General Studies Advising Syllabus

Mission Statement and Academic Advising Definition

Weber State University’s Student Success Center provides student-centered programs focused on retention and persistence to graduation. The Center’s dedicated staff provides academic advisement to students pursuing an Associate of Arts or Science in General Studies, and oversees programs on multiple WSU campuses supporting academic skills training, early college access, and academic interventions. Student Success Center programs support students throughout their academic journey from orientation to graduation as part of the University’s mission to offer excellent educational experiences to all students.

"Advising is a process in which advisor and advisee enter a dynamic relationship respectful of the student's concerns. Ideally, the advisor serves as teacher and guide in an interactive partnership aimed at enhancing the student's self-awareness and

Contact Information:

- Student Services Center, room 140
- 801.626.6752
- weber.edu/scc
- studentsuccess@weber.edu

Appointment Scheduling:

- Davis Enrollment Services, D2, 241
- 801.395.3480
- weber.edu/davisenrollmentservices.html
- davises@weber.edu

Student Learning Outcomes

Understand the requirements for the AA/AS degree in General Studies
— Understand the overall goals of general education and how these courses contribute to your university experience

Understand the importance of obtaining academic advisement
— Understand the information provided in the Student Success Center AA/AS General Studies Syllabus

Earn the AA or AS in General Studies in a timely manner based on your educational plan.

Be aware of the resources and services available on campus to assist in achieving academic, personal, and career goals.

Advisor Responsibilities

- Treat you as a responsible student
- Create a positive, safe environment in which you feel comfortable expressing concerns and asking questions
- Effectively communicate the requirements of the General Studies associate degree
- Help you understand the purposes and goals of General Education requirements
- Provide information about campus resources
- Keep accurate records of your one-on-one advising appointments
- Maintain confidentiality, based on advising ethics and privacy laws

Student Responsibilities

- Treat your advisor with respect
- Schedule a periodic appointment with a General Studies advisor, optimally starting with your first semester
- Arrive on time for appointments with your phone off and be open to advisor’s advice
- Come prepared, take notes, and ask questions during your appointment
- Follow through on your decisions and accept responsibility for them
- Contact your advisor when you are facing challenges

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Advising Checklist
Visit weber.edu/calendars for WSU’s academic calendar

Before First Semester Begins:
- Attend New Student Orientation
- Visit weber.edu/whatsnext
- Purchase textbooks and parking pass if needed
- Familiarize yourself with the Student Resources Guide

Beginning of First Semester:
- Access the academic calendar online for dates on canceling/withdrawing, tuition refunds, etc.
- Get involved with clubs and organizations
- Explore university support services such as tutoring to enhance academic performance
- Manage and use your Wildcat email account
- Know how to navigate your eWeber portal

Mid-Semester:
- If you are facing academic difficulties, meet with a General Studies advisor for assistance & referrals
- Use University support services
- Review the academic calendar for important dates

Month Before Semester Ends:
- Meet with a General Studies advisor to discuss AA/AS degree, general education, class options, etc.
- If you have any holds, check your portal and contact the phone number listed
- Register for classes
- Take note of final test dates and times

Frequently Used Services for College Success

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