



The College of the Arts and Communication

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Advisement

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Sample List of Questions or Prompts

These are questions you should ask your advisor:

1. How many credits do I need to graduate for my intended major?¹
2. How many **earned credits** do I have toward graduation?
(completed courses with a passing grade)
3. How many **credits** do I have **in progress**? (courses taking in the current semester)
4. What is my anticipated date of graduation based upon the number of credits I usually take?
5. Can I graduate sooner if I take summer (*max 14 credits*) and winter (*max 3 credits*) session courses?
6. With my current GPA, can I handle a shortened semester (*summer*) or online (*winter*) course?
7. What requirements do I still need to take?
 - UCC Yes No
 - Major/Minor Yes No
 - Writing Intensive Yes No
 - Technology Intensive Yes No
 - Foreign Language Yes No
8. Am I taking a good balance of UCC and major/minor courses?
 Yes No

9. I am a (freshman/sophomore/junior/senior). With _____ (#)credits, what are some issues I should I be thinking about?

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¹ Undergraduate degrees require the completion of a least 120 credits and excludes Foundations Courses e.g., BRI 1080, ENG 1080, MATH 1060. Some majors require more than 120 credits.

Freshman (0 - 30 credits)

1. Have you declared a major/minor? Yes No

Major: _____

Minor: _____

2. Have you completed UCC Areas 1-3? Yes No
Area 1? Yes No

Course(s):

_____ Area 2? Yes No

Course(s):

_____ Area 3? Yes No

Course(s):

3. What is the Repeat Course Policy?

4. What is the Pass/Fail Option Policy?

5. What are the consequences if I were to fail WPU1010/ First Year Experience Seminar twice?

6. What is the University's Probation Policy?

7. Where do I go for assistance with résumé and job search?

8. Can I be a Visiting Student?² Yes No

Possible Schools

² Students can take courses at community colleges until they earn 60 credits. Students can take courses at four-year college until they earn 90 credits. The final 30 credits must be completed at WPUNJ.

Sophomores (30.5 - 60 credits)

1. Is your Foreign Language Requirement in progress?

Yes No

2. Are you taking major foundation courses (*1000 and 2000 level courses*)?

Yes No

3. Have you taken at least two (2) Writing Intensive (WI) courses?

Yes No

4. Is your GPA internship ready?

Yes No

Current GPA: Overall: _____ Major: _____

5. Can I be a Visiting Student? Yes No

Possible School(s)

Notes:

Juniors (60.5 - 90 credits)

1. Have you taken UCC Areas 4 and 5 courses?

Area 4 course(s) _____

Area 5 course(s) _____

2. Are your Major foundation courses complete and upper level courses in progress?

Yes No

3. Have you taken a 3rd Writing Intensive course; and 1-2 Technology Intensive courses?

WI course _____

TI course _____

4. Do you have Internship(s) applications in progress?

Yes No

5. Are your Minor courses in progress?

Yes No

Minor Area of Study _____

6. Are you considering Study Abroad?

Yes No

Options: _____

7. Can I be a Visiting Student? Yes No

Notes:

Seniors (90.5 - 120 credits)

1. Have you taken UCC Area 6 course(s)?

Course(s) _____

2. Is your Foreign Language requirement complete?

Yes No

Language Courses: _____

Department Test: Yes No *CLEP Exam:* Yes No

3. Have you begun preparation for Capstone?

Yes No

4. Have you taken your Final Writing Intensive course? Are your Tech Intensive courses complete?

Yes No

5. How many of your Requirements are marked "**MET**"?

6. Have you completed you Minor courses?

Yes No

7. Have you Applied for graduation ?

Yes No

Date: _____ Result: _____

8. Have you requested a final degree evaluation?

Yes No

9. What other types of courses can I look into to help me finish my degree?

- a. Internships (Internal or External)
- b. Independent Studies
- c. Study Abroad

Notes:

Transfer Students and Other Considerations

Transfer Students

1. What is a good plan for getting all of my course requirements completed within two years?
 - (WI 3000+; FL; major/minor requirements; totaling 120 credits?)

2. I have transferred into WP with an AA or AS.³ Yes No

3. I have transferred into WP without an AA or AS.⁴ Yes No

Other Considerations

1. 60 credit limitation (Community College courses)
2. 90 credit limitation (attend 4-year colleges)
3. Last 30 credits on campus
4. Second Major
5. Minors

Notes:

³ Under the 2008 NJ legislation, students entering WPUNJ with an AA and AS degree can waive the UCC requirement (except one 3000 level WI course and the Foreign Language requirement).

⁴ Students with an AAS or AAA or transferring from a community college outside of New Jersey must follow the UCC.

A Few More Sample Questions

1. Is there anyone else in my major department I should be speaking to about career plans?

2. Is there any other department on campus that I should be in contact with?

- Disability Services
- Health and Wellness Center
- Career Development
- Gloria S. Williams Advisement Center (change of major/minor, curriculum sheets, in between majors information)
- Study Abroad
- Scholarships
- Tutoring Services e.g., Center for Academic Support, Science Enrichment Center, Writing Center

Notes:

Semester: _____

Advisor Name: _____

Appointment Date: _____

Pin #: _____

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