HOW ADVISING HELPS

Students can arrange to meet with an academic advisor at the College Undergraduate Office in Room 265 of the Arts Building. Usually you must make an appointment to meet with an advisor. You’ll need to call 966-4231 (option 2) or stop by the Undergraduate Office to set up a time to see them. There is no general guideline for how far in advance to do this - it all depends on the academic year. Sometimes you may be able to see an advisor quickly, while other times you may have to wait several days.

Academic advising can help you:

- choose the right classes;
- sort out your options and the possible consequences of your choices;
- find ways to determine your interests;
- find out about majors;
- understand College policies and procedures and how they affect you;
- head in the right direction for things like counselling, financial aid, and career planning.

Planning for your future academic career

PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

Beginning in March and ending in April of each year the College strongly encourages you to consult with a member of the faculty, or in some cases with an administrative advisor, in the department of your major to plan your courses for the next year of study. This might also be an opportunity for you to obtain advice on the selection of elective courses that will complement your major, and to ask about careers and graduate work in the area.

Some departments require students to request permission prior to registration in some of their senior level courses. This permission process begins during the department advising session and must be completed prior to the end of the academic year in April.

It is strongly recommended that you meet with an advisor in the department of your major during the March and April advising period. If you do not take advantage of this opportunity and leave the planning until July, you may be disappointed to find that an appointment cannot be made prior to your initial access date for registration and/or prior to the first day of class.