



Advisers — every freshman has one! Your assigned academic adviser is your “go to” for questions or concerns, and to help you navigate college, courses, involvement and being successful. Advisers support, guide and make recommendations for your success.

Additionally, they work with undecided or re-deciding students as they choose a major and investigate career options.

WHAT DO ACADEMIC ADVISERS DO?

Here are a few of the ways your academic adviser can help in your first year:

- Understand OU majors, degree and general education requirements
- Explain how to use advising tools, including degree works, the undergraduate catalog, sample schedules and degree plans of study
- Discuss academic progress
- Connect you to campus resources and academic support
- Discover ways to get involved
- Answer questions regarding transferring college credit or AP/IB/CLEP scores
- Recommend courses for your schedule
- Assist with your major choice and career exploration
- Help you navigate OU policies and procedures
- Assist students with academic difficulty, including support with faculty feedback and academic probation status

WHAT IS THE STUDENT'S ROLE?

- Schedule and attend your **required advising appointments** (see appointment schedule on back)
- Complete any tasks discussed with your adviser and keep them updated on your progress
- Work with Student Financial Services to understand requirements for any scholarships, grants, loans, or other aid you may receive
- Let your adviser know about any previous credit earned, such as AP, IB, CLEP, dual enrollment, or early college
- Register and make adjustments to your schedule in MySAIL after consulting with your adviser
- Contact your adviser with any questions or concerns — **when in doubt, reach out!**



FALL APPOINTMENT

Complete between September 19 and December 1, 2018

We'll discuss your transition to OU, including:

- Major and degree requirements
- Involvement and campus resources
- Career and major exploration
- Review winter schedule
- Questions or concerns you bring

WINTER APPOINTMENT

Complete between January 18 and March 15, 2019

We'll discuss your second year plan, including:

- Progress to degree
- Plan courses for sophomore year
- Major selection (if undecided)
- Advising in your second year
- Questions or concerns you bring

Note: Your assigned adviser's direct contact information is located in folder

FALL 2018 SEMESTER IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Schedule
September 4, 2018	Orientation Part Two
September 5, 2018	Classes begin
September 11, 2018	Last day to add a course without instructor permission
September 18, 2018	Last day to drop with 100% tuition refund
November 7, 2018	Last day to withdraw ("W" grade)
December 22, 2018	Holiday recess begins, University closed

WINTER 2019 SEMESTER IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Schedule
January 3, 2019	Classes begin
January 9, 2019	Last day to add a course without instructor permission
January 17, 2019	Last day to drop with 100% tuition refund
February 18-22, 2019	Winter recess
March 3, 2019	Last day to withdraw ("W" grade)

FYAC Chat

An interactive chat session for quick questions led by trained student leaders, who can also help schedule your advising appointment.

Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
oakland.edu/fyac/chat



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