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## Ladies and Gentlemen, step right up and find the major or minor you have been searching for!

**Who:** The Office of Academic Advisement is sponsoring the CARNIVAL OF MAJORS.

**What:** CARNIVAL OF MAJORS---an event where representatives from major departments come out to give students invaluable information on majors. Faculty members will be on hand to facilitate student questions.

**When:** Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11am-1pm

**Where:** Student Memorial Center (SMC)  
Multipurpose room

**Why:** To help you to find the major of your dreams!



Popcorn and cotton candy will be provided! Don't miss your chance to win cool prizes in our drawing!

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## Mark Your Calendar

**Feb 28<sup>th</sup> to March 8<sup>th</sup>:** Spring Break

**March 9<sup>th</sup>:** Fall 2009 class schedules available to view online

**March 11<sup>th</sup>:** Last day to submit and Academic Major or Minor form to have the changes in effect for Fall 09 Registration

**March 16<sup>th</sup>:** Tap #'s available. Must meet with current major adviser

**March 18<sup>th</sup>:** Carnival of Majors (see above)

**March 24<sup>th</sup>:** Summer undergraduate registration begins

**March 27<sup>th</sup>:** Last day to withdraw from a course

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>:** Undergraduate registration for Fall 2009 semester. Check registrar's website for complete schedule

**April 27<sup>th</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>:** Finals and evaluation period

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>:** End of Spring 2009 term: Commencement

# Ask An Advisor



**Question:** "All of my requirements are done but my DARS says I still need more credits. Can I still graduate?"  
-Anxious Senior

**Answer:** No, you cannot graduate yet because you still need to meet the 120 total credit requirement. This is one of the most overlooked requirements, and is necessary to receive your degree. Although you met all of your requirements for both your major and general education (as well as a minor, where applicable), you are still re-

quired to meet the minimum number of credits overall. The total number of credits you need varies depending on your major, but for most majors the minimum number of total credits you need to graduate is 120. In order to meet graduation requirements you may need to take a few elective courses to reach the 120 minimum credits necessary.

If you notice that after you complete major and general education requirements you still need a number of credits, it is wise to declare a minor. Minors allow students to have

an additional concentration in an area that may complement the major. A minor could also simply be a topic of interest. However, it should be noted that the minor usually may not be from your major department (for possible major/minor combinations, please contact the Office of Academic Advisement). Either way, students may find having additional courses outside the major and general education blocks going towards one ultimate goal (a minor) is better than simply taking random elective courses.

"What we  
learn with  
pleasure we  
never forget."

Alfred

Mercier

If you have any advisement questions, you can email us at [adviser@millersville.edu](mailto:adviser@millersville.edu). We will answer your questions directly, and possibly feature it in an upcoming issue. You can also stop by our office on the 2nd floor in Lyle Hall. For specific and in depth questions, you will need to schedule an appointment with us by dialing x3257, or you will need to meet with your assigned adviser.

## Scheduling Your Time

### Long Term Schedule

In your planner, write the dates and times for all of your exams, assignments, papers, meetings and major events for the entire semester. Keeping all of these dates accessible will increase the likelihood that you will remember them and prepare in advance.

### Intermediate Schedule

Construct a short and specific list of assignments, projects and other chores that you want to accomplish during the week, and cross off each item upon completion. Create a new list each week.

### Short-term Schedule

The day before, write out a list of what you want to accomplish the next day on an index card. Be as specific possible, including times that you will work on each item. Carry this card with you and cross out activities as they are accomplished.

It is OK if you cannot stick to your plan exactly. However, creating a schedule as a reference and reminder will help you focus and manage your time more efficiently. For greater efficiency, it is often wise to use a combination of these methods, or all three!

## Who We Are

The Office of Academic Advisement, located on the 2nd floor 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](http://www.millersville.edu/~advisement). The exploratory program also has a website which includes relevant information for the undecided student at [www.millersville.edu/~undprgm](http://www.millersville.edu/~undprgm).

