

Advising Syllabus for First Year Students / Fall 2020

Your role:

1. To reflect often on your skills, interests, values, and limitations
2. To set short-term educational and long-term career goals
3. To develop an educational plan that is consistent with your skills, interests, values and goals
4. To make decisions including those on which courses to take, your major, and whether or not to change your major
5. To continuously explore, read, ask about, and understand policies and procedures, resources, and programs at Notre Dame
6. To evaluate your progress toward your educational plans and goals and adjust when necessary

My role:

1. To assist you in understanding and accepting your skills, interests, values, and limitations
2. To assist you in considering your goals by relating your interests, skills, and values to your education and choice of major(s), to careers and the world of work.
3. To assist you with developing an educational plan including the explanation of courses and curriculums, how they fit with your goals, and explaining the registration process
4. To provide information (pros and cons) and resources that will assist you with making decisions
5. To refer you to resources, support services, departments and programs and to provide accurate information regarding policies and procedures at Notre Dame
6. To assist you in evaluating your progress toward your educational plans and goals and make suggestions/recommendations for adjustments when needed.

For our Meetings

1. Prepare to actively discuss your thoughts and ideas regarding your major(s)/program, curriculum, study abroad plans, extracurricular activities, service activities and anything else on your mind.
2. Bring lots of questions.
3. My role is to assist you to develop skills and tools to be an independent, successful, responsible, engaged, and happy student who will flourish as you navigate through your academic experience here at Notre Dame.

Plan to Meet

1. During the summer in a one-on-one session to prepare your fall semester schedule
2. During Welcome Week in a group session to introduce you to academics at Notre Dame
3. During early fall semester in a one-on-one meeting to discuss your transition to Notre Dame
4. During November to prepare to register for spring semester courses
5. During early spring semester to discuss plans for your sophomore year and to declare your college.
6. And anytime you want to talk or have questions

*As your Academic Advisor, I am here to assist you with your transition to university life,
but this is YOUR education and YOU are ultimately responsible for your own SUCCESS!*