

What is Expected of Advisees¹

Awareness: Advisees should be aware of their needed distribution requirements and the basic guidelines of their school before meeting with their advisors.

Initiative: Advisees should take the initiative to keep their advisors informed of any problems that they encounter during the semester that may affect their studies.

Interests: Advisees should speak with their advisors regarding co-curricular opportunities and interests.

Planning: Advisees should think about potential plans for life after college to facilitate a productive discussion with their advisors.

Preparation: Advisees should prepare for advising meetings in advance. Advisees should be familiar with available courses and should prepare a tentative schedule and/or list of courses of interest. Advisees should have a list of pertinent questions prepared regarding courses, distribution, major and minor requirements.

References: Advisees should develop a relationship with their advisors that simplifies the process of writing reference letters.

Responsibility: Advisees should schedule appointments with their 4-year and major advisors in preparation for course registration. If advisees have two majors they should schedule meetings with both advisors.

¹ “Handbook for Undergraduate Advisors,” Washington University in St. Louis, August 2004, < <http://faculty-staff.wustl.edu/Advising/>>, 5.