Welcome to the Program in Exploratory Studies
Getting Started Webinar

Hosted by the University Exploration and Advising Center

We will begin shortly. Thank you for your patience.
Agenda

• What PES academic advisors do
• Steps and timeline to prepare for Fall 2021 registration
• Tips for registering for Fall 2021 classes
• IUT: Transferring from PES to another college, school or program at CU Boulder
• How to connect with PES/UEAC staff over summer
Academic Advisors vs HS guidance counselors

What PES Academic Advisors do?

• Help you **navigate** CU
• Provide **information** about majors, minors and other programs on campus – to help you customize your degree!
• Review your Degree Audit to help you make sure you’re **on-track** to graduating on time!
• **Connect** you to resources and support systems on campus
• Correlate educational **goals** to long-term aspirations
Fall 2021 Course Enrollment - May

- Complete the Online Experience
  - You can find this in BuffPortal (Buffportal.Colorado.edu)
  - Must complete the Advising & Enrolling in Classes quizzes in order to select your enrollment window

- Send in your AP scores, IB scores, and concurrent enrollment credit to CU Boulder Admissions

- Complete Placement Assessments
  - Advising Questionnaire
  - Math Placement
  - Writing Self-Placement
  - Language Placement (if needed)
  - Chemistry Preparation and Placement Program (if needed)

- Sign up for an enrollment window in your BuffPortal
  - New Transfer and Summer to Fall students can enroll from June 1-18, July 15-August 15
Fall 2021 Course Enrollment - June

- Continue completing the Online Experience and Placement Assessments
  - Must complete the Advising & Enrolling in Classes quizzes in order to select your enrollment window

- Sign up for an enrollment window in BuffPortal
  - New Transfer and Summer to Fall students can enroll from June 1-18, July 15-August 15

- Pre-Registration happens in late June
  - All new first year Exploratory Studies students will be automatically enrolled in *FYXP 1500: First Year Success Seminar*
  - Students who complete the Interest Check-In may be enrolled in an additional course based on their interest
  - Students living in Residential Academic Programs (RAPs) or Living Learning Communities (LLCs) may also be automatically enrolled in a course. Check your CU email account for further information.

- Meet with an academic advisor to discuss your pre-registered courses and additional classes for your fall schedule
  - Visit colorado.edu/buffportaladvising to schedule an appointment
Fall 2021 Course Enrollment - July

- Sign up for an enrollment window in your BuffPortal
  - Each window is two days (Monday-Tuesday or Thursday-Friday) beginning at 8:30am MDT and closing at 4:30pm MDT
  - Seats are distributed equally across each window
  - *If you are expecting AP/IB credit we recommend not selecting the first three windows*
- Meet with an academic advisor to discuss your pre-registered courses and additional classes for your fall schedule
  - Visit colorado.edu/buffportaladvising to schedule an appointment
- Build your schedule, save classes to your shopping cart
  - Visit classes.colorado.edu to get started!
  - Do this prior to your enrollment window
  - Select backup sections and/or courses
- Finalize your schedule during your enrollment window
  - Contact our office for assistance
Fall 2021 Course Enrollment - August

- Finalize your schedule during your enrollment window
  - Contact our office for assistance

- Starting August 9th, you can make additional changes to your fall schedule.
  - Check your CU email for schedule check guidance and instructions!

- Finish all modules in Online Experience and work on Holds & To-Do Items in BuffPortal

- Prepare for move-in during the week of August 15th

- Enjoy College Day on August 20-21!
Register for Classes

First-Year Students
Before signing up for an enrollment window, you will need to complete the Online Experience. Once you've completed this course, a hold will be removed from your account and you will be able to sign up for an enrollment window.

There are five enrollment dates available to you: July 15-18, 19-23, 24-27, 28-30 and August 2-3. Choose the enrollment window that works best for you and your schedule; you do NOT need to come to campus to register. You will not be able to change your enrollment dates after you have selected them. Spaces in classes are evenly distributed for each set of enrollment dates. Enrollment windows open at 8:30am MST, plan to begin registering for classes at that time.

First-year students sign up for your enrollment window.

Transfer Students
There are two enrollment dates available to you to register. You may register for classes between June 16-18 and July 15-18. You must complete the Online Experience before you are able to register for classes. We strongly recommend talking with your advisor as soon as you can, they will have helpful advice about how your credits will transfer and what courses you should take. You do not need to sign up for an enrollment window.

Mark this task complete
* Please note that you are tracking your own progress.

Register for classes during your enrollment window. View the Class Registration Guide for more information on the registration process and to view your enrollment date. Please keep in mind that you must complete the Online Experience before you can register for classes. You do not have to come to campus in order to register. (Time estimate: varies)
Registration Tips

Summer Enrollment Windows

• **Get in early!** All first year enrollment windows begin on Monday or Thursday at 8:30am (MDT) and end on Tuesday or Friday at 4:30pm (MDT).

• Select a window that works best for you (i.e. you will have access to the internet & time to finalize your schedule).

• If you are expecting AP or IB credits, we recommend not choosing the first three windows - your credit may not have been evaluated and in your Degree Audit by that point. You risk signing up for classes that you have already received credit for.
Registration Tips

Open Enrollment

• All new First Year students will be able to adjust their Fall schedule starting on Monday, August 9th
  • New Transfer and Summer to Fall students will also be able to adjust their schedules.

• The last day to ADD or SWAP a class in your Fall schedule is Wednesday, September 1st

• The last day to DROP a class in your Fall schedule (without a “W” grade) is Wednesday, September 8th
Registration Tips

Academic Calendar

• List of ALL important registration dates & deadlines.

• Google search: CU Boulder Academic Calendar

https://www.colorado.edu/academics/academic-calendar
Registration Tips

Restricted Sections

- Course section numbers that end in "R" are classes located in a **Residential Academic Program (RAP)**. You must be a student in that RAP in order to enroll in those sections.
- Course section numbers that end in "E" are offered through **CU Boulder Continuing Education**. There is an additional fee to enroll in Continuing Education classes.
- Course section numbers in the **800's** usually indicate that section is restricted for a **specific population** of students. View the class details for more information about restricted populations.
Registration Tips

Recitation

• Some classes at CU have a required **Recitation (REC)** component in addition to a required **Lecture (LEC)** component.

• Typically, a Recitation will be a **small sub-section** of a large, lecture-style class, and will meet for 50 minutes, once per week.

• It’s possible that a lecture will meet remotely but the recitation meets in-person.
Registration Tips

Instruction Mode

• The majority of Fall 2021 courses will be in-person.
• Some larger lecture classes will be remote
• Some departments offering multiple sections of the same course may designate sections for remote mode to provide flexibility to students.

https://www.colorado.edu/covid-19-updates/fall-2021-semester
Class Search Tips

- Use Any Campus to filter out Continuing Education courses.
- Use Any Career/Course Level to filter for Undergrad Lower Division courses.
- Use Advanced Search features to further filter your searches!

**Open, Waitlisted or Closed**: Great to use during open enrollment and beyond. During the July/August windows, courses will either be open or closed (no waitlisting).

**Any A&S GenEd Attributes**: search for specific courses by General Education categories

**Any Instruction Mode**: search for courses by instruction modality (remote, online, hybrid)
Registration Tips

Degree Audit

• A Degree Audit report is a tool that helps students track degree requirements to complete their degree on time.

• Your Audit outlines what courses are needed for your degree and applies college-defined course rules.

• The audit will also show your Grade Point Average (GPA), and transfer credit that apply to your degree.

• Learn more about degree audits in the Enrolling in Classes Module in your Online Experience.
Use the pull down menus to select the specific College, Degree, Program you wish to explore. All new students should select 2021-2022 as their Catalog Year.

**Example:**

College: Engr ApSci  
Degree: BS  
Program: Mechanical Engineering  
Catalog Year: 2021-2022
Transferring out of PES: Intra-University Transfer

• Every PES student will eventually complete an Intra-University Transfer (IUT) to complete their desired major
• Each college/school/program sets their own requirements
• Most IUT requirements can be completed in two semesters

Common IUT requirements
• Successful completion of certain courses relevant to and required for intended major/degree
• Meet minimum grade, GPA, and credit hour requirements

**MYTH** - Starting in PES means I cannot graduate in four years.
IUT Resources

IUT website
• Links to all IUT requirements and deadlines for each college, school & program along with link to IUT application
• www.colorado.edu/office-undergraduate-education/intra-university-transfer

How to IUT videos
• Short (3-4 minutes) videos that review the IUT requirements for each college, school, & program, includes sample first year schedules
• vimeo.com/ueac

UEAC/PES Academic Advisors
• Meet with an academic advisor to help you set up for your fall schedule based on your interests!
How to connect with Exploratory Studies Advising

PES Academic Advisors
• BuffPortal Advising: https://www.colorado.edu/buffportaladvising
• You can meet with or ask questions to any member of your Student Success Team
• All summer advising will take place via Zoom

General Contact Information
https://www.colorado.edu/exploratorystudies
• LiveChat – visit our website to connect with a staff member for assistance
• General Email – UEACadvising@Colorado.edu
• Specific support will be available during enrollment windows. Check your CU email account for more details as your window approaches!
Thank you!

Important Websites

New Student Welcome - colorado.edu/orientation/

PES Website – colorado.edu/exploratorystudies

Summer registration steps - colorado.edu/exploratorystudies/registration/incoming-student-registration

Questions?