Overview

Today we’ll discuss:

• Who We Are: Your Student’s Academic Advisor
• The First Step on a New Journey
• How Your Student Will be Prepared for Careers and Life
• The LSA Degree Requirements
• How Advising Can Help Your Student
• Next Steps
• 15-minute Q&A session
Orientation Schedule
FOR YOUR STUDENT

• Small Group Meeting .................................. 1:00–1:45 p.m.
• Group Meeting .............................................. 2:00–3:00 p.m.
• Individual Appointments .............................. 2:00–5:00 p.m.
• Michigan Learning Communities ............... 6:45–7:15 p.m.
• Backpacking Courses .................................. 7:30–9:30 p.m.

• Registration ................................................. 9:00–11:00 a.m. tomorrow

The First Step on a New Journey
Every student is changing and evolving as they move through college.
Newnan LSA Academic Advising Center

Our advisors guide students in shaping their education, through individual conversations, online resources, and special programs.

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<td>LSA academic advisors</td>
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Infinite questions.

Students will often ask about the transition to college, strategies for success, course elections, College requirements, how to choose a major, pre-professional concerns, and opportunities for research, internships, and study abroad.

Academic Advising

- **GENERAL ADVISORS**
- **SPECIALTY ADVISORS**
- **MAJOR ADVISORS in each department**
- **PEER ADVISORS**
- **VISITING ADVISORS**
- **PASSEs** (Residence Peer Academic Success Specialists)
Academic Advising

HOW WE REACH STUDENTS

We provide personalized attention and communication.

INDIVIDUAL ADVISING APPOINTMENTS

EMAIL

ONLINE:
advisesweekly.lsa.umich.edu

WORKSHOPS

RESIDENCE HALL PROGRAMMING

A Liberal Arts Education

PREPARATION FOR LIFE

- All LSA degrees provide broadly applicable skills, useful for a variety of careers and life.
- Students learn from multiple perspectives by being exposed to different disciplines and various ways of research and understanding.
- 93.5% of LSA graduates land a job or attend graduate or professional school.
Today’s Job Landscape
A FEW ECONOMIC REALITIES

50% of workers have been with their company fewer than 5 years.

10-14 jobs by the time they are 38.

Every year, more than 30 million Americans are working in jobs that did not exist in the previous quarter.

What Matters to Employers
RATING CANDIDATE SKILLS AND JOB QUALITIES

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*Weighted average rating based on a 5-POINT SCALE: 5 = extremely important, 4 = very important, 3 = somewhat important, 2 = not very important, 1 = not at all important

Source: Job Outlook 2013, National Association of Colleges and Employers
Your Student’s Life

Requirements and Course Load

- Three Main Degrees Offered:
  - Bachelor of Arts
  - Bachelor of Science
  - Bachelor in General Studies
- Minimum of 120 credits
- Average of at least “C” (GPA ≥ 2.0)
- Most courses are 3–5 credits, approximately 4 courses a semester
- Full time standing: 12 credits
- Typical semester load is 14–16 credits

Skills

Pragmatic, durable life skills in written communication, quantitative reasoning, and intercultural competence
- First-year writing requirement
- Upper-level writing requirement
- Quantitative reasoning
- Second language
- Race and ethnicity

Distribution

Add breadth to coursework, think and learn in different ways
- Humanities
- Social Sciences
- Natural Sciences
- Math and Symbolic Analysis
- Creative Expression
- Interdisciplinary

Major

Focused knowledge in one discipline that widens perspective on all others
Optional: minor or second major

Electives

Maximize degree, have fun, craft a once-in-a-lifetime education
Cross-Campus Transfer
APPLY AFTER 1, 2, 3 YEARS

- Ross School of Business, Nursing ... Sophomore
- Art & Design, Engineering, Kinesiology, Music Th&D ....... Soph or Jr
- Architecture, Education, Information, Public Policy ............. Junior
- Pharmacy ........................................... Senior

Next Steps
ADVISORS PREPARE TO MEET YOUR STUDENT

1. Application

2. AP Credits
   (elective credit; don't count in distribution)

3. IB Credits
   (can count in distribution)

   PLACEMENT TEST RESULTS:

   - Writing
     (Writing 100 or FYWE)
   - Math
     (pre-calculus or calculus)
   - Chemistry
     (general or organic)
   - Second Language

4. Academic Interest Survey
We’re here to help
While the students are in control, we’ll do everything we can to assist them.

World-Class Resources

ACADEMIC & CAREER
• Career Center
• Newnan LSA Academic Advising Center

COLLABORATIVE LEARNING
• Language Resource Center
• Math Lab
• Physics Help Room
• Science Learning Center
• Sweetland Center for Writing

HEALTH
• Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), free
• University Health Services

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
• Office of Services for Students with Disabilities
• Test Accommodation Center
Questions?

EMAIL: parents.ask.lsa.advising@umich.edu
PHONE: 734.764.0332

WEBSITES:
parents.umich.edu
onsp.umich.edu/parent-and-family-programs