

# Frequently Asked Questions



We are the advisement center for Open Major students. Please don't hesitate to ask us questions!

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## **Now that I'm admitted, what should I do first?**

- Check out <https://enrollment.byu.edu/>. It has information and checklists for many topics including financial aid, housing, and more.

## **How do I register for classes?**

Instructions can be found here:

<https://registrar.byu.edu/registering-classes>

## **When can I register?**

- Registration dates and deadlines can be found here:  
<https://enrollment.byu.edu/registrar/registering-for-classes>

## **What classes should I register for?**

- University Core or General Education classes are listed here:  
<http://catalog.byu.edu/about-byu/general-education>
- Course descriptions can be found here:  
<https://catalog.byu.edu/courses>
- Please feel free to contact an advisor to discuss your schedule!

## **Which foreign language class should I take?**

Visit this site for placement exams:

<https://enrollment.byu.edu/registrar/challenge-exams>

## **Which math class should I take?**

Visit: [https://math.byu.edu/?page\\_id=367](https://math.byu.edu/?page_id=367)

## **If I have college credit, how can I check if my courses transferred?**

- Log into MyMap and select the blue "My Progress Report" button.
  - ✓ Page 1 of the report shows University Core requirements.
  - ✓ Page 2 shows major requirements.
  - ✓ The last page is an academic summary showing all completed work including transfer work.
- Associate's Degree- If you have an associate's degree, Page 1 of the progress report will show if BYU has received it.
  - ✓ If you have questions about your transfer credit, please call the BYU Transfer Evaluation Office at 801-422-8522.
- AP Credit- If you have AP credit that is not shown on the last page you can visit the Transfer Evaluation in B-150 ASB, log into your College Board account to show the AP scores and they will update your record.

## **How can I tell if my AP credit fills BYU's University Core requirements?**

- Check page 1 of your Progress Report and equivalent AP classes will show up here.
- To see which AP classes count for certain requirements, you can look them up by the year you took the exam:  
<https://enrollment.byu.edu/registrar/ap-ib-guides>.

### **If I know the major I want, how do I declare it?**

- If you are a newly admitted student who hasn't attended classes yet, you can log into MyMap, select the Plan tab, and click on "Change Major" on the lower left-hand corner under "Tools."
- If you are a current student, log into MyMap, select the Plan tab, and click on "Change Major Request" on the lower left-hand corner of the screen under "Tools." The advisement center for your new major will give you further instructions.

### **What resources are available to help me choose a major?**

- Meet with an advisor! Our contact info is listed above.
- Research BYU's major options
  - A list of all majors can be found here: <http://catalog2020.byu.edu/>
  - Check out the Major Academic Plans (MAPs) for each program at the above site. They outline all of the requirements and offer a suggested sequence of courses.
- Take a Career Exploration Class (StDev 117). This is a two-credit class designed to help students choose majors and careers.
- Take a Career Interest Inventory
  - The UAC (2500 WSC) offers assessments that can help you discover your personality, values, interests, and skills. Some are free and others charge a small fee. Advisors are available to review the results with you: <https://universityadvisement.byu.edu/career-assessments/>.

### **When do I have to declare a major?**

- Students must declare by the time they have 60 BYU earned credits (not including language exam credits, transfer credits, and AP work).
- If a student reaches 75 BYU earned credits, they will not be allowed to change their major without completing a petition process.

### **What if I want to double major?**

- Double majors are discouraged at BYU, especially if they significantly lengthen your time to graduation.
- To petition to add a second major you will need to contact the advisement center for your primary major.
- Some foreign language majors are designed specifically to be a second major so a petition is not required for those.

### **I'm interested in medical school, dentistry, or law. Can BYU help me?**

- BYU has an office called the Pre-Professional Advisement Center and they advise about:
  - Medical
  - Dental
  - Optometry
  - Physician Assistant
  - Pharmacy
  - Physical Therapy
  - Occupational Therapy
  - Podiatry
  - Chiropractic
  - Law
- Visit their website at <http://ppa.byu.edu>.

### **Can I work on campus?**

- On-campus employment is a great way to earn money without having to leave campus!
- Visit the Student Employment site to find out more: <https://hrs.byu.edu/student-employees>.

#### **Any other questions?**

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