

**2 YEAR FLIGHT PLAN FOR TRANSFERS:  
BA or BS in Liberal Arts and Sciences with a Concentration in \_\_\_\_\_  
For transfer students entering Fall 2015 and later**

FAU is committed to your success as a student. One way we define student success is efficient and effective progression through your degree program.

This Flight Plan is a tool to assist you in planning the courses you should complete and the milestones you should reach during your undergraduate studies so you may graduate on time. It is our intention that you complete this planning tool in *collaboration with your academic advisor* to ensure good understanding of:

- Which graduation requirements you have satisfied
- How to balance coursework with your other responsibilities and activities (e.g., employment, mentored research, study abroad, student organizations)
- How to get the most from your academic experience at FAU

Your academic advisor will help you customize and maintain your final Flight Plan during the next two years so that you graduate on time from FAU's Honors College. In order to graduate on time, you will need to:

- Complete an average of 30 credit hours per year, less any non-core college credit you enter FAU with
- Earn 120 credit hours, **at least 45 in the upper division (3000 or 4000 level)**

The Honors College provides individual advising from faculty and so this Flight Plan is meant only to be a general guide. The Faculty advisor is assigned initially during Orientation but students are free to change their faculty advisor by completing a change of advisor form, [available online](#). Students should not feel bound by this generic plan if they and their faculty advisor have developed a different plan that better suits their particular needs. Your advisor will help you identify what additional milestones apply to you, as well as help prepare you for a graduate program if that is your goal. In addition, students should use MyFAU to run a DARS audit of their coursework to confirm what requirements they still need to meet. If you have any questions at all about your FAU Flight Plan, feel free to contact any of the following individuals for assistance. They are here to help!

**Your Academic Advising Professionals**

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### IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Honors College students are required to maintain an FAU cumulative GPA of at least **3.0** to remain eligible for their Honors College scholarships. You must maintain a minimum **2.0** GPA each semester to be in good academic standing.
2. To receive your Honors College scholarship you must be full-time (**minimum 12 credits/semester**) in the Honors College. You should have your advisor's prior approval when taking courses outside the Honors College.
3. Students with an out-of-state tuition waiver must maintain a **3.3** FAU Cumulative GPA to retain the waiver.
4. Transfer students with an A.A. degree from the state of Florida automatically satisfy Honors College Core requirements but still must satisfy, in addition to their concentration requirements, the following **non-core graduation requirements**:

- 8 credits of Foreign Language
- 1 credit of Honors Forum
- Internship or Study Abroad
- 2 distribution electives taken at the Honors College, one in humanities and one in social sciences
- Critical inquiry (team-taught) seminars: 3 courses, at least one of which is 3 credits

For students without an A.A. degree we will identify courses you took that are equivalent to our Core courses: if you lack an equivalency in a Core area, you will need to satisfy that area with courses at the Honors College.

5. Some concentrations have more requirements than others and whether it is feasible to complete the concentration in 4 semesters will depend on how much coursework you already have taken. 1 or 2 summer semesters of coursework in some cases will be needed to finish in 2 years.

YEAR 1			
Courses and		Semester Milestones	Advising Tips
		: ( ) Summer ( X ) Fall ( ) Spring	
<b>IDS 1022 Honors</b>	1	1. Declare your concentration right away. Fill out the <a href="#">online form</a> using the drop down menus, then print it out and submit to the Director of Academic Support in HC 132. You do not need to include a copy of your transcript. 2. Make sure your advisor is in your area of concentration.	1. Meet with your faculty advisor during orientation. Be sure you receive credit for qualifying transfer/IB/AP and other college-level work. If you do not have an AA degree, have the Director of Academic Support Services or Associate Dean review your coursework to see if you need to take courses to satisfy a Core area at the Honors College. 2. Take placement exams for math and foreign language (online) 3. Meet with your advisor prior to advance registration for Spring. Check to see that you have no holds that would keep you from registering. Registration times are based on credit hours completed. 4. Create a student profile in OWL CareerLink; and consider completing <a href="#">Major Knowledge</a> , a career interest assessment, and bringing the results to your advising appointment. 5. Explore internship or study abroad possibilities: you can do an internship as early as your first semester (if you planned ahead) or spring/summer semester of your first year. 6. Civic Literacy Requirement: If you entered college Fall 2018 or later, you must pass Florida's Civic Literacy Requirement and you should do so in your first year. Students with a 4 on the AP US History exam or a 3 on the AP Government exam meet the requirement. Otherwise you must get at least a 60 on the Civic Literacy Test, or pass POS 2041 or AMH 2020. More information <a href="#">is here</a> 7. <b>Make sure the vast majority of your courses are 3000 to 4000 level as you need 45 cr of upper level coursework to graduate.</b>
<b>For students without an AA,</b>	0-6		
<b>Language (or CLEP test), if</b>	0-4		
<b>Begin concentr</b>	3-12		
<b>1 Humanities or 1 Social Science Distribution</b>	0-3		
<b>Total</b>	~15		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consider joining a student club.</li> <li>2. Be sure to check your FAU email regularly. Every Monday you will receive an email from the Honors College with information about events, internship and scholarship opportunities, and other important news.</li> <li>3. Take advantage of free tutoring. Hours are posted online at the beginning of each semester.</li> </ol>			

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Semester___: ( ) Summer ( ) Fall ( X ) Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
For students without an A.A. degree, any needed core courses.	0-6		1. Meet with your faculty advisor prior to advance registration. 2. You should have already declared your concentration using the <a href="#">online form</a> . You can always change it later. Fill out the form using the drop down menus, then print out and submit to the Director of Academic Support in HC 132. You do not need to include a copy of your transcript 3. Be sure to take advantage of free tutoring, the writing center, and the office hours of your instructors. 4. Attend an information session on study abroad if you are considering this for next summer. For more information go to <a href="http://www.fau.edu/goabroad/">http://www.fau.edu/goabroad/</a> <b>5. Make sure the vast majority of your course are 3000 to 4000 level as you need 45 credits of upper level courses to graduate.</b> 6. For pre-meds: Register and make a profile with AMCAS/AACOMAS. You can add MCAT scores later. Note that it takes 4-6 weeks for the information you submit to be verified and verification is required before schools receive the application.
Foreign language if needed	0-4		
Distribution humanities or social science course (must be taken at the HC)	0-3		
Critical inquiry seminar (team-taught)	1-3		
Concentration coursework (including possible internship)	6-12		
Total	~15		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:			
Semester___: ( X ) Summer ( ) Fall ( ) Spring			
Courses/Credit Hrs			Advising Tips
Concentration courses, needed Core course, elective, or Critical Inquiry (team-taught) seminar), and/or internship or study abroad	6	For pre-meds: Take MCAT summer before Senior Year. Take LSAT or GRE for law or graduate school and begin application process.	1. Summer courses typically condense 15 weeks of material into just 6 weeks. Students who take courses at the Boca Raton campus over the summer are encouraged to take courses that are not normally offered at the Honors College. 2. Remember that the 2 Distribution Electives (in Humanities and in Social Sciences) must be taken at the Honors College. 3. While transfer students with an A.A. are not required to take 9 credits of summer courses, those with high-credit concentrations may need to take summer courses to graduate in May of their 2 <sup>nd</sup> year at FAU. 4. For premeds: Begin primary medical school applications. Most medical school deadlines for early decision applications are early August.
Total	6		

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YEAR 2			
Semester : ( ) Summer ( X ) Fall ( ) Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
Courses in the concentration	6-12		1. Do graduation degree audit with Director of Academic Support, and have your concentration advisor check off that you satisfied all of the requirements of your concentration. This is the time to make sure you are not missing needed coursework. 2. Meet with your faculty advisor prior to advance registration for Spring. Be sure you have no holds that will keep you from registering for classes. 3. Students with an outstanding academic record should consider applying for scholarships for graduate study, see <a href="http://www.fau.edu/honors/academics/prestige-scholarships.php">http://www.fau.edu/honors/academics/prestige-scholarships.php</a>
Distribution elective in Humanities or Social Science (must be taken at the HC)	0-3		
Honors Thesis	3		
Critical inquiry seminar (team-taught)	1-3		
Total	~15		
Other Commitments & Activities: Consider a leadership or club activity and/or community service activities			

Semester ____: ( ) Summer ( ) Fall ( X ) Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
Thesis	3	1. Present your thesis research at the Honors College Research Day in April  2. Attend Boca graduation ceremony and Honors College medallion ceremony	1. Meet with your faculty advisor prior to registration 2. Submit application for degree, which requires sign offs from your concentration advisor and the Director of Academic Support Services once they confirm that you've met all requirements.
Courses in your concentration, or electives, or critical inquiry (team-taught course)	12-13		
Total	~15		

You and your advisor will customize your Flight Plan and update it as necessary as you progress through your program.

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## More Information

### Honors College Academic Information

<http://www.fau.edu/honors/academics.php>

### Student Policies, Services, and Resources (Handbook):

<http://www.fau.edu/handbook/>

### Registration, Transcripts, Forms, Student Records:

<http://www.fau.edu/registrar/>

### Academic Support (Center for Teaching and Learning, Writing Center, Undergraduate Research):

<http://www.fau.edu/ctl/>

### Student Financial Aid, Other Financial Services:

<http://www.fau.edu/finaid/>

### Students with Disabilities:

<http://osd.fau.edu/>

### Student Life (Housing, Events & Organizations, Wellness, Counseling, Leadership, Military Affairs, etc.):

<http://www.fau.edu/student/SADepts.php>

### Career Development Center:

<https://www.fau.edu/cdc/students/undergraduate/student.php>

## Tips for Success

- Meet with your faculty advisor at least once a semester.
- Monitor your progress in your courses; “check-in” with your instructors regularly!
- Check your degree audit every semester.
- Stay aware of important deadlines.
- Take advantage of resources FAU and the Honors College has made available to you to help you succeed on your flight, such as tutoring, office hour visits, and the writing center.

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