

First-Year Summer Springboard Orientation 2019

College Meetings: UNIVERSITY STUDIES

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University Studies

Why do you need a Dean's Office?

Role of the Office

- Dean's List
- Transferring Credits
- Answering Questions



Undeclared Students

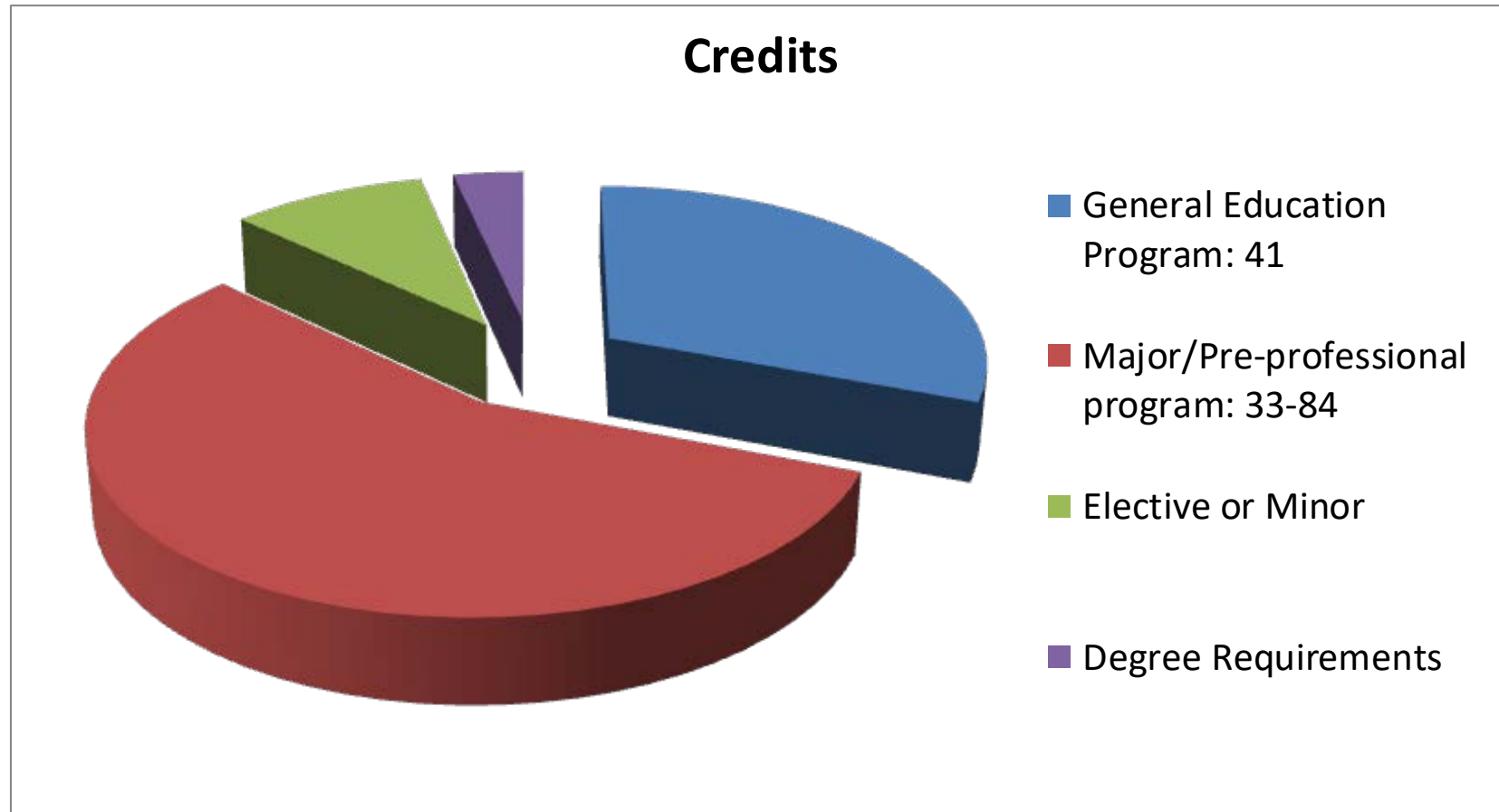
About 13% of all incoming first year students

Declare a major anytime between NOW andthe third Friday of your sophomore year

Discuss interests with advisor



Graduation Requirements



Academic Expectations

- Strong commitment to a foundational *liberal arts* education - 41 Credits (General Education)
- Strong commitment to *engagement* and *applying learning in the real world*

JMU Majors



33-84 credit hours: Great amount of variation between majors and in the number of credits required

- Second Major
- Minor(s)
- Electives

Major Snapshots

JMU Major

- Description of Major
- Degree(s) Offered
- Concentrations
- Minors
- Declaring Major
- Progressing in the Major

Important Links

- Homepage
- Catalog Requirements
- Careers

<http://www.jmu.edu/advising/majors/major-snapshots.shtml>

JMU Majors

Accounting

Anthropology

Architectural Design

Art History

Biology

Biophysical Chemistry

Biotechnology

Chemistry

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Communication Studies

Computer Information Systems

Computer Science

Dietetics

Earth Science

Economics

Engineering

Elementary Education

English

Finance

Geographic Science

Geology

Graphic Design

Health Sciences

Health Services Administration

History

Hospitality Management

Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Industrial Design

Independent Scholars

Integrated Science and Technology

JMU Majors

Intelligence Analysis

Interdisciplinary Liberal Studies

International Affairs

International Business

Justice Studies

Kinesiology

Management

Marketing

Mathematics

Media Arts and Design

Middle Education

Modern Foreign Languages

Music

Nursing

Philosophy and Religion

Physics

Political Science

Psychology

Public Policy and Administration

Quantitative Finance

Secondary Education

Social Work

Sociology

Sport and Recreation Management

Statistics

Studio Art

Theatre and Dance

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Writing, Rhetoric and Technical Communication

Minors and concentrations

- Majors often have multiple *tracks* or *concentrations*, each with its own focus
- JMU has nearly 90 different **minors**—these are a great way to broaden knowledge and add professional expertise

Admission into a MAJOR

Open Major

- *Good academic standing*

Talent based programs

- *Audition / Portfolio*

Progression Standards

- *Prerequisite Courses*
- *GPA requirements*

Absolute Size Limits

- *Not guaranteed admission*



Restrictive Majors

Open

Anthropology

Biology

English

Health Sciences

Geology

Philosophy and Religion

Sociology

Talent Based Programs

Art, Graphic Design

Art, Interior Design

Art, Architectural Design

Art, Studio

Music

Theatre and Dance

Restrictive Majors

Progression Standard

College of Business Majors
(e.g. Accounting, CIS)

Dietetics

Kinesiology

Psychology

Social Work

Absolute Number

Nursing

Media Arts and Design

Intelligence Analysis

Pre-Professional Programs

Education	Health Fields	Law
<p>College of Education Early, Elementary, Exceptional Middle, Secondary</p> <p>College of Health and Behavioral Studies Physical Education / Health</p> <p>College of Visual and Performing Arts Art, Dance, Music, Theatre</p>	<p>Medicine</p> <p>Dentistry</p> <p>Optometry</p> <p>Pharmacy</p> <p>Physical Therapy</p> <p>Veterinary Medicine</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physician Assistant</p> <p>Forensic Studies</p>	<p>Not a major or minor</p> <p>Recommended courses and skills</p>
		<p>Theology</p>
		<p>Not a major or minor</p> <p>Recommended courses and skills</p>

Academic Expectations

- Accept *responsibility* for your own learning and rise to academic challenges
- Demonstrate *intellectual curiosity*
 - Ask questions
 - Come to class prepared
 - Attend office hours
 - Get to know your professors
 - Seek help (Learning Resource Centers)
- Many majors have specific *performance expectations*, for example, GPA requirements for core courses
 - Start strong!
 - Know you are prepared!
 - We expect you to be successful here!

Undeclared = Intentionally Exploring



Advising for Undeclared Students

- Assigned to a full-time, professional career and academic advisor
- You will stay with your advisor for most of your first year
- Emphasis on helping you make good decisions
- The decision on what major to pursue is *yours*
- Access to full range of resources and tools



Talk to your advisor




Make exploring options a priority this year

UNST 102 – Career and Academic Planning Course
1-credit elective | Block course (1/2 semester)



Make exploring a priority this year










My Career Planning Readiness
[START OVER](#) [REVIEW](#) [RESULTS](#)


My Academic Strengths
[START](#)


Self Assessment

Discover majors and occupations that match your personal attributes

 Work Interest Assessment START	 Values Assessment RESULTS Review Start Over 100%
 Personality Assessment START	 Skills Assessment START
 Leisure Assessment START	Combine Assessments 1/5 Completed 

Explore the Possibilities

Use these tools for ongoing career and education exploration

What can I do with a major in ... Offered at James Madison University? 

Career Guide to JMU Majors



Overview

Careers

More About the Field

Who Employs Graduates?

Specialization

Internships and Experiential Opportunities

Research Careers

Complementary Majors and Minors

<http://www.jmu.edu/cap/careerguide>





Life

Education

English Literature

Business

Psychology
Environmental Studies

Communication



Career Readiness Competencies*

**National Association of Colleges and Employers*

- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
- Oral/Written Communications
- Teamwork/Collaboration
- Professionalism/Work Ethic
- Digital Technology
- Leadership
- Career Management
- Global/Intercultural Fluency



QUESTIONS?

