How to Set Up Your Direct Deposit Account

Begin by accessing Self Service Direct Deposit through SharkLink:

1. Log in to SharkLink.
2. In the left Navigation column, click on “Payroll” and locate the “Helpful Links” section.
3. Click on “Direct Deposit Authorization.”

Setting up your Direct Deposit Account:

Direct Deposit will be set up independently for Accounts Payable (AP) and Payroll. When setting up direct deposit for AP you will only be permitted to list one account number. You do not have the option of directing an AP payment into multiple accounts. When setting up direct deposit for Payroll, you have the option of splitting your payroll payment into multiple accounts. The system was set up this way so that employees are able to allocate their payroll related direct deposit into up to five different accounts.

When you Log into the Direct Deposit Allocation form in SSB, you will have 3 sections listed.

1. The first section is the “Pay Distribution”. If Direct Deposit is already in place, this section will display the allocation on the most recent payroll.
2. The 2nd section is the “Proposed Pay Distribution”. If Direct Deposit is already in place, this section will automatically display the current allocation. You can add new, delete, or make changes to an existing allocation in this section.
3. The 3rd section is the “Accounts Payable Deposit”. Please note accounts payable means employee reimbursements and student refunds. If Direct Deposit it already in place for AP related payments, this section will automatically populate. You can add new or delete existing allocations in this section. Because only one account is permitted, the user will not typically need to “make changes”, they will either add new or delete DD information for AP.
The process for setting up direct deposit for AP is similar to the process for setting up direct deposit for Payroll. The instructions below are specifically for the Payroll process which allows for multiple accounts and includes Priority and Amount options. Direct deposit for AP is limited to one bank account.


2. Enter your routing information, account number & account type.

3. Priority #1 will default when you set up the first account.

4. Under amount you have three choices, you must select “Use Remaining Amount” for at least one Account. See below for important on Priority and Remaining Amount functionality.

5. Check the box to attest that you have read and understand all of the statements listed.

6. Save New Deposit. You may repeat steps 1-5 for up to five different bank accounts for Payroll related direct deposit.

After you add new banking information, you will see that the status is “PreNote”. The first payment you receive after you set up payroll direct deposit will be made via a physical check. You must validate the HR/Payroll address on file to ensure the check will be mailed to the correct address. Complete the validation by reviewing the “HR/Payroll Address” displayed in your Personal Information in SSB. If the information is incorrect, make the necessary edit to the HR/Payroll Address by selecting the “edit” button in SSB. Detailed instructions on how to edit your HR/Payroll address can be found online in the Quick Reference Guide.

After the first payroll payment is issued via check, the status will be updated to “Active” and future pays will be directly deposited into the referenced accounts.

AP payments will be automatically updated to an “Active” status the day after they are created.
After you have saved your Payroll Direct Deposit set up, you will then see your account(s) reflected under the Proposed Pay Distribution box:

Setting the “Priority” for your Payroll Direct Deposit:

The priority will determine how direct deposit will be completed, up to the maximum of your Net Pay.

When setting up multiple accounts for direct deposit, the account with the Highest priority (1 being the highest) will receive payment first. The first time you set up Direct Deposit the “Remaining amount” will be set at Priority 1. If any subsequent accounts are added, the “remaining” account will automatically have the priority changed so that it is the lowest in priority (i.e. the highest number).

A priority of 1 means that this is the first deposit that should be made. If there is pay remaining, then the system will review priority 2 to determine the 2nd deposit. This will continue as long as there is Net Pay available, with the last account being the account referenced in the “Use remaining amount” section.

For example, consider that your direct deposit is set up as follows:
- Priority 1: Percentage of 50%
- Priority 2: Specific Amount of $400
- Priority 3: Specific Amount of $50
- Priority 4: Remaining Amount

If you have a Net Pay of $1000, then 50% or $500 will go to Account 1. This leaves $500 remaining, $400 will go to Account 2, $50 will go to Account 3, and the remaining $50 will go to account 4.

However, in the above example, if have a Net Pay of $850, then 50% or $425 goes to Account 1, this leaves $425 remaining. $400 will go to Account 2, and the last $25 will go to Account 3 because that “uses” all of the Net pay, $0 will be deposited in Account #4.
Setting the “Amount” for your Payroll Direct Deposit:

Option #1: Use Remaining Amount

Every Direct Deposit must have at least one bank account set up to “Use Remaining Amount”. This is considered to be the “Primary” account for your direct deposit. If you will be setting up more than one account for direct deposit, the first one you set up should be the one that will be used as the primary/Remaining Amount account.

Option #2: Use Specific Amount

Setting up Direct Deposit to “Use Specific Amount” is optional. Selecting this option allows you to indicate a specific amount that you would like to be deposited to a specific account.

Option #3: Use Percentage

Setting up Direct Deposit to “Use Percentage” is optional. Selecting this option allows you to indicate a specific percentage of your pay distribution to be deposited to a specific account. This option can be a little misleading because the percentage is based off the total amount remaining. If you have multiple accounts using a percentage, the subsequent accounts will be based off the updated amount remaining.

For example, if you receive $1,000 on your Net Pay, and you select 25% to go to account #1, that means $250 will be allocated to Account #1, leaving $750 remaining. If you select 50% to go to Account #2, then 50% of the remaining $750 or $375 will be allocated to Account #2.

Changing the amount, percentage, or priority of your Payroll Direct Deposit:

After you set up your direct deposit, you may want to change priority, or update an amount or percentage. This is very simple. In order to do so, select the item you would like to update and make the updates.

All direct deposit set up must have at least one account set up for the remaining amount. If you are changing the priorities of your accounts, make sure that the account that will receive the Remaining is set to have the Largest number (i.e. the lowest in priority).

After the updates are made, you will need check the box at the bottom of the window to attest that you have read and understand all of the statements listed, then you will be able to save your changes.
Removing Direct Deposit

Deleting a direct deposit item is very simple. Check the box for the accounting information that you would like to delete, then click on Delete to remove the item.

When deleting a Payroll related account, remember, you must always have a direct deposit set up with Remaining as the lowest priority. If you would like to delete the account that was set up for the Remaining, then you must first change the priorities so that the account you would like to delete is no longer listed as the Remaining account.

After you select Delete you will receive a pop-up box to confirm that you would like to delete the Direct Deposit.

Email notification

When Direct Deposit information is created or deleted, you will receive an email notification to your NSU email address to alert you that changes were made to your direct deposit information.