



FAMILY TRANSITION WORKSHOP

ACADEMICS



GETTING THE DEGREE

Knowing the systems your student navigates each day and the resources they have access to will help you assist them through their journey to graduation.

BASICS

Credit Hours: Your student needs a certain number of credit hours to graduate. Most courses are 3 credit hours. This means your student will spend 3 hours in that course each week.

Course Codes: MATH 1001; MATH refers the department or type of course while 1001 refers to the level of the course.

TOPICS COVERED

- Basics
- Academic Colleges
- Graduation Requirements
- Student Success Center
- Library Services
- Career Development Center



ACADEMIC COLLEGES

At the University of Arkansas majors are organized into different colleges. While your student attends the U of A, their studies fall under one of the academic colleges listed below.

DALE BUMPERS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, FOOD AND LIFE SCIENCE (AFLS)

The business of foods, healthy families, quality of life, the stewardship of our environment and the impact of foods.

Majors

Advising

FAY JONES SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN (ARCH)

Includes architecture, landscape architecture and interior design education. An architecture program ranked in the nation's top 20, and provides students with the ability to work with world-class facility.

Majors

Advising

SAM M. WALTON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (WCOB)

Currently ranks among the top business schools in the nation and combines outstanding programs with experiential learning to help students connect scholarship to the real-world.

Majors

Advising

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS (COEHP)

Diverse disciplines focused on health and education. Students have the opportunity to gain hands-on experience and work with faculty on research in these fields.

Majors

Advising

J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (ARSC)

Fulbright College is the largest and most diverse academic unit on campus with 19 departments and more than 30 academic programs and research centers.

Majors

Advising

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (ENGR)

The most comprehensive engineering program in Arkansas, with over 100 labs and a dedicated, supportive faculty, providing an environment of exploration and innovation.

Majors

Advising

HONOR'S COLLEGE

Unites the university's top undergraduate students from all disciplines. Honors students enjoy small classes, priority registration, special housing, research and study abroad opportunities.

Requirements

Advising



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY PERSPECTIVES (UP) COURSE

Required for students in the following colleges: ARSC, COEHP, AFLS and ARCH.

This course introduces students to university life in interesting and compelling ways via academic and interest-based topics. With a wide variety of topics and themes that change each semester, students have many options to engage in a course with a topic or theme that interests them.

Example Topics:

Adulting 101

Build Your Experience

College Success 101

Leadership by Design

Essential Wellness Practices

Healthy Hogs

Netflix U

Exploring Food and Culture

Going into Healthcare Professions?

The Power of Positivity

Folklore and Pop Culture

Pursuit of Happiness

Your Story Through Food

Dare to Lead

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Otherwise known as State Core, these are general courses that ALL students must take over their four years to graduate, much of their freshman and sophomore years will be used accumulating these courses. Below is a breakdown of these requirements.

ENGLISH: 6 HOURS

MATH: 3 HOURS

SCIENCE: 8 HOURS

FINE ARTS: 3 HOURS

HUMANITIES: 3 HOURS

U.S. HISTORY/GOVERNMENT: 3 HOURS

SOCIAL SCIENCE: 9 HOURS

There are many courses that fall under each requirement, therefore students can choose courses they are interested in!

GENERAL EDUCATION
COURSES



STUDENT RESOURCES

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

A Physical Space to Maximize Every Student's Potential

The center will house all of the new student success programming and initiatives. A one-stop shop in the heart of campus.

KEY SPACES

360 Advising Studio

Offers one-on-one support for students' academic transition, financial planning, social engagement and wellness during their time at the U of A. Currently by invitation only and serves first-year students who are first-generation college students and Federal Pell Grant recipients.

Writing & Communications Studio

Provides one-on-one assistance to all students at any stage of the writing process. Consultants work with students on course papers, scholarship essays, personal statements, and other application documents.

Tutoring

Offers in-person and virtual tutoring appointments as well as Chat Tutoring for a wide range of courses from students who excel in their disciplines.

Other Spaces

- Fulbright Advising Studio
- World Languages and Cultures Studio
- STEM Studio
- Teaching and Faculty Support
- Core and Cross-Functional Team Space

Supplemental Instruction (SI)

Offers a series of weekly study sessions for students in historically challenging courses, facilitated by SI leaders – students who have excelled in the course and want to share their experience.





STUDENT RESOURCES

LIBRARY SERVICES

Database Access

Through the library landing page students can quick search for academic sources or use one the many databases provided by University Libraries for papers and projects.

Interlibrary Loan

The University has a large selection of books, journals, and articles students can utilize. If the U of A doesn't have an item, students can request the sources through the library and gain access from another library in the network.

Research Guides

These guides correlate with a specific field of study or actual course at the U of A and can provide helpful research links, resources, and requirements for courses or even specific assignments.

Librarians

A librarian is assigned to each academic area and can be contacted for information and assistance in students' research efforts.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER (CDC)



Handshake

A platform available to all students that helps them find jobs, sign-up for job fairs and even schedule appointments with career counselors.



Appointments

Students can meet one-on-one with a career counselor for a variety of reasons...

- Cover Letter Review
- Resume Review
- Mock Interview
- Grad School Search
- General Career Counseling
- And more...

Job Fairs and Events

The CDC hosts multiple fairs and events throughout each semester which can be found on Handshake

Job Fair and
Event Site