

Cross-College Advising Service (CCAS) University of Wisconsin-Madison

Fall 2011 Advising Syllabus

For appointments in all locations
(608) 265-5460

Find us at:

Our [main office](#): 10 Ingraham Hall, 8:00a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

Or online at www.ccas.wisc.edu

In [The Exploration Center for Majors & Careers \(EC\)](#): 6 Ingraham Hall, (608) 265-4497;
9:00am-5:00pm Monday-Thursday; (9:00-4:00 on Fri)

OR at one of our many locations:

[CCAS@ Residence Hall offices:](#)

11:00-6:00 Monday-Thursday and 11:00-2:00 Fridays

@Chadbourne Residential College, Room 101B

@Ogg Hall, Room 1116, also serving Smith Hall

@Sellery Hall, Room 23

@Witte Hall, Room 117/118

@110 Holt Commons (Lower Franks), serving the Lakeshore area

[CCAS @College Library](#)

5:00-9:00 p.m Monday-Thursday

1st floor, College Library

FIRST-SEMESTER GOALS

By meeting with your CCAS advisor, you can:

- Begin to explore your academic and career interests
- Clarify your personal values, especially as they relate to academic and career choices
- Assess your skills and strengths
- Make sound decisions regarding campus choices
- Learn to use campus resources
- Gain competence in college-level academic work
- Prepare to register for your spring semester courses

FIRST-SEMESTER SUCCESS

CCAS advisors want to help make your first semester at UW-Madison a success. A successful first semester might be characterized by:

- Gaining competence in college-level academic work
- Using UW-Madison or other resources to help you achieve your goals
- Developing a sense of personal potential and personal direction
- Taking responsibility for choices you make as a student and member of the University community

STRATEGIC EXPLORATION

You may hear your CCAS advisor talk about strategic exploration. Simply put, we hope to encourage students to be intentional in their course selection so that they are able to explore majors and interests while fulfilling degree requirements. Through this process, you will be able to narrow your academic focus and choose a major and coursework that best fits your academic and career goals.

CCAS ADVISING PHILOSOPHY

At CCAS, our role is to help you find the information, self-knowledge, and experiences that will move your life in the directions you choose. CCAS advisors will not "prescribe" answers or programs to you. We encourage you to find academic areas that you enjoy and do well in. Extracurricular experiences are integral to career and academic development, and we encourage you to seek opportunities outside the classroom. We believe academic advising is a collaborative process, and ultimately, you – the student – are responsible for your educational experience.

Sept 1	CCAS Freshman Orientation
Sept 2 thru 14	Walk-in advising available for quick questions daily in 10 Ingraham Hall, College Library, and residence halls. (CRC 9-6 daily [5 on Fri] thru the 16th)
Sept 2	Ogg Open House 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Sept 6	Sellery Open House 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Sept 6	Witte Open House 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Sept 7	UW-Madison Occupational Therapy Info Session, 4:45 p.m., 3130 Med Sciences (repeated same time/location Sept 19, Oct 13[@ noon], Nov 14)
Sept 8	Witte Open House , 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Sept 12	Lakeshore office Open House Part I, 3:00-6:00 p.m., Holt Commons
Sept 13	Ogg Open House 4:00-7:00 p.m.
Sept 14	1st Drop Deadline
Sept 14	Student Organization Fair, 5:00 p.m., The Kohl Center
Sept 15	Lakeshore office Open House Part II, 3:00-6:00 p.m., Holt Commons
Sept 15	Career and Internship Fair, 4:30-8:00 p.m., Kohl Center
Sept 16	Add Deadline (last day to add a class without permission)
Sept 16	Meet the ECON major, 11:00-2:00, 8417 Social Sciences
Now is a great time to come in and check in with your advisor about settling in on campus, exploring majors, and academic support services.	
Sept 19	Language Learning Strategies, noon-1:00, 254 Van Hise Hall
Sept 21	Study Abroad Fair, 4:00-7:00 p.m., Varsity Hall, Union South
Sept 25	Wisconsin Science Festival, all day, Wisconsin Institutes for Discovery
Sept 29	Exploration Center Open House , 11:00-2:00, Room 6 Ingraham Hall
October	October is Advising Month! If you haven't already, schedule an advising appointment to check in with your advisor and plan for spring.
Check in with your advisor around this time to discuss academic progress, ideas for spring, study abroad, research opportunities and student organizations.	
Oct 20	UW Madison Physician Assistant Info Session, Noon-1:00, 1309 Health Sciences Learning Center (repeated same time/location Nov 17, Dec 15)
Oct 26	MAJORS FAIR! Meet 100+ depts. and programs. 3:00-5:30, Varsity Hall, U. South
Oct 27	An Evening with Sonia Nazario, Big READ author, 7:00 p.m., Varsity Hall, U. South
Oct 28	Law School Caravan, 11:00-3:00, Varsity Hall, Union South
Nov 5	DROP DEADLINE (Seek advising prior to this date for help with your decision.)
Check in with your advisor about planning for spring, reviewing the semester, and discussing possible majors.	
Nov/Dec	Online enrollment for spring classes
Nov 26	Withdrawal Deadline (Seek advising prior to this date if considering withdrawal)

SAFE ZONE: CCAS advisors actively create an open, respectful, and supportive environment for all people. We serve students of all abilities, sexual orientations, genders, races, cultures, and socio-economic statuses.