Transfer Orientation
Newnan Advising Center

Overview
Today we’ll discuss:

• Your Student’s First Steps
  • Today’s Schedule
  • Transfer Policies
  • Your Student’s First Semester
• Your Student’s Liberal Arts Education
• LSA Degree Requirements
• Academic and Advising Resources
• Next Steps
Your Student’s Schedule

- 1:00-2:00 Group Meeting
- Individual meetings with his or her advisor – 2:00, 2:30, 3:00
- 2:00-3:30 Backpacking
- 3:30 Registration with Advisor

Newnan LSA Academic Advising Center

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

- 37 LSA academic advisors
- 2 advisor/student meetings during orientation
- 1+ advisor/student meeting each semester

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

HOW WE REACH STUDENTS

We provide personalized attention and communication.

INDIVIDUAL ADVISING APPOINTMENTS

EMAIL

ONLINE:
advisemeweekly.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.
- Today’s students may have between 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.
- Every year, more than 1/3 of the U.S. labor force changes jobs.

Source: The Economic Value of Liberal Education, AACU and Center on Education and the Workforce, 2013
What Matters to Employers
R AT I N G  C A N D I D A T E  S K I L L S  A N D  J O B  Q U A L I T I E S

Skill/Quality                                      Rating

Ability to verbally communicate                   4.63
Ability to work in a team structure              4.60
Ability to make decisions and solve problems     4.51

Ability to plan, organize, and prioritize work   4.46
Ability to obtain and process information        4.43
Ability to analyze quantitative data             4.30
Technical knowledge related to the job           3.99
Proficiency with computer software programs     3.95
Ability to create and/or edit written reports    3.56
Ability to sell or influence others              3.55

*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

Unexpected Career Paths
I M P A C T  O F  M A J O R  O N  C A R E E R  P A T H

[Diagram showing the impact of major on career paths]
LSA Degree Requirements

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 one-in-a-lifetime education

Transfer Policies

1. WHAT CAN TRANSFER?
Up to 60 credits (62 credits with an Associates Degree)
Courses with grades C or higher accepted

Only credits transfer, not grades

Exception: Grades do transfer from UM Dearborn and Flint.

2. WHAT CAN IT COUNT FOR?  WHO CAN APPROVE IT?

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Your Student’s First Semester

Classes and Work Load
• Credit hours = hours in class, not difficulty
• Fall & Winter semesters, full-time is 12-18 credits
• Most students take 4 classes = 14-16 credits

Things to consider when choosing classes
• Start with classes in prospective majors and minors.
• LSA degree requirements
• Classes that excite you

Your student’s chance to explore and challenge are built in to the calendar.
– Drop/Add Deadline is September 28
– Late Drop Deadline is November 13
  • First term at U-M, no W on transcript

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