

# Academic Advising Programs

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## Advising for First-year Students and Sophomores

Upon entering the college, each new student is assigned a general education adviser, in a relationship that normally continues through the student's second year. Before students register for classes, they plan their class schedule and academic programs with the assistance of their advisers. Once the student and adviser meet, the adviser will release the advising PIN which is necessary for registration purposes. Additionally, advisers are available throughout the year to offer curricular or non-curricular guidance.

To take full advantage of advisers' abilities and interests in assisting students with sound, helpful counsel in the critical first two years of college, first-year students and sophomores should contact their advisers on any matters with which they need help. Special steps may be taken to ensure that students on academic probation avail themselves of advising services.

## Faculty Advising for Juniors and Seniors

By March 1 of the sophomore year, students are expected to specify the academic department or program in which they intend to major. When that step is taken, the department chair or faculty coordinator in the intended major becomes the student's adviser for the junior and senior years. During that time, students may and should consult their advisers on all matters concerning their majors, graduate school, professional preparation, and related work. Juniors and seniors are also required to secure an advising PIN prior to registration.

## Advising for Transfer Students

Students who transfer to Wofford from another institution will initially be assigned an adviser from the Office of the Registrar. The Registrar's Office will apply the accepted transfer to the student's Wofford transcript and advise the student as to the appropriate courses to take for the first semester of enrollment at Wofford. Typically, the Registrar's Office will register the transfer students for their first semester of classes. Subsequent semesters the students will register themselves after meeting with their adviser and receiving their advising PIN. Once the student formally declares a major, a faculty adviser from in the department that houses the student's declared major will advise the student for the remainder of his/her academic career at Wofford.

## Pre-Professional and Program Advising

Designated members of the faculty serve as advisers to students in certain programs of study that cut across majors and classes. These programs include those for studies leading toward professional schools in medicine, dentistry, nursing, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, Christian ministry, engineering, law, secondary education, and study abroad. Advisers and students in these programs work together to outline plans of study that are appropriate to the students' interests, to the requirements of the non-Wofford agencies and institutions involved, and to the degree requirements of the college.

## Tutoring Services

The Director of Peer Tutoring organizes upper-class students to serve as tutors for fellow students who may need help with their studies. The peer-tutors are selected by the faculty and paid by the college. Students interested in receiving assistance should contact [peertutor@wofford.edu](mailto:peertutor@wofford.edu) (PeerTutor@wofford.edu). Students interested in receiving assistance in foreign languages should contact [fipeertutors@wofford.edu](mailto:fipeertutors@wofford.edu).