ACADEMICS AND ADVISING AT IU BLOOMINGTON

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Today’s Presentation:

- Academic structure of IU
- Importance of exploration
- Academic advising & career counseling
- Overview of degree requirements
- What happens today and tomorrow
- Preparing for advising and registration tomorrow
University Division is the first academic home for most incoming students.

ADMISSION TO IUB

UNIVERSITY DIVISION

COLLEGE OR SCHOOL

GRADUATION
University Division’s PURPOSE

University Division emphasizes:
- Exploration
- Individualized planning
- Multidisciplinary degrees
- Integrated academic & career exploration
- Integrated academic & career planning
The importance of **EXPLORATION**

- **Make informed decisions**
  - IUB offers 180 undergraduate majors & 330 degree programs
  - What do students need to know to find the right fit?

- **Prepare for the future not the past**
  - The first job out of college, on average, lasts 12 to 24 months!
  - Some careers our May graduates are entering did not exist 4 years ago.

- **A multidisciplinary approach is best**
  - Combine multiple majors & minors
  - A narrow preparation limits your options
Articulate your VIPS:
- Values
- Interests
- Personality
- Skills

VIPS help you make informed decisions about both your major & career.
The importance of ACADEMIC ADVISING

Major ≠ Career
- Planning and preparation lead to a career or graduate program.

Individual advising is key
- How do you choose from among hundreds of majors & thousands of courses?
- How do you put the pieces together into a personal plan?

Integrate academic & career exploration
- Refining academic interests will help refine career interests, and refining career interests will help refine the academic program a student pursues.
EXPLORATORY MAJORS

- Exploratory means a student has not yet selected a major

- Most students are (or become) exploratory
  - 20 - 25% of freshmen begin college as exploratory or undecided
  - 50 - 60% of freshmen who enter with a declared major change their major at least once
General Education requirements

Foundations
   English Composition (EC)  0-3 cr
   Mathematical Modeling (MM)  3-4 cr

Breadth of Inquiry
   Arts and Humanities (A&H)  6 cr
   Social and Historical (S&H)  6 cr
   Natural and Mathematical Sciences (N&M)  5-6 cr
      One course must be Natural Science

World Languages and Cultures (WLC)  0-14 cr
   Language, World Culture courses, or International experience
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Tomorrow: New Student Orientation

• Meet individually with an academic advisor (students only)
• Plan a program of study & prepare an action plan for the fall
• Register for the fall
Selecting COURSES

- Students need to be intentional
- Review the First Steps on the UD website at ud.indiana.edu
- Look at Explore Majors, Minors, and Certificates to find majors and minors of interest
- View General Education requirements & link to course lists at Choose Your Courses
- Use https://one.iu.edu/task/iu/search-courses to view course descriptions
Help available tonight

6:30-8:30 PM Union Street Center
- Cedar Hall 107

- Students can ask questions about how to prepare for advising
- Use a computer to find lists of courses and read course descriptions
- Expand course selections and action plans for fall and list them in iGPS Planner
What to expect in the FALL

- Students receive their advisor assignment via email in early August
- Students should check IU e-mail every week
- Required meeting with their advisor
  - August 21
  - (A-L)9:00-10:00 or (M-Z)10:30-11:30 AM
Post-Graduate Success = INVOLVEMENT

Academics:
- Attend class
- Participate
- Meet professors
- Meet with advisor twice each term
- Ask questions
- Study Abroad & Undergraduate Research

Campus Life:
- Volunteer
- Join clubs
- Rush Greek organizations
- Participate in club sports
- Take part in student government
Post-Graduate Success = EXPERIENCE

Ways to get experience:

- Part-time jobs
- Externships
- Volunteer
- Internships
- Study abroad
- Specialized courses

Employers made full-time offers to 65% of their interns*

*National Association of Colleges & Employers
1. Know Yourself
   - What’s important to you? (values)
   - What do you like? (interests)
   - How do you see the world? (personality)
   - What are you good at? (skills)

2. Research Careers
   - Websites/eBooks
   - Informational Interviewing
   - Job Shadowing
   - Professional Associations
   - Career Events
3. Try Out a Career
- Internships
- Job Shadowing
- Volunteering
- Part-Time Jobs
- Clubs/Activities
- Service-Learning Classes
- Building a Network
- Career Events

4. Job Search
- Finding Opportunities
- Career Fairs & Events
- Resume/Cover Letter
- Interviewing
- Applying to Graduate School
- Building a Network
- Job Offer Negotiation
IMPORTANT DATES

Part-Time Jobs Fair:
Friday, August 21

Student Involvement Fair:
Wednesday, September 2

Fall Career & Internship Fair:
Thursday, September 17

Majors & More Fair:
Tuesday, September 29
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