Thinking of changing or declaring your major?

Tips for deciding and changing your major:

- Before deciding on your major, make sure to do some research on potential career paths. Career Services (ELCM) is a great place to explore your options and meet with a career counselor to brainstorm. The website for Academic Advisement (Academic & Student Development) has a list of all the current majors Millersville offers with links to curriculum sheets. Be sure to check out these resources while exploring majors! You can always meet with someone in Academic & Student Development to explore options as well.

- Meet with the department chair of your intended major in order to discuss the requirements, future career paths, and advisement for your new major.

- Complete the Academic Major form. This form is available online or in the Academic & Student Development office, located on the 2nd floor of Lyle Hall. The form requires the signatures of your current adviser and the new major department chair. After the form is completed, please submit the form to the Academic & Student development office.

Change of Major or Minor deadline is October 7!

Make sure to have your form completed and submitted to be in time for registration!

Mark Your Calendar

Sept 21: Winter Schedule available online
Sept 23: Carnival of Majors (SMC MPR, 12-2pm)
Oct 7: Change of Major/Minor deadline
Spring Schedule available online
Winter Registration begins
Oct 13: TAP numbers available
Oct 16-21: Fall Break

Oct 30: Last day to withdraw from a course and receive a W grade (Registrar’s Office)
Nov 5-13: Undergraduate early registration for Spring 2016. Check Registrar’s website for registration schedule date and time
Nov 24 - 30: Thanksgiving Break
Dec 7: Summer 2016 Schedule available
Dec 8-12: Finals and evaluation period
Dec 13: End of Fall 2014, Commencement
“When educating the minds of our youth, we must not forget to educate their hearts.”

- Dalai Lama

Improve your grades in one semester!

We hope all students start off on the right foot at MU, but we understand some might struggle a bit when they begin their college career as a Marauder. If you find yourself in this boat, we’re here to help you! Trying to improve your GPA may seem daunting. We’ve compiled a list of “success practices” that you should honestly work towards incorporating into your academic life.

Here are a few ways you can start off this new semester right and get your grades back on track... the road to success!!

**Attend every class**
Even if your professor doesn’t take attendance it is important to go to *every single class*. Your professor may give helpful information you won’t find in the book or may highlight important information for the test that might not stand out if you only rely on reading the book. It is also important to consider that your professor is a lot more likely to want to help you when class gets tough if they know you have showed up regularly and given the class your full effort!

**Start studying early**
Next time you know a test is coming up, try studying early, maybe a week in advance. If you do this you can break the content up into smaller pieces and do a little each day. Not only will this make you less stressed, it will help you know the information better then cramming. Don’t forget to review the information more than once. Repetition will make the information easier to recall during your exam.

**Set aside study time in your schedule**
You know you have to study for the upcoming test, but when will it fit into your busy days? Taking some time to sit down and plan specific times to study will ensure that you give yourself enough time to study. Plus as an added bonus if you know when you need to study you can better plan out when you are free to participate in fun activities too!

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**Make time for yourself**
Doing all the difficult stuff you need to do doesn’t seem as bad when you have fun things or rest time to look forward to. When making your schedule for the week, don’t forget to set aside rest and relaxation time!

Who We Are

The Department of Academic & Student Development, located on the 2nd floor of Lyle Hall, coordinates services for all students in conjunction with academic departments such as change of majors, minors, and advisers, and provides advisement for students who have not yet declared an academic major in collaboration with the Exploratory advisers. The office has a comprehensive website at www.millersville.edu/advisement . The Exploratory Program also has a website which includes relevant information for the undecided student at www.millersville.edu/undprgm .