Unit Two: Advisement and Enrollment

TOPIC AREAS

• Developing a plan to graduate
• How advising works at RSU
  • General Education Requirements
  • What is a credit hour? How many credit hours to graduate?
• Key Features of College Level Coursework
  • Faculty Expectations
  • Student Responsibilities
  • Time Management
  • Online/Distance Learning
  • Student Privacy
• Important enrollment dates
• Introduce MyRSU student portal
Why are you going to college?

Getting started in college can be complicated!

We are here to help you.
Choosing a Degree Plan

Office of Career Services
Division of Student Affairs
Dr. Carolyn Taylor Center, Room 201
Phone: (918) 343-7864
Email: Hirehillcats@rsu.edu

- Focus-2 Career Assessment

- Check out RSU’s degree programs
Developing a Plan to Graduate

- **ALL STUDENTS** are required to meet with their assigned academic advisor prior to enrollment.

- Academic advisor/retention specialists are assigned by major and assist students in selecting courses and navigating degree requirements.

- Students who have a plan are more likely to persist and succeed!
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Components of a degree (124 credit hours)

- The average bachelor's degree at RSU requires 124 credit hours to graduate.
- All students begin their coursework with the General Education Requirements.
- Test scores determine placement in general education courses, some students may require developmental courses.
General Education Requirements (41 credit hours)

• Communications (9 hours)
• Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)
• Science and Mathematics (11 hours)
• Humanities (6 hours)
• Global Studies (3 hours)
• Elective (3 hours)
• University Experience (2 Hours)
### Time Management

- **What is the difference between a credit hour and a clock hour?**

- **The last digit in the course number reflects the number of credit hours. Each credit hour represents one clock hour of instruction time each week for the duration for the course.**

- **Example: The University Experience UNIV 1152 = 2 credit hours**

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Key Features of College Level Coursework

- Faculty Expectations
- Student Responsibilities
- Time Management
- Out of Class Preparation
- Student Code of Conduct
- Course Syllabus
- Academic Calendar
- Family Education Rights and Privacy Act 1974
Course Delivery Options

• What are the differences between 16-week and 8-week courses?

• What are the differences between on-ground classroom courses and online courses?

• What is a blended course?
Complete College America: 15 to Finish!

- Graduate on time!
- Save money!
- Improve your GPA!

15 Fall + 15 Spring = 30 credit hours
OR
12 Fall + 12 Spring + 6 Summer = 30 credit hours
**MyRSU** – Online Student Portal

- Access your RSU email
- Enroll for classes/manage your student schedule
- Access your student information, including financial aid
- Complete class assignments and participate in discussion
- Find important university updates

Need help? Contact the [Help Desk](#)
THINGS TO REMEMBER

- The Office of Career Services can assist with career exploration and degree selection
- All students are required to meet with their assigned academic advisor
- College courses require a significant amount of out-of-class preparation
- Develop an enrollment plan with expected graduation date
- MyRSU is where you will access all of your student information and enroll

ACTION ITEMS

- Contact the Registrar office at registrar@rsu.edu or (918) 343-7552
- Schedule an appointment with your academic advisor to discuss enrollment
- Log into MyRSU to manage enrollment