

Take advantage of pre-registration advising!

Prepare your academic plan and a list of questions to review with your FYS instructor and your new faculty advisor in your major.

Resources

[Academic Catalog](#) Descriptions of academic departments, major/minor requirements AND descriptions of courses offered in each department.

[Major/Minor checklists](#) for abbreviated checklists of major/minor requirements. An easy way to keep track of your progress.

[ATLAS Planner](#) Choose Academic Planner (after2007) for a checklist of Common Curriculum requirements, general graduation requirements, and space to note courses that must be completed in certain semesters.

Sample advising questions

- Are there any courses that may satisfy Common Curriculum as well as major/minor requirements?
- If I am thinking of studying abroad, what kinds of classes should I plan to take then?
- Is there anything missing from my checklists?
- Is a thesis required in my major? What does this entail? When do I begin planning for it?
- Is there anything else I should know about academic planning?
- If I am still deciding between two majors, what classes must I be taking now to keep both options open? At what point will I need to be certain of my major?

Take your checklists with you to your advising appointment.

Your faculty advisor will be able to quickly see where you are in planning and working toward your degree. She/he can then offer feedback on your plan.

Things to know...

- ...at four classes per semester, you can complete 32 classes in four years.
- ...your humanities courses in the Common Curriculum must come from two different areas (history, philosophy, gender and women's studies, literature--in any language, communication).
- ...your Common Curriculum social science requirement must be met by a class *outside* your major department.
- ...questions are encouraged! That's what education is all about.