

Academic Advising Programs

Advising for First-Year Students and Sophomores

Upon entering the college, each new student is assigned a general education adviser. This relationship continues until the student declares a major, often into 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 hold, allowing the student to register. Additionally, advisers are available as resources 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 when they have questions about their academic plans or progress or if they need referral to others who can support them by referring them to other campus resources. Individualized success plans may be put in place 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 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 the release of the advising hold 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 credit to the student's Wofford transcript and advise the student about coursework appropriate for the first semester of enrollment at Wofford. The Registrar's Office will register transfer students for their first semester of classes. The students will register themselves for subsequent semesters after meeting with their adviser to release their advising hold. Once the student formally declares a major, a faculty adviser 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 advise students in certain programs of study that integrate majors and/or courses from different disciplines of study, for example programs leading to professional schools in medicine, dentistry, nursing, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, Christian ministry, engineering, law, secondary and education. Advisers and students in these programs collaborate to outline plans of study that are appropriate to the students' interests and that fulfill the requirements of the non-Wofford agencies and institutions involved and the degree requirements

of the college. The Office of International Programs also acts as an adviser for students intending, preparing, and studying abroad.

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 learning assistance can access information about peer tutoring in myWofford, or they can contact peertutor@wofford.edu (PeerTutor@wofford.edu), or, for support in foreign languages, fipeertutors@wofford.edu.