

BEING "MAJOR READY"

Being major ready means that you have chosen an educational pathway that aligns with your values, interests, career goals and aptitude. It also means that you know your top choice university and major admission requirements and have incorporated them into a Degree Plan. When you enter the 4-year school, you will be prepared to start courses in your major at the junior level. Not being major ready can cause you to spend more time and money to bring you to the junior level in your major.

We are here to help! Answer the questions below. Look for patterns in your responses that will help you identify your best fit; then make an appointment to speak with your Primary Educational Planner to discuss your findings and come up with a plan.

TIPS FOR CHOOSING A MAJOR:

Choosing a major does not require committing to a specific career. Knowing yourself and your long and short-term goals can help you narrow your focus.

Know your interests

- Which classes do you really enjoy?
- What do you like to do outside of school?
- Do you like working: alone, with people, on computers, outdoors, with numbers, etc.?

Know your values

- What classes do you value?
- What is important to you in the workplace: money, making a difference in community, working with others, etc.?

Know your abilities

- Which classes do you do really well in?
- What skills have you used in your job?
- What skills or talents would you like to develop?

Know your resources

- Research colleges and universities
- Attend transfer workshops or schedule a campus visit at your prospective universities
- Create an academic plan with an advisor or counselor and check in quarterly

