



Some FAQs About Your Academic Program In Your First Semester At Dominican

This place changes people.

Q. How will my classes be chosen?

- A.** Professional advisors in the Academic Advising and Support Center will use information you provide on the enclosed First Semester Pre-Registration form to create your schedule. Some of the considerations we will use are
- the requirements for your major, if you have chosen one;
 - your placement scores;
 - your preferences regarding your First-Year Foundations and other coursework;
 - your participation in Vision Quest, Honors, or other special programs;
 - AP, IB, or other college-level credits you may have earned; and
 - time constraints you may have, such as athletics, commute, and work schedules.

Q. What kinds of classes will I be taking?

- A.** Classes during the first semester will typically include both institutional requirements (General Education, or GE) and major requirements, if you have chosen a major. Here is a sample first semester at Dominican:

First-Year Foundations (GE)	2-4 units
GE Writing Course (or prerequisite)	3 units
GE Math Course (or prerequisite)	3-4 units
Introductory Course in your Major (or GE requirement, such as a Social Science or Art, for Undeclared students)	3 units
<i>Possibly another course in your major or GE</i>	<i>3 units</i>
Typical Load	14-17 units

Q. How will my AP, IB, or college units be applied?

- A.** On the enclosed First Semester Pre-Registration form, you will be asked to let us know about those previous college-level experiences. You may not know your exam scores or final grades yet, but when we receive those transcripts during the summer, we will adjust your schedule if necessary.

Q. How will I plan my future semesters?

- A.** Beginning in October you will be asked to meet with your academic advisor (a faculty or staff member of your major department, or an academic advisor in the Academic Advising and Support Center) to develop your schedule for the Spring 2008 semester, in order to be ready for Priority Registration, November 12-16. The relationship with your academic advisor is one of the most important connections you will make during your time at Dominican. You can do your part to make it a productive relationship by referring to the *2006-2008 Catalog* to learn about your GE and major requirements, by keeping your appointment (or extending the courtesy of a call to reschedule if you can't make it), and by preparing a tentative schedule to bring to your advising appointment. In return, you can expect your advisor to be reasonably available to you by phone, e-mail, or appointment; to be knowledgeable about institutional and major requirements; to make referrals to other services and offices as appropriate; and to have genuine interest in you as an individual.

Academic Majors At Dominican

- Art
- Art History
- Biological Sciences with concentrations in Environmental Studies, Molecular Cell Biology, Ecology, and General Biology
- Business Administration, with concentrations in Accounting, Finance, International Business, Management, Management Information Systems, and Marketing
- Communications, with concentrations in Print Media, Broadcast Media, and Cinema
- Dance (LINES/Dominican)
- English
- English with Writing Emphasis
- Graphic Art & Design
- Health Science (Pre-OT)
- History
- Humanities & Cultural Studies
- Interdisciplinary Majors
- International Studies
- Liberal Studies/Teacher Education
- Music
- Music with Concentration in Performance
- Nursing
- Politics
- Psychology
- Religion
- Women & Gender Studies