

Planning for Registration: A How-To Guide from Academic Advising

Faculty Advising

- ◆ Schedule a meeting with your faculty advisor(s).
- ◆ Prepare for registration using the links below.
- ◆ Review registration plan with your faculty advisor.
- ◆ Receive your registration PIN label from your faculty advisor, noting date & time of registration.

Follow these links to find online information.

[Major/Minor Checklists](#)

The best way to keep track of requirements in any major or minor.

[Common Curriculum](#)

This ATLAS planner page itemizes and describes Common Curriculum Requirements.

Spring courses with Common Curriculum designations will be listed on page 23 in the upcoming Class Schedule booklet.

The On-Track screen in Banner Web tracks Common Curriculum requirements completed and in-progress.

[Academic Catalog](#)

Includes descriptions of courses offered in each department—so you know what the classes are about before you register.

[Department Web Pages](#)

Often include handbooks for majors, course descriptions and information about faculty research interests.

Tips from the experts

[Aim for a combination...](#)

of major, minor and Common Curriculum courses.

[Consider balance...](#)

between odd/even days and between highly challenging and more manageable courses.

[Have a backup plan...](#)

in case first-choice classes are filled.

[Register for a full 16-18 credits...](#)

using major, minor and Common Curriculum checklists to choose classes. Consider exploring areas of interest through elective coursework.

[Keep your Registration PIN...](#)

in case you wish to change your schedule between registration and the fourth day of classes.

[Watch for Class Schedule Updates...](#)

Noting additions, cancelations and changes to spring course offerings.

Degrees may be earned upon completion of...

- the requirements for a **major**
- **Common Curriculum** requirements
- **124 credits**
- **40** of the 124 **credits in upper-division** courses (#300-399)
- **major** coursework with **GPA at or above 2.0**. (some majors require a higher GPA.)
- **All** coursework with **GPA at or above 2.0** (some majors require a higher GPA).

How much can you do in four years?

Consider that there are eight semesters in four years of college. If one completes four 4-credit courses each semester, there is "space" for **32 courses**.

Add the number of courses required for your major(s), minor(s) and Common Curriculum to determine if/how they will **fit into 8 semesters**. Take into account requirements and electives in your first semester schedule.

Note: 1) Some courses may meet multiple requirements. 2) If you expect to study abroad, plan for elective courses at that time.

_____ # of classes for major
+ _____ # of classes for minor
+ _____ # of classes for Common Curriculum

= _____ estimated number of classes required