

ACADEMIC ADVISING

Partnering with students to successfully navigate college

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Connect With Your Advisor

Current UCCS Students

- Appointments: www.uccs.edu/advising/current-students

- Drop In Advising: Most Wednesdays, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Prospective Students: www.uccs.edu/admissions/contact

GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Major Requirements			
Undecided Major (36-48 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most LAS majors require between 36-48 credit hours of departmental course work with a minimum of 18 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) course work. • Fill in courses you would like to use to explore a possible major. 			

HOW TO SELECT A MAJOR

Make an appointment to meet with the Undecided Advisor (Main Hall 2nd floor, 719-255-3260) to:

- Identify your interests and talents, and how that fits within your long-term goals
- Use your elective and Explore courses to test your interest in subjects that you might major in
- Look over the Advising Guides for several majors, specifically at prerequisite courses and admissions requirements.
<http://www.uccs.edu/advising/majors-and-minors.html>

Explore your interests and complete a Personality Assessment or a Career Interest Inventory at the Career Center - www.uccs.edu/career

- **Attend the Majors and Minors Fair every Fall semester**
- **Join a student club or organization in an area of your interest:** <http://sl.uccs.edu/>
- **Network with the experts!** Talk with people in that job, talk with faculty about their fields, read occupational profiles, and talk with students in that major to gain insight on a major of interest.
- **Employers like to see experiences because they demonstrate commitment and risk-taking.** Get involved by studying abroad, gaining student employment, having an internship, volunteering, job shadowing, or getting involved in a campus student organization
- **Search the department's website.** They have the most up-to-date information about that major, and even some stories from alumni about what they are doing with their major of choice.
- **Consider partnering up with a Mentor to support and help you explore different academic majors, career options and professional fields**
- **Review all courses through the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs Course Catalog**
Visit catalog.uccs.edu for descriptions of majors, academic requirements and course descriptions
- **Explore career, internship and volunteer opportunities!**
Check out Clyde's Careers <https://www.myinterfase.com/uccs/Account/LogOn?ReturnUrl=%2fuccs%2fstudent%2f>

General Education and Elective Requirements

Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio 	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Area Requirements (27 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course <p>NOTE: Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>	
Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>	
Compass Curriculum (12 hours)	Component	Course
	Gateway	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)
	Summit	Major Specific
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit
Inclusiveness	See Degree Audit	
Sustainability	See Degree Audit	
General Electives (27-30 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
	Year One		ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course
		INDS 1050 or MATH 1040	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		GPS 1010	3		General Elective	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		General Elective	3
		Major exploration course	3		Major exploration course	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15
Year Two						
Year Three						
Year Four						