ACADEMIC GUIDANCE AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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General Advisement

Stern College and Sy Syms School provide academic advisement for their students. Academic advisers, deans, and faculty members help students develop academic programs to realize their full potential. They are available to discuss courses and majors and to interpret college regulations and requirements. Carefully constructed advisement and Major Fact Sheets help students plan their academic programs. In addition to overseeing the progress of students from the time they enter until graduation, advisers advise students about independent study, graduate school, fellowships, and professional options. At Sy Syms, each semester, students’ registrations are approved by a dean or an academic adviser. Advisers in both Stern College and Sy Syms review the records of all juniors and seniors to provide them with a formal overview of courses remaining to fulfill graduation requirements. The Academic Advisement Center at Stern College offers a range of services, including peer tutoring, to help students maximize academic performance.

Pre-Health Students interested in health-related fields should meet with the pre-health sciences adviser, or with an academic advisor, for long-range planning during their first year on campus. During the junior and senior years, they should attend all informational meetings dealing with preparedness for health professions admissions, the application process, and professional school selection. In addition, students should visit the individual Web sites of the schools to which they will be applying for specific program requirements.

Pre-Law Students considering graduate study in law should meet with the pre-law adviser during their freshman year. Intensive guidance services dealing with preparation for the Law School Admissions Test, the application process, and professional school selection are provided during the junior and senior years.

Pre-Engineering Students considering the Combined Plan in Engineering with Columbia University or with the State University of New York at Stony Brook College of Engineering and Applied Sciences should meet with the pre-engineering adviser during their freshman year. The adviser guides students in planning a course of study and in choosing among the various options in engineering.

Shaped Major Under special circumstances, Stern College students may design an individual major. Students meet with an academic adviser, who guides them in shaping a cohesive course of study to meet academic and professional goals. Majors such as art, and joint and combined degree programs, fall under this category.
Internships
Students are encouraged to pursue internships to complement their course work. An academic adviser reviews all internship applications for approval.

CAREER CENTER
The Career Center’s goal is to educate and empower YU students to succeed at every stage of their career. We offer a full range of programs and resources to assist students throughout their time at YU. The Center provides individualized career counseling, where we help students with major selection, resume and interview preparation, job/internship search techniques, and graduate school applications. We offer job and internship opportunities through the YU CareerLink career management system, on-campus recruiting, and career fairs. We also organize workshops, panels, and networking nights to educate and prepare students for a variety of careers and to connect them with industry professionals. We encourage all students to visit early on in their time at YU as the career development process should start from the moment college begins.