

The background of the slide is a vibrant orange-tinted photograph of a large group of students cheering enthusiastically. Many students are wearing yellow t-shirts with the Aggie logo and the text "LET'S GO AGS!". Several students have their arms raised in the air, some pointing upwards. The overall atmosphere is one of excitement and school spirit.

Fall 2021

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Agenda

Tip: Write down your questions. We will open Q&A at the end of the presentation.

Your question may be answered in the content of the presentation :)

Advising

- What is Academic Advising
- Where to Get Advice

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- Key terms
- How to Build a Fall Schedule
- Placement Exams
- AP, IB, and A-levels
- Prerequisites
- Registration Checklist

Fall Quarter

- How to Meet with An Advisor
- Mandatory Advising
- Campus Ready Plans

Q&A

- Frequently asked questions & Scenarios
- **Live:** Answering Your Questions



What is Academic Advising?

Your International Academic Advisors

Who We Are

A team of professional academic advisors who will assist you in navigating your degree requirements and planning for your future.

Where We Are Located

200 Social Sciences and Humanities Building
[Campus Map](#)

Office Hours: 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm

How We Communicate

Check your UCD email regularly!

[OASIS](#) online portal also contains important academic & advising information.



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Your Advising Network

Decentralized Advising

You will have more than one advisor to assist you in planning for your degree.

- Different locations
- Different roles
- Same goal



Friends & Family

How to Navigate Your Network

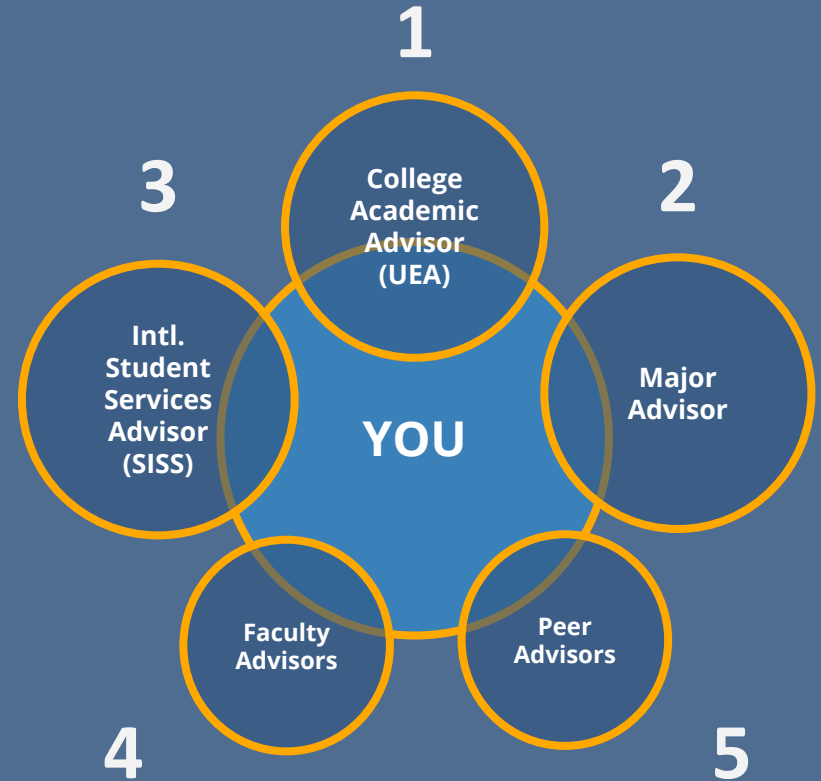
- 1**
- Degree requirements for the College and University
 - Concerns about your grade(s)
 - Academic planning (for non-major courses)

- 2**
- Major requirements
 - Tutoring for major courses
 - Questions about major courses

- 3**
- Questions about visa requirements (e.g. I-20)
 - Curricular Practical Training (CPT)
 - Optional Practical Training (OPT)

- 4**
- How to get involved in research
 - Questions about studying at the graduate level

- 5**
- How to get involved in your major department
 - Basic academic planning



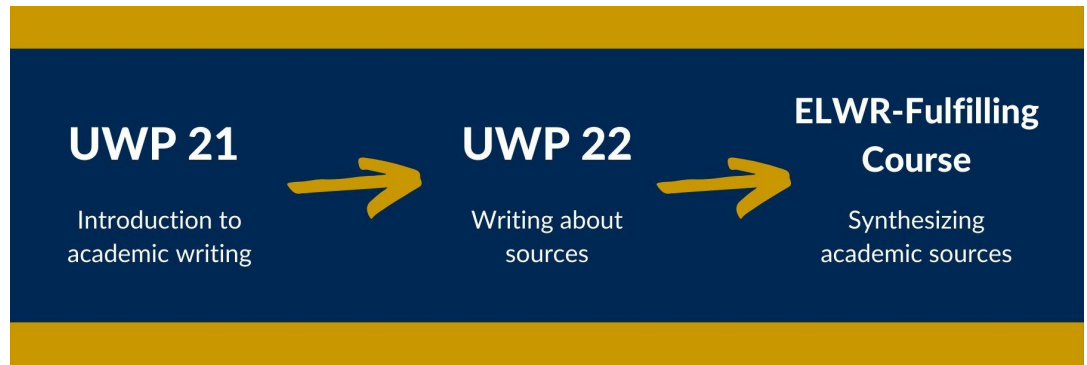


Preparing for Registration

Entry Level Writing Placement Exam

UC Davis Writing Placement replaces the Analytical Writing Placement Exam (AWPE) and the ELPE (English Language Placement Exam) for the 2021-2022 academic year and is the only opportunity for Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) fulfillment outside of coursework. Students can only complete UC Davis Writing Placement once.

<https://elw.ucdavis.edu/multilingual-students>



Multilingual

UWP 7M has the same learning outcomes as UWP 7 and also counts for graduation units. This course is best if you want a bit more support related to English language and vocabulary.

Mainstream

UWP 7 is best if you would like a class that counts for graduation units but don't feel ready to take an accelerated course.

WLD 57 offers 4.5 workload units rather than graduation units. This might be right if you'd rather not count this class toward your GPA.

Accelerated

There are 3 courses in this option: **UWP 1A**, **ENL 3A**, and **NAS 5A**. These 2-unit courses are taken in the same quarter as a 4-unit parent course (UWP 1, ENL 3, NAS 5), so you need to take 6 units of writing at once.

Prerequisite Petitions for Entry-Level Writing Courses

Important Note:

Hopefully you have
already completed UC
Davis Writing Placement

If you have not
completed the
placement please
contact:

elw@ucdavis.edu

Schedule Builder does not have access to your Writing Placement 2020. You may see the following message appear when you try to add the course to your schedule:

Our records indicate you have not completed the prerequisite requirement below:

- UWP 021

Please refer to the course details from the class search results or the [general catalog](#) for the complete restrictions on this course. The prerequisites listed here are only course based requirements.

If you believe the prerequisite(s) for this course have been satisfied and still want to enroll in the course, you must submit a petition to the instructor of the course for review.

[Click here](#) to view your prerequisite petition.

You must submit a **Prerequisite Petition** in order to remain registered in the course.

Example “I completed the UC Davis Writing Placement and placed into UWP 22”

Recommendations for Building Your Schedule

Example outline of classes for Fall Quarter schedule:

UWP or ELWR Course (4 units)

Major Course (4 units)

GE course (4 units)

First Year Seminar (1 unit)

Total Units: 13

1. Add your ELWR course (UWP 21, 22, or 7m)
2. Add 1 or 2 major lower-division major course(s)
 - a. If you plan to change your major or you are not sure what major you want, see the next 2 slides.
3. Add 1 or 2 General Education (GE) courses and/or First-Year Seminars
 - a. List of GE requirements: <https://ge.ucdavis.edu/requirements>
4. Review total number of units - *make sure it is between 12-15 units.*
 - a. Note: Workload (WLD) units are counted towards your quarter units
5. Check your saved schedule for the following:
 - a. Make sure all courses are lower-division
 - b. If you enrolled in an online course (designated with a “V”; example: CMN 003V), make sure are enrolled in at least 9 units of in-person courses (hybrid courses, designated by a “Y” do not count as online units. They can be used as in-person course units)
 - c. Make sure there are no time conflicts between classes
 - d. Make sure you meet the prerequisite(s) for the course(s)

Choosing Courses

How do I choose my courses if I want to change my major?

Step 1

Look up courses for your major using the **First Quarter Major Guides on our website** or review the department website.

Step 2

Add 1 to 2 lower-division courses for your intended major to your schedule.

Note: If the course(s) you try to add have a major restriction, you will need to wait until Pass 2 to register for the course. In the meantime, find another major class or GE to add to your schedule.

Step 3

Meet with the advisor in your **intended** major in the Fall Quarter to learn about how to change your major

Choosing Courses

*How do I choose my courses if I am **undeclared** major or am not sure what major I want to pursue?*

Step 1

Complete the **Major Exploration Tool** and/or **Majors Card Sort** to see what major(s) may be of interest to you.

Step 2

Add 1-2 lower division classes that are introductory courses for the major(s) you want to explore.

- Exploring different classes is OK. You can earn GE credit!
- If you are trying to decide on a *Math or Science major*, you should add a math course to your schedule. Make sure you meet the requirements for the class you register for.

Add our First Year Aggie Connection course for student exploring majors: **LTS 002**

Step 3

Meet with a major advisor in the Fall Quarter to discuss major options.

Prerequisites

What are prerequisites?

Information or courses that are required prior to taking a class. These requirements can be in the form of:

- High School Courses
- College Courses
- Test Scores
- Placement Exam

Do all classes have prerequisites?

No, only some classes have this requirement. You will need to check each class you are enrolled in to see if it has a prerequisite.

How do I know if a class has a prerequisite?

Check the course details on Schedule Builder. *

What happens if I register for the course, but do not meet the prerequisite?

You will likely be dropped from the class on or before the first day of instruction and you will be responsible for finding a new course to replace it on your schedule.

I already have the prerequisite completed, but Schedule Builder is telling me I don't have it. What do I do?

First, make sure you have proof that you have the prerequisite completed (e.g. AP scores, screenshot of class with passing grade, etc.). Then, complete a Prerequisite Petition. Once the petition is submitted, you will be enrolled in the course. *

**see Schedule Builder Prerequisite video for examples*

Placement Exams

Missed the Placement Exam?

You will have another opportunity to take most placement exams. Check the website for the exam you missed to find out your next opportunity.



Computer Science

All students interested in taking ECS 36A need to take either a placement exam or complete the ECS 32A course.

[Website](#)



Chemistry

All students who register in CHE 2A or CHE 2AH are required to satisfy the Chemistry Placement Requirement

[Website](#)



Math

All students who register in MAT 12, 16A, 17A, 21A, or 21M are required to take the Mathematics Placement Exam. The Math Placement Examination is only available online.

[Website](#)

What can I use my AP and/or IB credits for?

Advanced Placement (AP) and/or International Baccalaureate (IB)

Consult the [AP Exam chart](#) and/or the [IB Exam chart](#) for information about your AP or IB scores and whether or not you are able to take the same course at UC Davis.

- Check chart for duplication of credit
- The type of credit(s) you receive (units only vs. course credit) will depend on your score.



What can I use my A-level credits for?

A-Level

For information about A-Level exam credit, consult the department that offers the subject.

- For example, if you have completed A-level exam for Physics, you need to contact the Physics department at UC Davis and ask the advisor what course(s) you received credit for based on your exam score.
- Unit credit is approved by Admissions



Pass Times

Mark your calendars!

If you have successfully registered for orientation, your Pass 1 registration will start on **July 12 or July 19**

Don't miss your opportunity to register during your Pass 1!

We cannot change your pass time.

Registration Checklist

Questions?

Email your International Academic Advisors at:

Lsinternational@ucdavis.edu

Before Pass 1 Registration:

- Know your UC Davis login (username & password)
- Familiarize yourself with Schedule Builder
- Check to see if you have any active holds on your account
- Confirm any AP, IB, and/or A-level scores you may have
- Review the First Quarter Major Guides for your intended major
- Take Placement Exams: English , Math, and/or Chemistry
- Save preferred schedules in Schedule Builder

On Registration Day:

- Make sure you have a reliable internet connection
- Your First Quarter Major Guide
- List of credits from your AP, IB, and/or A-levels
- Your preferred schedule of courses saved on Schedule Builder



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Frequently Asked Questions

Question:

What are the steps for declaring or changing my major?

Use the First Quarter Major Guides to find courses that you will need for the major you plan to change to.

It is Important to meet with your intended major advisor in the Fall to learn about the process of changing your major. You are not able to change your major in your first quarter.

Question:

Do classes get more difficult when the course numbers get higher?

For example: Is UWP 1 easier than UWP 21

No. Many courses are not taken in order. Read the full description of the course in schedule builder or in the catalog online to determine if you are prepared to take the course.

Only take courses numbered 001-099 in your first year at UC Davis.

Question:

What do I do if a course that I want to take is full?

If a course is full you can add yourself to the waitlist during Pass 2 registration. (If another student drops this course, you may be added).

However, there is no guarantee that you will be added to the waitlisted course. Search for open courses on schedule builder to find another course to register for, in case you are not able to get into the course.

Question:

I have Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and Advanced Levels (A-Level) Exam Credit.

Can I skip a class?

Depending on your score, some AP and IB credit may allow you to skip a course, however **we do not recommend it**. Exam credit is not the same as University level course work.

In some cases you are not allowed to take a course that you have already earned AP or IB credit for. Refer to the catalog or talk to your International Academic Advisor for more information.

Question:

Can I take more than 15 units?

First year students are **strongly encouraged** to only take 12-15 units in their first quarter. If you earn good grades in your first quarter you can discuss increasing your units for Winter quarter with your International Academic Advisor.

Question:

Do I have to be on campus to register for courses? My flight isn't until Pass 2.

You are **not** required to be on campus to register for courses. All you need is internet access, the link to the registration system (Schedule Builder) and your UC Davis login information.

Question:

Are the Math, Chemistry and Computer Science placement exams required?

No. These exams are only required if you plan to take Math, Chemistry, or ECS 34A in your first quarter or in the future.

Please refer to emails you receive from the departments with more detailed information.



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All students are required to meet with an academic advisor at least once a year. You will be notified via email with specific instructions on how to fulfill your mandatory advising requirement.

Make an appointment online and meet with your advisor to discuss the following:

- Academic Success
- Degree Requirements
- Time to Degree
- Campus Resources

You should plan on meeting with an advisor prior to the end of your first year at UC Davis.

How do I meet with my International Academic Advisor?

Advising by Appointment

Make an appointment online at appointments.ucdavis.edu

During your appointment we can discuss a variety of topics including:

- How do I choose/change my major?
- How can I plan my courses if I want to graduate in 3 years?
- What courses should I take?
- What are my degree requirements such as General Education (GE's)?
- I am not doing well in my class(es), what can I do?

Same-Day Appointments

If you would like to meet with an advisor, but **do not** have an appointment, you can check for a same-day appointment at the virtual front desk. We will also have in-person same-day appointments in the fall.

These appointments are first come, first served based on availability.



Campus Ready Plans

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Continue to read the Chancellor's messages for updates.

Campus guidance will continue to change.

Campus Ready website:

<https://campusready.ucdavis.edu/students-and-families>

Fall 2021 Planning for International Students and Scholars:

<https://siss.ucdavis.edu/announcements/fall-2021-planning-international-students-and-scholars>

Key Terms

Need a refresher on these terms and how they are used?

Open Seats: there is space available in the course and you can enroll in it.

Waitlist: there is currently no space in the course. You can still sign up during Pass 2 and *may* be added into the course *if* space becomes available. There is no guarantee and waitlist courses do not count towards your required 12 units.

Pass Time: this is the specific date and time you are assigned for registration. Each student is assigned their own pass time, so be sure to check your MyUCDavis and Schedule Builder to find your pass time.

Pass One: the first pass time you are assigned. This is your first chance to register for courses. You have a four hour window to sign up for courses after your start time.

Pass Two: the second pass time you are assigned. This will be at a later date before the start of Fall. This is your chance to add new classes, waitlist, and/or change your schedule.

Prerequisite: courses or placement exams that need to be completed before you can enroll in that course.

Online course: any course designated with a "V" after the course number (ex: CMN 003V). All course instruction and content is online, no in-person class meetings.

Hybrid course: any course designated with a "Y" after the course number (ex: PSC 001Y). Some instruction and content is online, some of it is in-person. See course syllabus for details.

Lower-Division: Any course numbered 0 - 99

Upper-Division: Any course numbered 100 - 199

PTA: Permission to Add. Some course(s) may require this code. You will need to speak with the instructor to find out if you are eligible for one.

A man with glasses is looking down at his smartphone. The background is a brick wall with a sign that says "N ACTI".

Thanks!

Any questions?

Email: LSinternational@ucdavis.edu

Webpage: <http://ls.ucdavis.edu/advising/students/internat.html>



Questions?

Live Q&A Session is Now Open