

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the role of an Academic Advisor?

[Academic Advisors](#) are the primary source of advising for students and should be your first contact to discuss any issues, questions, or concerns about your academic program. Each student has direct access to an Academic Advisor, who focuses on program-related issues and advice, and can assist you with degree program requirements and expectations. Your Academic Advisor can assist you in course sequencing, interpreting university policies and procedures, facilitating resolution of academic problems, conflicts and concerns, and referring you to additional resources on campus.

How will my Academic Advisor communicate with me?

Throughout the year, important updates will be sent via your university email address. This is the primary means of communication for students and you should ensure to use this email account when communicating with any staff or instructors at the university. You should get in the habit of checking this email account frequently. It is suggested that you [change your password](#) to something that you will easily remember.

What courses do I need to complete in order to graduate?

Students must complete 18.0 core credits and 2.0 general elective credits in order to be eligible to graduate.

How do I register for my courses?

Course registration takes place a few months prior to the start of each new academic semester. A step-by-step guide to course registration (including video tutorials) can be found in the New Student Guide: www.guelphhumber.ca/newstudents. Remember to always use this [Program Plan](#), as well as the [Course Schedule](#) to determine which sections of courses you are allowed to register for.

What electives should I take?

Choose electives from the published [Electives Course Schedule](#) that interest you. Electives offered in the Fall may differ from electives offered in the Winter semester.

May I take an ECS course as an elective?

No. Electives are designed to give students breadth and depth in their studies. Electives also provide an opportunity for ECS students to take courses with other Guelph-Humber students. You must take courses from the Electives Course Schedule.

Am I required to take my electives at Guelph-Humber?

Letters of Permission may be available in order for you to take electives at another university. Please see your Academic Advisor.

Is there a Field Placement in the ECS Program?

Yes. Starting in the first year, students receive workplace experience through five progressive practicum placements in early childhood and educational settings across the GTA. Students will be considered “professionals in training” and performance expectations will increase according to the semester level. Throughout the placements, students participate in classroom seminars to critically analyze and share their experiences.

I am a transfer student. How do I know which courses to select?

Transfer Students should use this document along with their Official Transfer Credit Assessment to determine which courses they have been granted and which courses they need to take. Transfer students should meet with their Academic Advisor to confirm the schedule they have developed in advance of the course selection dates.

Where can I go for more information?

Visit your Academic Advisor in GH108. Call 416.798.1331 x6288 to book an appointment, or email your questions to advisors@guelphhumber.ca. More information can be found on our website outlining [Academic Advising FAQ's](#).

For more support, visit the Learning Support Peers (LSPs) in the Learning Commons or email them at lsp@guelphhumber.ca.

Note: This program plan has been designed to assist you with course selection and program planning. In the case of any discrepancies between this document and the approved Schedule of

Studies, the Schedule of Studies (as found in the Academic Calendar at www.guelphhumber.ca/calendar) will serve as the official record.

SEMESTER	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	PREREQUISITES	CREDIT
Semester 1 Fall 2017	AHSS*1110	Introductory Psychology: Dynamics		0.5
	AHSS*1130	Principles of Sociology		0.5
	AHSS*1210	English I: Reading and Writing Effectively		0.5
	ECS*1000	Foundations of Early Childhood		0.5
	ECS*1010	Infant Development		0.5
Semester 2 Winter 2018	AHSS*1120	Introductory Psychology: Principles		0.5
	AHSS*1140	Public Sector Management		0.5
	AHSS*2040	Early and Middle Childhood Development		0.5
	ECS*1020	Child & Family Nutrition		0.5
	ECS*1030	Field Placement I *This is a pass-fail course	• ECS*1000	0.5
Semester 3 Fall 2018	ECS*2000	Parent-Child Relations	• ECS*1010 • AHSS*2040	0.5
	ECS*2010	Observing and Recording Children's Behaviour	• AHSS*2040	0.5
	ECS*2050	Curriculum Development I	• ECS*1000 • ECS*1030 • AHSS*2040 • ECS*1070 or ECS*2020	0.5
	SCMA*2020	Basic Concepts in Anatomy and Physiology		0.5
	SCMA*2040	Research Methods for Social Science	• 3.0 credits	0.5
Semester 4 Winter 2019	AHSS*2120	Couple and Family Dynamics		0.5
	ECS*2020	Play and Programming for Early Childhood	• AHSS*2040 • Co-requisite ECS*2040	0.5
	ECS*2030	Development in Adolescence	• AHSS*2040	0.5
	ECS*2040	Field Placement II *This is a pass-fail course	• AHSS*2040 • ECS*1030 • ECS*2050	0.5
		General Elective 1		0.5

Semester 5 Fall 2019	ECS*3000	Curriculum Development II	• ECS*1000 • ECS*2050 • AHSS*2040 • Co-requisite ECS*3030	0.5
	ECS*3010	Children With Diverse Needs	• 7.5 credits	0.5
	ECS*3030	Field Practicum III	• ECS*2040 • ECS*2070 or ECS*3010 WAIVER	0.5
	ECS*3100	Implementing Interventions for Children	• ECS*2070 or ECS 3010 WAIVER	0.5
	SCMA*3040	Quantitative Methods for Social Science	• SCMA*2040	0.5
Semester 6 Winter 2020	ECS*3020	Counselling and Communication Skills in Family Consultation	• ECS*2040	0.5
	ECS*3050	Child Care and Public Policy	• 10.0 credits	0.5
	ECS*3060	Field Practicum IV	• ECS*3030	0.5
	ECS*3080	Assessment and Intervention with Children and Families	• 10.0 credits	0.5
		General Elective 2		0.5
Semester 7 Fall 2020	ECS*4010	Inter-Professional Collaboration in Early Childhood Settings	• 12.0 credits	0.5
	ECS*4070	Field Practicum V	• 12.0 credits including: ECS*3060	1.0
	ECS*4100	Advocacy & Leadership in Early Childhood Settings	• 12.0 credits	0.5
		General Elective 3		0.5
Semester 8 Winter 2021	ECS*4030	Professional Issues in Early Childhood Studies	• 14.0 credits including: • Co-requisite ECS*4080	0.5
	ECS*4040	Program Development, Administration, and Evaluation	• 12.0 credits	0.5
	ECS*4080	Field Practicum VI	• ECS*4070	1.0
		General Elective 4		0.5

To submit a **Course Waiver Request** online, go to www.guelphhumber.ca/advising/forms