

# Academic Advisement

## Advisors' Tips: First Weeks



Your first weeks in a term are far more important than you may think. These early classes set the tone and pattern for your semester. Start well and you position yourself to meet your goals. Consider these tips from advisors for a stronger start.

As classes begin, you should be able to  the following...

- confirmed registered & paid.
- checked MyASU for updates about classes & printed current class schedule
- visited WHERE'S MY CLASS?\*, located my classes, & made a parking/walking plan.

\*see [www.aug.edu/advising](http://www.aug.edu/advising)



- validated my JAGCARD for current term. *(JSAC 2nd flr)*
- have current parking decal displayed on car.
- know Public Safety's number, 706-737-1401 *(add to your cell)*
- books secured & confirmed *(see course syllabus)*
- know how textbooks are organized & have general view of what's ahead.
- have quiet study areas ready at home & on campus.
- attending classes prepared & on time!

All checked off? Well done!  
Blanks? Work on these!

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College is about growing your knowledge base, not memorizing for a test. As you earn your degree, you must use what you learn from chapter to chapter, course to course. So take an honest look at your study habits. **Successful students:**

- ★ begin with a goal, then map their way with a plan.
- ★ organize their time to balance the parts of their lives.
- ★ have backups to help with the stuff that happens in life.
- ★ "study smart"

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## Your Study Plan..

- 😊 Set goals for yourself. If you want an “A”, earn it everyday!
- 😊 Plan your term. Put key dates for tests, projects, assignments for all your courses into a planner with your personal events. Decide how to meet your commitments. Work backwards from due dates to give yourself deadlines to pace your work & your life.
- 😊 Plan your week. Plot classes, labs, & other commitments. Remember to allocate 2 hours of study for every class hour - more for a challenging class.
- 😊 Have a “Study Mate” in each class to share lecture notes & help prep for class.

MY WEEK	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
6:00 AM	Sleep	Morning Routine: Breakfast, Shower, Dress					Sleep	
7:00 AM	AM Routine	Commute to Campus					AM Routine	
8:30 AM		8:30-9:30 Study Math	8:30 BIOL	BIOL Lab	8:30 BIOL	8:30-9:30 Study Math	8:30-9:30 Study Math	
9:00 AM	Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time	Math	Study Biol	Math	Study Biol	Math	Study Hist	
10:00 AM								
11:00 AM		Review Math	Lunch/ Activity Break	Review Math	Lunch/ Activity Break	Review Math	Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time	
11:30 AM		Lunch Break		Lunch Break		Lunch Break		
12:00 PM		Engl	Study Engl	Engl	Study Engl	Engl		
1:00 PM		Study Engl	Hist to 2:15	Study Engl	Hist to 2:15	Study Engl		
2:00 PM		Work out JSAC		Work out JSAC		Work out JSAC		
2:30 PM			Study Biol	Review Hist	Study Biol	Review Hist		Study Biol
3:00 PM				Study Biol		Study Biol		
3:30 PM		Study Hist	Study Hist	Math Help Lab	Study Hist	Math Help Lab		Study Hist
4:00 PM	Flex Study	to work		to work		to work		Flex Study
5:00 PM	Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time	Work	Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time	Work	Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time	Work		Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time
6:00 PM								
7:00 PM								
8:00 PM								
9:00 PM			Flex Study		Flex Study		Errands Activities Family Friends "ME" Time	
10:00 PM		to home	"ME" Time	to home	"ME" Time	to home		
10:30 PM	Relax, Night Routine							
11:00 PM	Sleep							

## As you “settle in”...

- go to class & participate!
- track your grades & progress in each class.
- discuss any concerns with instructor promptly.
- set up tutoring early - don't wait until you are lost!
- review your study plan; check notes & syllabi to ensure plan inclusive; adjust as needed.
- check in with your advisor & share your progress.
- check out campus resources
- attend a campus event at least once a week - try different activities!

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## Before Midterm, assess your progress...

- ◆ Review your grades.
- ◆ Review syllabus for how course grade calculated.
- ◆ Confirm with professor.
- ◆ Follow up with any adjustments/suggestions.

You have lots to do in these first weeks! Questions/Help:

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**Front Desk**  
AH N205  
See posted hours  
when classes in session

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