



It's All Academic for Lower-Division Transfer Students

Florida State University
Division of Undergraduate Studies



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*Student Success is
Our Mission*

- Academic dean's office
- Academic transition,
engagement, support
- Academic advising





Academic Dean's Office



Office of Undergraduate Studies

Most lower-division transfer
students, freshmen & sophomores

Until formally admitted to major or
upper-division

Location: UCA 3400



Dean's Office in College for Admitted Major

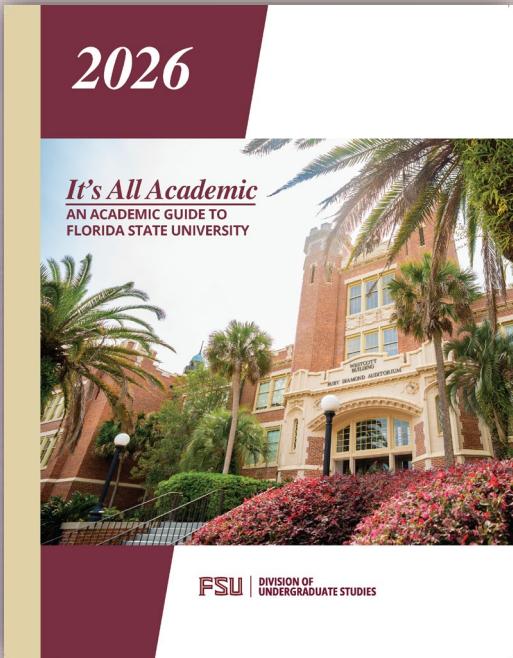
Most upper-division transfer
students, juniors & seniors

Music, Fine Arts, Motion Picture Arts

A sepia-toned photograph of the Florida State University campus. In the foreground, the brick base of the Seminole Spirit Tower is visible. Behind it, the iconic three-torch fountain is centered. In the background, several modern and traditional brick buildings are scattered across a grassy area with mature trees.

The Basics **ACADEMIC POLICIES**

Academic Policies & Info



**It's All Academic 2026:
Transfer Edition**

Undergraduate Bulletin

Download the myFSU App

– FREE: iPhone & Android

Academic & Advising Tech



FSU Email

Check daily for critical communications



Student Central

Academic & financial information



Campus Connect

Academic advising notes & appointment scheduling



Canvas

Online sites for your classes

Fall & Spring Terms

Full Semester

15 weeks of class



Final Exam Week



No Express Sessions

Summer Term

Three Session Options

Sum A 1st six weeks

Sum B 2nd six weeks

Sum C All 12 weeks

A+B=C

Attend Your Classes (unless sick or excused)



Academic Calendar

Lists when classes begin/end, finals, university holidays

Posted for each semester



Excused absences require documentation

Illness

Death in the family or other crisis

Active military duty, jury duty, or religious holidays



Any crisis that impacts your academics...

Contact your academic dean's office

→ In-person classes can't be switched to online.

Grades at FSU

4.0 scale for GPA

A = 4.0 (no A+)

B = 3.0

C = 2.0

D = 1.0

F = 0.0

+/- = 0.25 up or down



No weighted grades

No grade “forgiveness”

GPAs at FSU

FSU Cumulative GPA

- Only FSU classes
- 2.0+ FSU GPA for Good Academic Standing

Overall Cumulative GPA

- Includes transfer & dual enrollment grades
- Used for Bright Futures & admission to major



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Degrees, Majors & Mapping
STAYING ON TRACK

Undergraduate Degrees

CoreFSU

Major Requirements

Electives

Bachelor's Degree = 120+ credit hours



CoreFSU



Communicate

Construct logical & well-reasoned arguments presented verbally or in writing.



Reason

Systematically breakdown & solve complex problems.



Analyze

Form & analyze important questions.



Engage

Explore ideas & theories. Engage with different perspectives & the world around you.

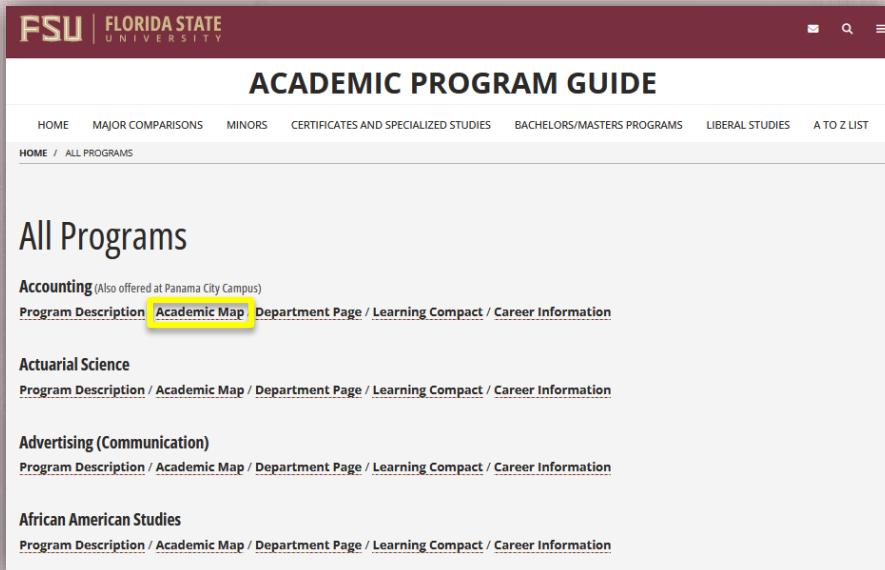
Majors at FSU



Academic Program Guide

- Info on every major!
- Program description, admission requirements, pre-requisite courses, careers
- “Exploratory” is good choice if undecided & in the first year

Meet Mapping Milestones for Major



The screenshot shows the Florida State University Academic Program Guide. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, MAJOR COMPARISONS, MINORS, CERTIFICATES AND SPECIALIZED STUDIES, BACHELORS/MASTERS PROGRAMS, LIBERAL STUDIES, and A TO Z LIST. Below this, a breadcrumb navigation shows 'HOME / ALL PROGRAMS'. The main content area is titled 'All Programs' and lists several majors: Accounting, Actuarial Science, Advertising (Communication), and African American Studies. Each major entry includes a 'Program Description' link, an 'Academic Map' link (which is highlighted with a yellow box), a 'Department Page' link, a 'Learning Compact' link, and a 'Career Information' link.

View mapping milestones for every major in the **Academic Program Guide**

Sample Schedule and Required Milestones by Term	
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ENC1101 Freshman Composition	3
MAC1105 College Algebra or higher mathematics	3
CGS2100 Computer Apps. for Business, ECO2013 Macroeconomics or ECO2023 Microeconomics	3
FSU Core Course	3
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ENC2135 Research, Genre, and Context	3
MAC2233 Calculus for Business	3
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FSU Core Course	3
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Sample Schedule: Term 3	Required Milestones: Term 3
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STA2023 Business Statistics	3
ACG2021 Introduction to Financial Accounting	3
FSU Core Course	3
RMI2302 Risk in Business and Society	3
GEB1030 Intro. to Professional Development (required only for those students who first enroll at FSU Fall 2019 or later)	1

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Required Milestones: Term 1

Complete ENC1101 (\geq C minus)
Complete (or waive) MAC1105 (\geq C minus)
Prereq attempts GPA 2.50 or higher

Required Milestones: Term 2

Complete ENC2135 (\geq C minus)
Complete MAC2233 (\geq C minus)
Complete 1 other Admission Prerequisite, in addition to MAC2233, (\geq C minus)
Prereq attempts GPA 2.50 or higher

Required Milestones: Term 3

Complete ACG2021 (\geq B)
Complete 3 other Admission Prerequisites; MAC2233 plus 2 more (\geq C minus) in each
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Major

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COURSE REGISTRATION & DROPPING CLASSES



Register Promptly & Before Finals!

Course Registration = Adding classes for next term

Enrollment Appointment = Your time to register

Before Your Enrollment Appointment

- Meet with your advisor
- Resolve holds on your account



Register the day of your Enrollment Appointment

Registration for next term closes after grades post.



Verify Classes During Drop/Add

Drop/Add period is for schedule adjustments

- Begins: A day or two before the semester starts (typically)
- Ends: 4th day of classes at 11:59pm
- Adding classes after 4th day is NOT easy or guaranteed

Mandatory first day attendance policy

- You must be present the first day of each class or you will be dropped by the instructor
- Don't count on first day drops for an unwanted course

Know the Course Drop Options

7th Week Course Drop Deadline (prorated for summer terms)

- No refund unless approved for medical/mental health withdrawal
- Bright Futures students must repay funded portion of class

12th Week Course Drop Deadline (often 11th Week for Engineering)

- Typically requires academic dean's approval
- Limited number of late drops
- Same payment stipulations as above

Any Week of the Semester

- Contact dean's office for crisis or medical/mental health reasons



*Always talk to your advisor before dropping a course.
Scholarships may impact course drop eligibility.*

Be Aware of Excess Hours Surcharge

Applies to credits beyond 120% of required degree hours

Most degrees are 120 hours so threshold = 144 hours



Does NOT Count	DOES Count
Accelerated credit (AP, IB, AICE)	Failed & repeated courses
HS dual enrollment	Dropped courses (after drop/add)
Dual degree or 2 nd major (if completed)	Unnecessary credits earned due to <u>late</u> major changes

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ACADEMIC SUCCESS



FSU's Academic Resources



In Courses

- Faculty Office Hours
- Teaching Assistants (TA)
- Learning Assistants (LA)



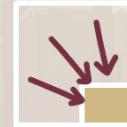
ACE@WJB

- Academic Center for Excellence
- Tutoring
- Study Skills
- Workshops
- ace.fsu.edu



Libraries

- Textbooks
- Research Resources
- Late Night Tutoring
- lib.fsu.edu



OAS

- Office of Accessibility Services
- Apply for accommodations
- dsst.fsu.edu/oas

All Tutoring & Writing Support Centers:
tutoring.fsu.edu

Course Textbooks & Materials

Know What is Required

- Listed now in details for every course section & on the FSU Bookstore's website

Buy or Rent Anywhere

- Search FSU Bookstore: bookstore.fsu.edu

Free eTextbooks

- FSU Libraries: lib.fsu.edu/etextbook



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Wrapping Up
ACADEMIC TO DO LIST

Connect with Transfer Student Services

Today



Visit the TSS table in the hallway for giveaways!



IDS 3003: Transfer Connections and Success



Transfer Community Mentors



Transfer Success Coaching



Tau Sigma National Honor Society

Get Ready for Orientation Advising

Today



Resolve any
holds blocking
registration.

my.fsu.edu



Consider IDS 3003:
Transfer Connections
& Success

0 or 1 credit hour



Register for
classes after
advising.

Need help?

Course Registration
Lab w/ computers



Adjust schedule
after Orientation.

You may change
your class
schedule until the
window closes.

Consider Delegated Access for Family



Students cannot share their FSU login!

Share My Information:

- Grants others access to view your class schedule, grades, transcript, financials, etc.
- Prompts family to create their own login & PIN.
- Allows you to grant or withdraw access at any time.

After Orientation

The screenshot shows the FSU Student Homepage with a maroon header. The 'My Info' section is open, displaying a list of categories: Personal Details, Contact Details, Name Pronunciation, Permission to Contact, Addresses, Emergency Contacts, Ethnicity, Share My Information (which is highlighted with a green box), and Review Withdrawal Application. The 'Share My Information' section contains the following text:

Share My Information
Following is the list of contacts you delegated access to your own data. To edit the information for a contact, select the Edit button. To delegate access to a new contact, select the Delegate Access To A New Contact button.

No current delegated access found.

Delegate Access To A New Contact

Submit Official Transcripts



Transfer Credit

- Transfer credit will be evaluated, then posted to transcript
- Applied to CoreFSU and major requirements if applicable
- Transfer credits post w/ letter grade

Check once the semester starts to ensure credits have been applied

After Orientation



Action Needed!

- Send final official college transcripts for all previous coursework
- Make sure Civic Literacy assessment completion is listed on transcript (if you have already passed it)



Questions?

Presentation slides:



Presentation slides available at undergrad.fsu.edu/academic-information