



The Counseling Courier

Delivering Counseling and Advising News to You



Success Tips: Degree Audit and Educational Planning

Life throws us curve balls and sometimes we have to adjust our stance and have a plan for our next "at bat".



Degree audit and educational planning tools can help you knock that ball out of the park by assisting you to stay on the right course toward completing

degree requirements and pointing you in the right direction for graduation and/or transfer.

What you can do with degree audit and educational planning:

- See how courses that you have completed count toward degree requirements,
- See what courses and requirements you still need to complete.
- Develop a long-term plan to more easily achieve your goals

Q: When should I look at my degree audit?

A: At least four times a semester. You should always review this information:
* Before

you meet with your academic counselor/specialist to discuss registration for an upcoming semester.

* After you register to ensure that the courses you selected applied to your requirements like you thought they would.

* After your grades for each semester are posted.

* Any time you make a change to your schedule.

Coming soon! DegreeWorks

Our new degree audit and educational planning tool which provides information in a more user-friendly and readable format. DW not only allows for an audit of what you have done so far, it also provides an opportunity to build a plan to make selecting classes and staying on track toward graduation easier.



Academic Support Services Offered

Success Services
Building F, Room F332
847.925.6715

Tutoring Center
Building F, Room F315
847.925.6539

Writing Center
Building F, Room F303
847.925.6796

Hours
Monday -Thursday:
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Closed on Saturdays during summer session.

Tutoring hours vary by subject.

Upcoming Events

Transfer Fairs

Transfer College Fair

Tuesday, February 24, 2015
10:30am to 1:30pm
Building A 2nd and 3rd Floor

Adult Learner Transfer Fair

Wednesday, March 18, 2015
5pm to 7pm
Harper Professional Center (HPC) in Schaumburg

Major in Success workshops

Explore the decision-making process leading to a major/career choice

Thursday **March 5th & 12th from 2:00 – 5:00 PM**

Wednesday **April 22nd & 29th from 3:00 – 6:00 PM**

Sign up in your Harper College Career Development Center
Room A-347 847.925.6220



About Your Counseling and Advising Centers



Student-athletes may also receive specialized advising and counseling services in the Athletic Counselor and Advisement Center Building M219, 847.925.6466

Students with disabilities may also receive specialized advising and counseling services in Access and Disabilities Services - Building D119, 847.925.6266.

Our counseling and advising centers offer services provided by professionals skilled at helping you express and develop plans for meeting your needs/goals as successfully and efficiently as possible. We offer both individual and group counseling and advising, personal counseling, and a wealth of online and written resources pertaining to Harper's programs and transfer institutions. We also assist students in academic difficulty.

Career Development Center (CDC)
Location: Building A Room 347
Hours: M-Th 8-7, F 8-4:30
Phone: 847.925.6220

This center has a new name (formerly Career Center) and more focused mission, specializing in helping students who are undecided about their major. Our counselors and staff have many tools to help students with career direction including interest assessments, a resource library and a computer lab. The *Major in Success* program is a free workshop where students can learn more about the career planning process. Check out the CDC website for a wealth of information - www.harpercollege.edu > Student Life > Career Development Center. The new Job Placement Re-

source Center located in W207 (847.925.6400; jprc@harpercollege.edu) is now the place to go for assistance with anything job related including job search, resumes and interviewing skills.

Center for Multicultural Learning (CML) / Minority Student Transfer Center
Location: A347
Hours: M-Th 8-7, F 8-4:30
Phone: 847.925.6522

Addressing the needs of a diverse campus, the CML's Minority Student Transfer Center offers the following academic support:

- General advising, success, and transfer sessions
- Extra academic support to currently enrolled students of color who are in academic caution or probation (SOAP)

The CML currently advises the Black Student Union (BSU) and the MALE Institute.

- BSU meets every Wednesday from 2:00pm to 3:00pm in D131.
- The MALE Institute meets every Thursday from 11:00am to 1:00pm in D131

The CML has a social worker available for currently enrolled students. Please contact the

office for information. The CML also offers services for Undocumented students.

Academic Advising and Counseling Center
Location: I-117
Hours: M-Th 8-7, F 8-4:30
Phone: 847.925.6393

Counselors in this center have particular expertise with transfer information and helping students overcome academic difficulty. Check out the AAC website for more information www.harpercollege.edu > Student Life > Academic Advising > Academic Advising and Counseling Center.

Whichever center you choose, we encourage you to see a counselor each semester to update your educational plans, check for changes in the Harper curriculum and verify transfer information. You may call to schedule an advance appointment; please call early in the semester to avoid long waits at peak times. Walk-in appointments are available as well in I117, especially during peak periods as this allows us to serve more students.

We wish you a successful semester and we look forward to seeing you!

Important Move Information



Center for Multicultural Learning which was previously located in D142 will now be co-located with the Career Development Center in A347.

Multicultural Organizations which were previously located in the Drop-in Center in D building will now be located in Student Involvement in A334.

Access and Disability Services which is currently located in Building D 119 will be moving to Building I Rooms 103, 105, 113, 114

For more information on the moves and maps, please go to Harpercollege.edu, search Construction and choose the corresponding Building for the move that may affect you. (Center for Multicultural Learning or Access and Disability Services)