

ACADEMIC ADVICE

Wayne State College Advising Newsletter

Fall 2003

THINGS TO DO NOW

1. Pick up a class schedule from an academic building, the Records & Registration Office or the Counseling Center. **Signs will be posted when schedules are available.**
2. Make an appointment with your advisor.
3. Plan classes for spring.
4. Discuss your choices with your advisor.
5. Register for classes according to the time schedule listed in WebCat. **Registration begins 11-17-03.**

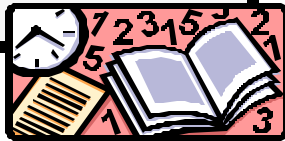


REGISTRATION REMINDER

WebCat online registration begins November 17, 2003 and will remain open through January 16, 2004. Check the class schedule booklet for the earliest date you can register based on your current classification. Start on the WSC Home Page. Click on E-Campus and then on WebCat.

What is Academic Advising?

Academic Advising is a process through which advisors assist students in developing life plans and career goals and in clarifying institutional requirements, policies, procedures, resources and educational options.



ADVISING NOTES

1. Remember to check your e-mail for important messages from your advisor. You can check your e-mail on your personal computer, in the Student Center game room, or use the computers in the Library. Update your e-mail address in WebCat.
2. Mid-term low grade reports were sent to you on October 27th. Contact your advisor to discuss mid-term low grades.
3. Do you have a major? Check the Academic Web Pages for information on a particular major, minor or endorsement. The links can be found on the WSC Home Page at www.wsc.edu or call 375-7557 for assistance.

Suggestions from the Records & Registration Office

1. Log in to your WebCat online account and verify your personal information. Notify the appropriate office if changes need to be made.
2. When planning classes, select alternatives that are new classes, not just different sections of the same classes. Call numbers found in the first column of the schedule booklet are required in online registration.
3. PIN's cannot be given out over the phone. Students must bring their picture ID to the Records & Registration Office or request that their PIN be mailed.
4. Remember, students need to obtain Department Chair and Instructor signatures to enroll in closed classes. Faculty signatures alone are not sufficient to enroll in a closed class.
5. Reminder to veterans and students in the military-- you do not need to take PED 103 & 203.
6. If you have questions about your academic progress, please check with your assigned advisor.
7. Has your academic advisor "released" you for web registration?
8. **Athletes & Veterans:** Enrollment must be in applicable courses in order to meet eligibility requirements; check with appropriate personnel before repeating previously passed courses to retain athletic eligibility or veterans' benefits.

ONLINE ADVISING

What is online advising and does Wayne State College offer that service to students? Yes, Wayne State College has many advising resources available on the Academic Advising website and there is online advising available for distance education students and others. Students can send a question via the online advisor and either get a direct answer or the question will be referred to the department that is most knowledgeable about that program of study. Check out the advising website and look under the quick links for the online advisor at:

http://www.wsc.edu/student/services/advising_center/

ACADEMIC NEWS

School of Arts and Humanities

Language and Literature Department:

The Department of Language and Literature invites you to consider the many opportunities we offer for career enhancement and pre-professional preparation. Our English majors not only prepare you for a wide variety of careers in teaching, editing, publishing, and marketing, but also serve as a wonderful foundation for advanced study in Law, Public Administration, and many other fields. Our Modern Language programs enhance your marketability with other majors (e.g. Business, Counseling) and also prepare you for a rewarding career in teaching, government service, or international business. When the Spring Bulletin comes out, watch for courses with prefixes ENG, FRE, GER, PHI, and SPA. Come and check us out in the Humanities Building (2nd floor), or call 402 375-7103 for more information.

Music Department:

Attention Musicians! Are you undeclared? The demand for music teachers is higher than it has been for many years.

Non-Music Majors! Students need not be music majors in order to be a part of the Music Department. If you have always wanted to learn music, we also offer private lessons for non-majors in voice, piano, or almost any other instrument. If you sing or play an instrument, you are welcome to join one of our many ensembles, including band, choir and string ensemble. Contact the Music Department for more information.

School of Business and Technology

Business and Economics Department:

Consider a major in Business Administration or Economics! Management, marketing, finance, accounting, economics—all have enormous impact on our quality of life, here in northeast Nebraska and throughout the world! You CAN get there from here—whether you wish to “stay local” or “go global”. WSC Business and Economics students are employed nation-wide, with world-wide impact. Consider this major. You may discover you have talents and skills that can be utilized in your community. The ideas you learn in these courses could help you make a difference in the world! See Dr. Waddington or any faculty member in Gardner Hall for more information.

Computer Technology & Information Systems Department:

CIS students under WSC catalogs prior to the 2003-2004 catalog should take the CIS 496 Networking Theory and Practice Class to take the place of the CIS 470 class in their old programs, unless they are planning on pursuing Cisco certification and taking multiple networking courses. Students needing CIS 346 Intro to MVS/JCL and/or CIS 350 CICS Application Programming should plan to take the courses in Spring 2004 if they have met the prerequisites by that time. The popular computing elective CIS 356 Visual Basic will be offered in Spring Semester 2004. Sign up as early as possible as this class fills quickly.

Technology and Applied Sciences Department:

Now is the time for you to consider a major in the Technology and Applied Sciences Department. Current demand for graduates from several areas of concentration are exceeding available supply. The Technology and Applied Sciences Department enjoys top quality facilities, equipment and a caring and committed faculty who put students first. The Industrial Technology programs were revised and updated just last year with a new concentration in Safety Management now available. Both Family and Consumer Sciences and Industrial Technology programs offer introductory courses that you might try to “look us over” and “try us out” to see if one of the many programs and majors we offer is “right” for you!!

School of Natural and Social Sciences

Health, Human Performance, and Sport Department:

New major offered:

As of the fall 2003 semester, the Department of Health, Human Performance, and Sport has a new opportunity for current and prospective students. The major is **Applied Human and Sport Physiology**. The major provides students with a variety of educational experiences in applied human and sport physiology, physical science, and physical rehabilitation. The program of study is designed to prepare students for graduate study/careers in athletic training, exercise physiology, biomechanics, kinesiology, cardiac rehabilitation, and through advisement may provide an alternate route into allied health professional schools. This major also provides strong training for individuals who wish to work in health and fitness related professions. If you have questions or desire further information please visit the departmental web page online at <http://academic.wsc.edu/nss/hhps/> or give us a call at 402 375-7301.

School of Education and Counseling

Special Education and Counseling Department:

The Human Service Counseling major helps prepare students for employment in the helping professions, including health and human service agencies, child protective services, alcohol and drug treatment services, family support services, domestic abuse services, corrections facilities, services for developmentally disabled, and educational and rehabilitation programs for youth. The major includes learning the knowledge base of Counseling, Psychology, and Sociology and also emphasizes the development of skills and personal characteristics that will be needed in a career in counseling. The major includes very practical experiences in community agencies from the first course, CSL 202, to the last course, Internship in a counseling agency.

Attention - Students in the School of Education and Counseling: You must take the PPST exam. All Education majors must pass three subtests (Reading, Writing and Math) of the PPST. Counseling majors must pass the writing test. Contact the Counseling Center at 402 375-7321 for more information or register directly by calling the Sylvan Center (1-800-853-6773).