot shows the Buff Portal interface for the University of Colorado Boulder. The search bar at the top left contains the text "confirmation deposit". Below the search bar, a list of cards is displayed, with the "Returning Student Confirmation Deposit Payment" card highlighted in red. The interface also shows various other sections like "Holds & To-Do's", "Buff Portal Survey", "Class Schedule", "Your Classes", and "Grades & GPA".

Search Bar: confirmation deposit

Cards:

- Returning Student Confirmation Deposit Payment
- Education Diversity Scholars Program
- Chemistry Preparation & Placement
- University Housing
- Check Your Waitlist Position
- Student ID Number
- Counseling & Psychiatric Services
- Class Registration Guide
- Drop/Swap/Edit a Class
- Enrollment Dates
- General Academic Dates
- Placement Assessments
- Pride Office
- Search for Classes
- Term Activation
- University Office

Holds & To-Do's:

- 1 Hold
- 1 To-Do

CU Boulder Email:

Intro: Log in Information

Your CU Boulder mailhome is: Exchange

Log in to your email account with email.address@colorado.edu

Send and receive emails with email.address@colorado.edu

Log In to Exchange

About CU Boulder Email

Contact the IT Service Center

303-735-4357

oithelp@colorado.edu

IT Service Center

CU Boulder Email FAQ

Buff Portal Survey

Take the Survey

Let us know what you think about Buff Portal and enter to win one of five \$30 Amazon gift cards.

Complete the survey by 11:59PM on Friday, November 22nd to enter the random drawing to win!

Enrollment Dates

Spring 2026 Enrollment Date: November 7, 2025 9:30AM - January 5, 2026 11:59PM

Fall 2025 Enrollment Date: April 4, 2025 5:15PM - June 1, 2025 11:59PM

View Registration & Advising Card Group

Buff Info Help

Live Chat

About Buff Info Help

Contact Buff Info Help

303-492-4636

buffinfo@colorado.edu

Class Schedule

Fall 2025

Waitlisted

December 16 ~ 20

	Mon 12/16	Tue 12/17	Wed 12/18	Thu 12/19	Fri 12/20
Other					
8 AM					
9 AM					
10 AM					
11 AM					
12 PM					
1 PM					
2 PM					
3 PM					
4 PM					
5 PM					
6 PM					

Your Classes

Fall 2025

View Class Schedule

Add a Class

- ENVD 1976-800 Colloquium - Exploring Careers, Research and Practice (Seminar) Tu 3:30PM - 5:05PM
- ENVD 3939-801 Exploratory Internship (Internship) Th 5:05PM - 7:35PM
- ARCH 3114-001 History and Theory of Architecture 1 (Lecture) TuTh 9:30AM - 10:45AM
- ENVD 3252-001 Intro 3-D Modeling RHINO (Lecture) TuTh 2:00PM - 3:15PM
- REAL 2010-300E Introduction to Real Estate (Lecture) W 6:30PM - 9:15PM

Grades & GPA

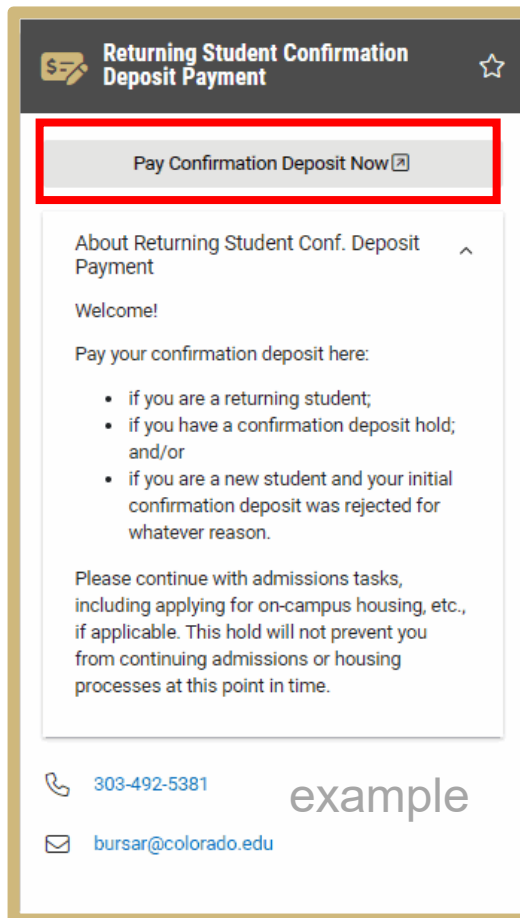
Show GPA

Undergraduate

Export to Calendar

Print/Download Class Schedule

Step 3: Click on the **Pay Confirmation Deposit Now**.



Returning Student Confirmation Deposit Payment ☆

Pay Confirmation Deposit Now ⓘ

About Returning Student Conf. Deposit Payment ^

Welcome!

Pay your confirmation deposit here:

- if you are a returning student;
- if you have a confirmation deposit hold; and/or
- if you are a new student and your initial confirmation deposit was rejected for whatever reason.

Please continue with admissions tasks, including applying for on-campus housing, etc., if applicable. This hold will not prevent you from continuing admissions or housing processes at this point in time.


☎ 303-492-5381

✉ bursar@colorado.edu

example




Step 4: Click **Pay Deposit**.

 University of Colorado Boulder

Confirmation Deposit

example

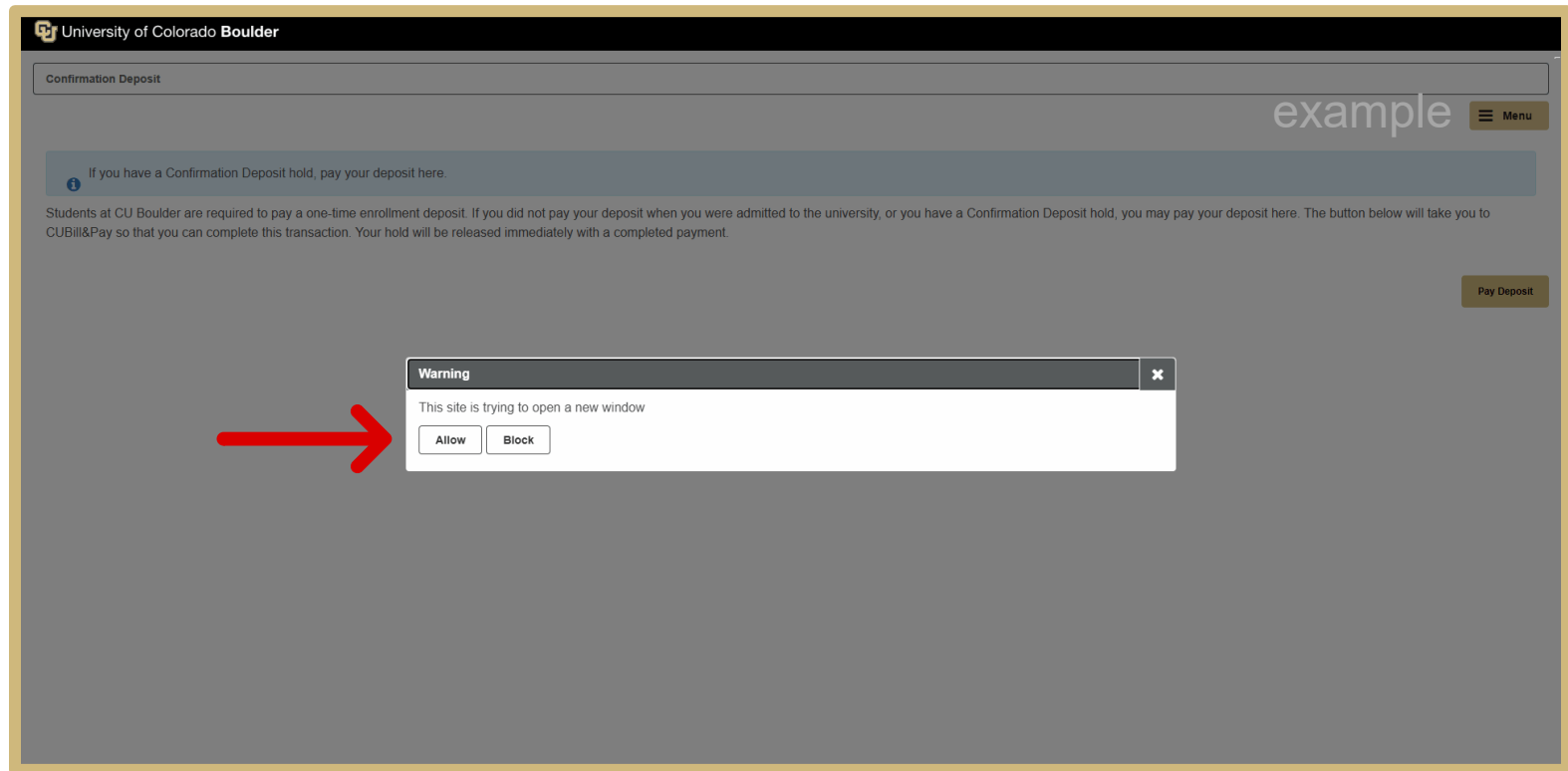
Menu

 If you have a Confirmation Deposit hold, pay your deposit here.

Students at CU Boulder are required to pay a one-time enrollment deposit. If you did not pay your deposit when you were admitted to the university, or you have a Confirmation Deposit hold, you may pay your deposit here. The button below will take you to CUBill&Pay so that you can complete this transaction. Your hold will be released immediately with a completed payment.

Pay Deposit

Step 5: Click **Allow**.



Step 6: Enter payment amount and click **Next - Payment Method**.

Make Payment

1 Payment Information

2 Payment Method

3 Payment Confirmation

Paying Boulder Deposit

Required fields are marked with an *

example

Payment Amount *

\$ 200.00

Account

Boulder Confirmation Deposits

Amount Due

\$ 200.00

Total amount to pay: \$200.00

Next - Payment Method

Step 7: Choose a payment method. *(A nonrefundable 2.85% service fee is assessed by Nelnet Campus Commerce for all debit or credit transactions. We encourage payment from a checking or savings account (eCheck) in order to save money and avoid paying the service fee charged by Nelnet. Paying with eCheck is secure, fast and free.)*

Make Payment

1 Payment Information 2 **Payment Method** 3 Payment Confirmation

Select A Payment Method example

Credit / Debit
Card transactions for University of Colorado System are processed by Nelnet Campus Commerce, USA.
+ enter credit / debit information

eCheck
+ enter eCheck information

Payment Method Disclosure:

The following service fees apply to Boulder Deposit:

- Credit / Debit Card - 2.85%

Step 8: Enter payment information for the payment method you chose and click **Submit Payment.**

If you are paying with eCheck:

Make Payment

1 Payment Information

2 Payment Method

3 Payment Confirmation

Enter ECheck Payment Information

Required fields are marked with an *

example

Bank Account Details

Account Holder Name *

Ralphie Buffalo

Account Type *

☒ Checking ☐ Savings

Routing Number *

Account Number *

Confirm Account Number *

Payment Information Recap

Contact Information

Email Address *

emailaddress@gmail.com

Add Another Email

Total Amount

Paying Boulder Deposit

\$200.00

Authorization

By checking the Authorize Payment checkbox, you authorize the Merchant, or its Agent, to initiate a debit entry to the account indicated above and to debit the same to such account. I acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my account must comply with the provisions of U.S. Law.

☒ Authorize Payment

Note: Once you submit the above payment, it will be processed on the date indicated. Should you decide to cancel the payment once submitted, you are responsible for contacting your financial institution to request a Stop Payment Order. Please be aware that the Stop Payment Order must reach your financial institution prior to your account having been debited.

Total amount to pay: \$200.00

Submit Payment for \$200.00

If you are paying with a credit or debit card:

Make Payment

1 Payment Information




2 Payment Method

3 Payment Confirmation

Enter Credit / Debit Payment Information

Required fields are marked with an *

example

Card Number *   

Confirm Card Number



Account Holder Name *

Ralphie Buffalo

Expiration Date *

09/27

Payment Method Disclosure:

Service Fee Notice

Credit and debit card payments are processed by Nelnet Campus Commerce through Nelnet Payment Services. Nelnet Campus Commerce provides third-party transaction processing services, operating under an agreement with your institution to process credit and debit card payments on your behalf.

You will be charged a Service Fee for processing your payment. This means that the Service Fee amount is calculated based on 2.85% of your total payment amount. The 2.85% Service Fee will appear as a separate item on your statement. The Service Fee is not a fee assessed by your institution. The Service Fee is not refundable, even if the payment to which it relates is cancelled, refunded, credited or charged back.

Payment Information Recap

Contact Information

Email Address *

emailaddress@gmail.com

Add Another Email

Total Amount

Paying Boulder Deposit

\$200.00

Service Fee

\$5.70

Authorization

By checking the box below, you also agree to pay the vendor-assessed non-refundable 2.85% service fee(s) explained in the Payment Method Disclosure found above.

☒ I agree to pay the 2.85% service fee(s).


Total amount to pay: \$205.70


Submit Payment for \$205.70

Step 9: Your deposit is now paid. If you paid with a credit or debit card, you will see two receipts and receive two separate emails: one for the confirmation deposit payment and one for the service fee payment.

If you are paying with eCheck:


If you are paying with a credit/debit card:

 **Payment Confirmation**
An email has been sent to Z9ZLSBLD00149@cu.edu

example 


Boulder Deposit : Payment Summary


Confirmation Number: 5001620899	Payment Date: Dec 17, 2025 at 15:18 PM, MST
Total Amount Charged: \$200.00	Effective Date: Dec 17, 2025
Payment Method: CHECKING ending with 6789	Account: Boulder Confirmation Deposits
	Amount Due \$200.00
	Payment Amount: \$200.00
	Holder's Name: Ralphie Buffalo
	Routing Number:

 Thank you for your payment.

**Separate
receipt for
service fee**




 **Payment Confirmation**
An email has been sent to Z9ZLSBLD00149@cu.edu

example 

Boulder Deposit : Payment Summary

Confirmation Number: 5001620894	Payment Date: Dec 17, 2025 at 15:14 PM, MST
Total Amount Charged: \$200.00	Effective Date: Dec 17, 2025
Payment Method: VISA ending with 1111	Account: Boulder Confirmation Deposits
	Amount Due \$200.00
	Payment Amount: \$200.00
	Cardholder's Name: Ralphie Buffalo

 Thank you for your payment.

Boulder Deposit : Service Fee

Confirmation Number: 5001620896	Payment Date: Dec 17, 2025 at 15:14 PM, MST
Total Amount Charged: \$5.70	Effective Date: Dec 17, 2025
Payment Method: VISA ending with 1111	Cardholder's Name: Ralphie Buffalo