



What's New in **ADVISING & TRANSFER**

NOTES FOR THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY

SPRING 2015

ADVISING AND TRANSFER DATES

New Student Advising and

Orientation—ongoing. Information about scheduling an appointment is at bucks.edu/academics/advising/new

March 4, 2015 Transfer Fair 11:00-1:00, Upper Bucks Campus

March 10, 2015 Transfer Fair 5:00-7:00. Lower Bucks Campus

March 23-May 1—Faculty Advising Period

March 26-April 5—Priority Registration (eligibility based on Veteran and credit status)


April 1, 2015 Transfer Fair 9:30-12:30, Newtown Campus

April 1, 2015 Temple University Instant Decision Day 2:00-4:00 (see Advising & Transfer Center for details)

April 6, 2015 —Fall 2015 registration open to all students

April 8, 2015 Transfer Fair 10:00-1:00, Lower Bucks Campus

April 15, 2015 Millersville University Instant Decision Day 11:00-2:00 (see Advising & Transfer Center for details)



Watch for the opening of the new Advising & Transfer Center this spring!

DON'T MISS

FALL 2015 ADVISING AND PRIORITY REGISTRATION

❖ ACT NOW FOR THE BEST COURSE SELECTION ❖

- Faculty Advising: Monday, March 23-Friday, May 1
- NEW—All degree-seeking students now need an advisor approval code to register for any credits.
- Priority Registration for Fall 2015 opens Thursday, March 26 (eligibility based on Veteran and credit status); Registration is open for all students on Monday, April 6.
- In-Person and Web Registration for Fall 2015 full-semester classes will end on Monday, August 24. Classes begin on Wednesday, August 26.
- Registration continues for Summer 2015 courses.
- Registration continues for Fall 2015 September Late-Start classes, October Modulares, and November Modulares.
- Schedule Adjustments for Fall 2015 full-semester classes will be permitted through September 1 for students who are already registered for classes that begin August 26-September 1.

EXCITING CHANGES TO THE ACADEMIC ADVISING EXPERIENCE AT BUCKS

Changes are ongoing to enhance the academic advising experience at Bucks and to help students to successfully stay on track to complete their goals.

The most recent enhancements are:

- **Assigned Faculty Advisors:** This semester all degree-seeking students will be assigned a faculty advisor in their major. Students will need to connect with their advisor and receive approval for their fall course plan before they can register for any credits for the fall.
- **New Advising & Transfer Center location:** Opening this spring on the first floor of the Rollins Center.
- **New Technology Tools for Advisors:** See page 4 for details.

TRANSFER TIP: Students who COMPLETE their Bucks degree before transferring may be eligible for Transfer Scholarships and other advantages offered by their transfer institution. Transfer Articulation Agreements outline these benefits.

NEW AND UPDATED TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS AND ADVISING GUIDES

See <http://www.bucks.edu/student/transfer/agreements/> for a complete list of active articulation agreements and advising guides. New agreements and Advising Guides are added frequently.

Institution	Applicable Programs
Rider University Program-to-Program Agreements (New)	Psychology Pre-Professional (1060); Neuroscience (1194); Business Administration (1009) to Global Supply Chain Management; Business Administration (1009) to Business Administration; Business Administration (1009) to Finance; Biology (1003); Chemistry (1004); Communication Studies (1120); Journalism (1045); RN-BSN (2035); Sports Management (1154); Criminal Justice (1189); Honors to Honors
East Stroudsburg University Program-to-Program Agreement (New)	Exercise Science (1197)
Penn State Abington (Updates and New)	Psychology Pre-Professional (1060); Psychology Interpersonal (1183); Criminal Justice (1189); History (1196); Business Administration (1009); Liberal Arts: General (1002); Women’s Studies (1160); Social Sciences (1059), Social Work (1130); Journalism (1045); Science (1117); Information Science and Technology (1102); Computer Science (1103); Biology (1003); Chemistry (1004); Communication Studies (1120)
Holy Family University (Updates)	Biology (1003); Business Administration (1009) to Accounting or Management/Marketing; Criminal Justice (1189); Fire Science (2158) to Fire Science & Public Safety Administration; Liberal Arts: General Emphasis (1002) to English, History, Interdisciplinary Humanities; History (1196) to History; Psychology Pre-Professional (1060) to Psychology: General Track, Psychology Research Track or Psychology Mental Health Track; Psychology Interpersonal (1067) Psychology: General Track, Psychology Research Track or Psychology Mental Health Track; Mathematics (1006)
Drexel University Online Letter of Understanding (New)	Applicable to multiple programs of study listed in the agreement. Offers reduced tuition rates to any Bucks graduate, current student, employee, and employee’s immediate family who participates in online programs and courses offered through this relationship.
Gwynedd Mercy University Updated Dual Admissions agreement and new or updated Advising Guides available soon	New and updated Advising Guides for 10 programs available soon.
La Salle University (Updates and New)	Computer Science (1103) to Computer Science; Information Science and Technology (1102) to Computer Science; Information Science and Technology (1102) to Information Technology (updated) Cohort programs offered at La Salle University Bucks County Center: Business Administration (1009) to La Salle Organizational Leadership (included in Dual Admission) PreK-4/Special Education PreK-8 Degree Completion program New: Secondary Education with History (included in Dual Admission); History (included in Dual Admission); Criminal Justice (included in Dual Admission)

STUDENTS: NEED A TRANSFER PLANNING APPOINTMENT? Call 215-968-8031 or stop by the front desk in the Advising & Transfer Center area on the first floor of Rollins. For the Lower Bucks Campus, call 267-685-4800. For the Upper Bucks Campus, call 215-258-7700.

WHAT'S NEW IN COURSES AND PROGRAMS*

*For details, consult specific academic department.

NEW COURSES AND PROGRAMS

Courses:

VACV230—Motion Graphics
COMP108—Introduction to Academic Reading & Writing--4 credit course that combines COMP107 & READ110. Instead of taking two 3-credit classes, students can take the one 4-credit class. Prerequisite: Writing Placement Test score of 4 or better or COMP090 (C or better); and initial Reading Placement Test score of 2 or better

Programs:

None

OBSOLETE PROGRAMS

ARCHIVED COURSES

CISC105 Windows/DOS Concepts
CISC107 Mobile Computing (Experimental)
CISC117 Consumer Electronics (Experimental)
CISC118 Media Authoring
CISC131 Introduction to Unix
CISC142 Establishing & Maintaining a Small Office/Home Office Network (SOHO)
CISC203 Advanced Network Administration
CISC210 Programming in C++
CISC224 Web Databases
CISC231 Advanced UNIX (Experimental)

COURSE & PROGRAM CHANGES

Course Prerequisite changes:

VAF191—Art History Before 1450
VAF192—Art History After 1450
VAF193—History of Modern Art
VAF194—American Art History
VAPH196—History of Photography
VAFW190—History of American Furniture
VAGD102—Illustration—Drawing & Digital
OADM105—Administrative Office Procedures I

Course Corequisite changes:

None

Course number and/or name change:

KINS course prefix: Courses with the prefix “PHED” are changed to “KINS” to coincide with the new name for the department—Kinesiology and Sport Studies (formerly Health, Physical Education, and Nursing)

OADM140 Keyboarding & Document Processing (formerly Keyboarding/Typewriting)
LAWS 220 Legal Research I (formerly Legal Research)
LAWS225 Legal Research II (formerly Advanced Legal Research)

Other changes:

Program Name Changes:

1060—Psychology: Pre-Professional Emphasis (formerly Liberal Arts: Psychology: Pre-Professional Emphasis)
1183—Psychology: Interpersonal Emphasis (formerly Liberal Arts: Psychology: Interpersonal Emphasis)
1196—History (formerly Liberal Arts: History Emphasis)
1059—Social Science (formerly Liberal Arts: Social Science Emphasis)

DEACTIVATED COURSES AND PROGRAMS

Programs:

2150—Office Administration & Systems Technology (pending deactivation)

Courses:

SOCI130—Contemporary Social Problems

INFREQUENTLY-OFFERED COURSES

VAGD201—Graphic Design—offered in Fall only
VAF202—Figure Drawing—offered in Spring only
VAPH257—Large Format—offered in Spring only

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE

New General Education requirements for the Associates degree will become effective in Fall 2015.

COURSES ADDED TO CORE

SCIE101 Physical Science
SCIE102 Astronomy
SCIE103 Physical Geology
SCIE106 Physics A
BIOL115 Basic Human Anatomy
BIOL181 Anatomy & Physiology
PHYS121 Physics I

NEW LOCATION OR NEW MODALITY

All Total Lab classes will be exclusively online.
Accelerated Paralegal Program is continuing.

NEW TECHNOLOGY TOOLS FOR ADVISING

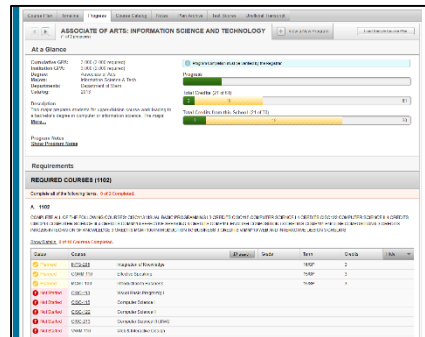
FOR STUDENTS AND ADVISORS:

Student Planning Module:

The Student Planning Module is a planning and registration tool that facilitates the ability for students and advisors to connect and be “on the same page.” It doesn’t replace the advisor/advisee interaction.

The Student Planning Module will:

- Enable students and advisors to more easily see the courses needed to complete the program of study and to view “progress bars” to track completion toward their goal.
- Help students, along with their assigned advisors, to create a timeline to plan and map out courses for multiple semesters.
- Enable students to complete web registration from the planning tool.
- Allow students to choose their class sections using a calendar view.
- Assist students considering changing their majors to easily see how their courses would apply to that major and how close they are to completing a related program.
- Show students their account balance, details of their account, and enable them to pay their balance using the tool.



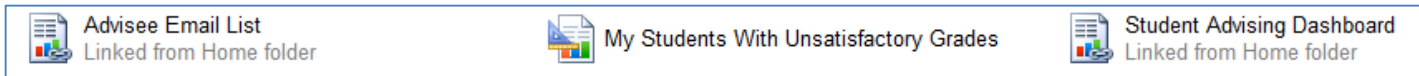
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New Advisor Reports Folder:

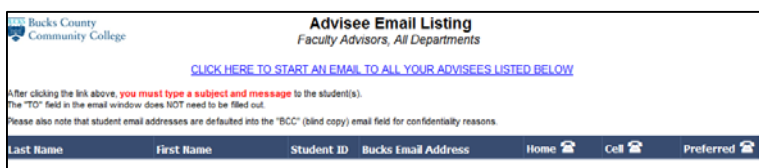


To make it easier for advisors to locate the tools/reports useful to them, there is a new **Advisor Reports** folder in **Report Manager**. Faculty and staff coded with Advisor status have access to this folder. To access this folder, click on the Report Manager icon in the Apps for Employees section of the Faculty/Staff MyBucks Portal.

This folder now contains three reports to support advisors as they are working with their advisees.



Easily identify and connect with your advisees through the “Advisee Email List” and the “My Students with Unsatisfactory Grades” Reports



To prepare for your advising sessions, you can easily access important information about a student, all on one screen, using the “Student-at-a-Glance” Advisor Dashboard



You can get the student’s contact information; placement test scores; academic goal; GPA; credits earned; current academic standing; account balance; current and past majors; 3-week, mid-term, and final grades; a semester-by-semester course history, and more. This is a simple-to-use tool that you can access from the Advisor Reports folder described above. Access this tool by clicking the link in the Advisor Reports Folder in Report Manager. Use Internet Explorer as your browser. When the tool loads, type in the Student’s ID number.

For Advisors: Did you know that you can use the Scheduling Tool within Canvas for scheduling advisee appointments? Watch this video to find out how: <http://youtu.be/n3X7AMHLdzc>. The video can also be found on the Homepage of the Canvas Logbook course space. Just click to view.