Are you a First-Year student at CofC? Here are some quick tips about how to work with your Academic Advisor and build a strong schedule for next semester.

5 Things For First-Years To Know Before: Course Registration Opens on 11/5/20

- Make sure you check with your advisor to see if you are required to have advising before you register. All first-year students are required to meet with an advisor before registering.
- 2. Make sure you are thinking about a major and if you have not declared, you should do this before the end of your sophomore year (60 credits). If you aren't sure where to start, Academic Advising and the Career Center have partnered to bring you the Majors and Minors Fair, as well as a variety of other workshops and tools to help you determine your next steps.
- 3. Once you declare, you are given a Faculty Advisor in the specific department you declared a major in. This Faculty Advisor will be able to help with planning out your classes and talk to you about your interests and career goals which may help with internships and job opportunities.
- 4. Don't forget about the Academic Roadmaps and Catalog when planning your classes. These are great tools to use in addition to DegreeWorks.
- 5. There is an academic planning tool in DegreeWorks that is set up to help students map out their courses for each semester while they are here.



Whether this is your first year, or you have been with us for a while, here is a quick refresher of how class registration works.

**5 Things For ALL students To Know Before:** Course Registration Opens on 11/5/20

- 1. Registration, when open and available, is open from 8:00am 11:59pm EST daily. If you try to add/drop/make changes outside of these hours, you will get a notice that you are prohibited to register at this time, even if it is your priority registration date.
- 2. Registration is based on **earned** hours. Please check your Degreeworks to view your earned hours. In-progress courses do not when viewing your registration entry dates.
- 3. Check your holds! Some holds may prevent registration check these early and often so you are prepared on your registration day to avoid a delay. Only the office or department that places the hold is authorized to remove it, so be sure to check the "originator" to contact the correct office/department!
- 4. Co-requisite, prerequisite, and capacity errors are all handled by the academic department of the course.
- 5. Check your registration status for holds and more to make sure you're active for the upcoming semester. Also, when preparing your schedule, pay close attention to start

and end dates, and **always** check the academic calendar online early and often for important dates!

You can always visit the Office of the Registrar for more information on class registration deadlines and procedures. This FAQ List is a good starting point:

https://registrar.cofc.edu/pdf/stu\_reg\_faq.pdf