Transfer Student Orientation

Welcome to the University of Pittsburgh’s Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences!
Welcome to the Advising Center

The Advising Center:
✓ Consists of 25 full-time academic advisors, a Director, Assistant Director, and three support staff.

✓ Serves students Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Advisors:
✓ Assist students in defining career goals, making academic plans, and addressing any academic problems or difficulties.

✓ Inform students of rules, regulations, procedures, majors, programs, and course offerings, as well as campus-wide sources of support and information.

✓ Meet individually with students at least once per term for one-on-one advising.

We look forward to meeting you, helping you discover and/or refine your goals, and working with you as you journey toward your future.
Undergraduate Schools at The University of Pittsburgh

Liberal Arts/General Studies

- Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences
- College of General Studies

Professional Schools

- College of Business Administration
- School of Education
- School of Engineering
- School of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences
- School of Information Sciences
- School of Nursing
- School of Pharmacy
- School of Social Work
Every student is expected to complete a minimum of:

• 120 units/credits

Those 120 credits will be comprised of:

• General Education Requirements
• Major Requirements
• Related Area Requirements
• Electives

The overall GPA must be:

• 2.0 Minimum
Every student must:

1. Complete the requirements of a major of their choice

2. Complete the requirements for **ONE** of the following:
   - A Related Area (12 units/credits in any one Arts and Sciences department)
   - A Minor (15-19 units/credits)
   - A Certificate (18-24 units/credits)

Be sure to get more information about the Majors, Minors and Certificates.
Choosing Courses

The Course Descriptions Web page is the best tool you can use to find courses that are being offered and what they are all about.

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Dietrich School students:
New Courses
Courses Recently Approved to Meet Requirements
Changes in Majors
Changes in Minors
New Majors

Search by Dietrich School requirement:

General Education Requirements
G - Seminar in Composition

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The University's Writing and Mathematical Proficiency placement tests may determine the need for basic skills courses.

Basic Skills
I - Workshop in Composition

2144  2147  2151

CGS students:
See courses that satisfy CGS requirements

You can search by requirement using the drop down box and selecting the correct term code.

Visit the page now and try it out for yourself!
Preparing For Your Appointment

Before you arrive for your advising appointment be sure you:

✓ Have completed any necessary placement exams
✓ Have reviewed the Course Descriptions Web page (instructions on previous slides)
✓ Have reviewed requirements for your intended major, minor and/or certificate

Things to bring to your advising appointment:

✓ A list of any coursework in progress
✓ Your username and password for my.pitt.edu
  • You can contact the Help Desk if you have questions about this.
✓ AP and/or IB credit reports
✓ A list of courses that interest you
After You Register...

✓ Check out these additional resources:
  • Panther Central (housing, transportation, ID, meal plans, etc.)
  • Financial Aid
  • Commuter Students
Once You Get To Campus…

There are a lot of people on campus that are here to help you in many different ways!

**Academic Resource Center (ARC)**—The ARC provides study skill workshops and tutoring. The staff members can assist you with academic development and guide you to academic success. **The Writing Center** and **Math Assistance Center (MAC)** also offer valuable support.

**Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR)**—The Office of Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity connects Dietrich School undergraduates with **opportunities** to earn credits outside the classroom by engaging in research activities that are directly tied to current coursework.

**Career Development Office (CDO)**—The CDO will guide you in making important decisions about your future. The career consultants there will work with you in all stages of career development.
**Student Health Services (SHS) —** The medical staff at SHS are committed to helping you maintain overall wellness. They provide medical care and offer programs to promote personal health.

**University Counseling Center —** The Counseling Center provides personal and academic counseling to nearly 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students. The Center is staffed by psychologists, counselors, social workers, a psychiatrist, and pre-doctoral interns, and the services rendered to students are free and confidential.

**Commuter Student Programs —** This office provides support and assistance for students commuting to campus from outside the Oakland area. They strive to enhance the collegiate experience for all commuting students.
Congratulations!

You have reached the end of our Transfer Student Orientation.

Please complete the Transfer Student Survey. The survey should take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

Upon completion of the survey you will be given instructions on how you may make an Academic Advising appointment.