MyDegreePath Student Manual

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Audits

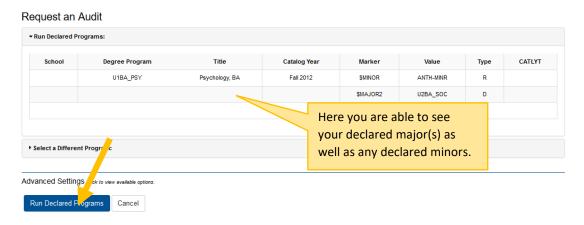
How do I run an audit?

Note: for a more detailed explanation, use the how to run an audit powerpoint.

Go to the audits tab and select Request New.



This will redirect you to the following page where you will be able to request an audit. Click **Run Declared Programs** to run an audit with your current declared major.



This will redirect you to the page with Completed Audit requests. Click on the audit name or the view audit link of the audit you want to open.

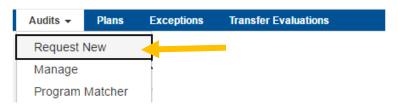
Completed Audit Requests

These are the audits that have been run in the past for this student's record. Hitting the "Run Audit" button will run a new audit report. Deleting audits removes them from this list.



How do I run a what-if audit?

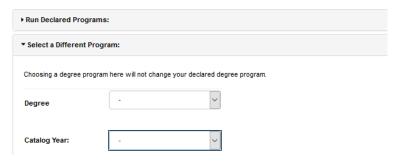
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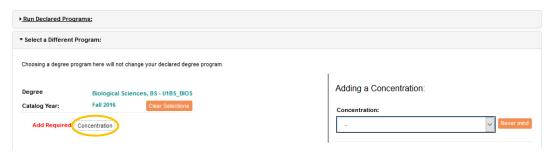
To request a what-if audit, click Select a Different Program.

Request an Audit ▼ Run Declared Programs: Degree Program Catalog Year Marker CATLYT School Туре U1BA_PSY Psychology, BA Fall 2012 SMINOR ANTH-MINR D SMAJOR2 U2BA SOC ▶ Select a Different Program:

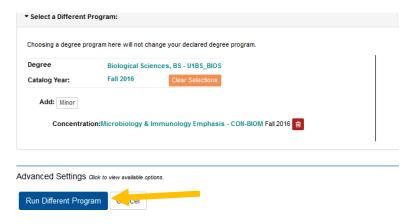
Chose the major you are interested in from the Degree list and select your corresponding catalog year.



If the what-if audit you are running is a program that requires a concentration, then you will also be given the option to select a concentration. (*Note:* not all majors have concentrations)



Once you select the appropriate information, select **Run Different Program** to run and open your whatif audit.



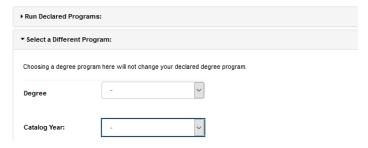
How do I run a What-If audit with a minor?

Click Select a Different Program.

Request an Audit



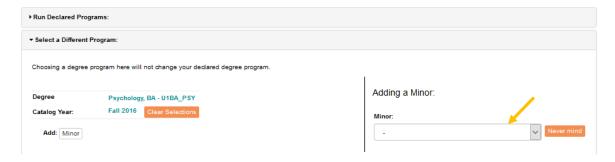
Choose your current or intended degree and your corresponding catalog year from the drop down lists.



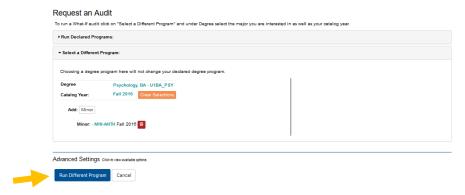
After choosing your degree and catalog year, the following image will appear. Select the minor button found below catalog year.



On the right side a new drop down list will appear with minor options; select the minor you are interested in.



Once you select the appropriate information, select Run Different Program to run your what-if audit.



How do I run an audit with courses I planned for both my major and minor?

Note: you can only run an audit with your major and minor requirements if both are currently declared.

Complete your graduation plan with both major and minor requirements. If you need help adding a minor roadmap to your plan, <u>click here</u>.

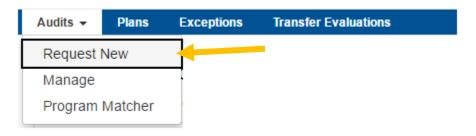
If you have multiple plans, make sure to have the plan you want to create an audit with as your preferred plan. To make a plan your preferred plan, click on the star icon to the left of the plan name.

Manage Student, Test's Plans @ Program: Biological Sciences, BS Catalog: Fall 2015 You may see more than one option for each major. These are different based on your catalog year. Make sure to select the roadmap for your catalog/effective year. If you select the wrong roadmap, you can return to choose a different option by clicking the box with the degree name. My Plans Create a New Plan Action PDF Preferred Edit Plan Updated User My HIST What-If Plan Select... Mar 14, 2017 brojas2 ☆ PDF * My Plan Select... Mar 14, 2017 brojas2 PDF

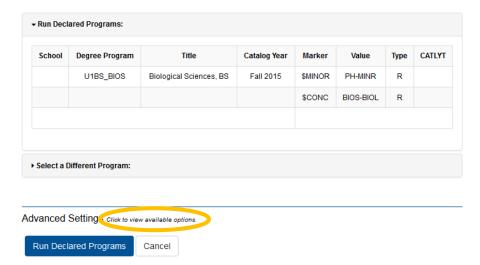
You can only select one plan to be your preferred plan by selecting the star icon. This will be the plan used when meeting with your advisor.

* Indicates a plan without associated roadmap

Go to the Audits tab and select Request New.

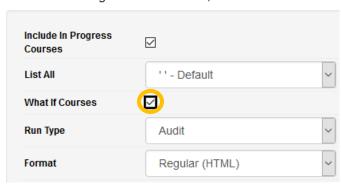


To run an audit with your planned courses, click on the link next to **Advanced Settings**.



Under **Advanced Settings**, click on the **What If Courses** box. You should see a check mark after clicking on the box.

Advanced Settings Click to view available options.

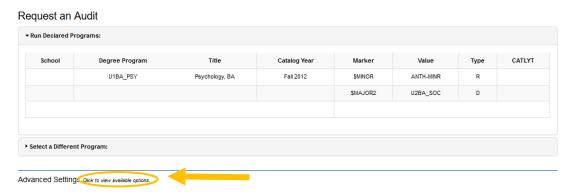


Select Run Declared Programs to run your audit. This will run an audit with the courses you planned for.



How do I get a pdf version of my audit?

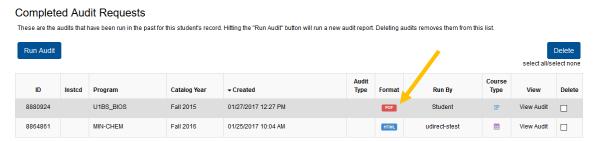
Before running your audit select **Click to view available options**.



Change the **Format** option to PDF and select **Run Declared Programs**.

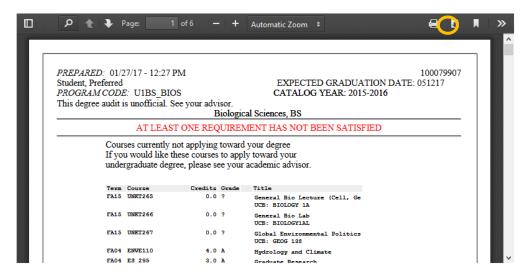


A list of ran audits will be displayed. Look for the audit that has PDF under format.



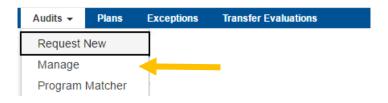
Print PDF

To print the PDF copy of your audit, click the print button on the top right corner. You can also download it and print it at a later time.

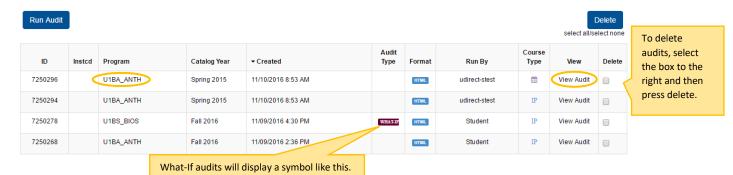


How do I view previously submitted audits?

To view audits that you have previously submitted go to the audits tab and select **Manage**. Here you will find a list of audits you have created; keep in mind that audits are erased every two days.



Click on the audit name or the View Audit link of the audit you want to open.

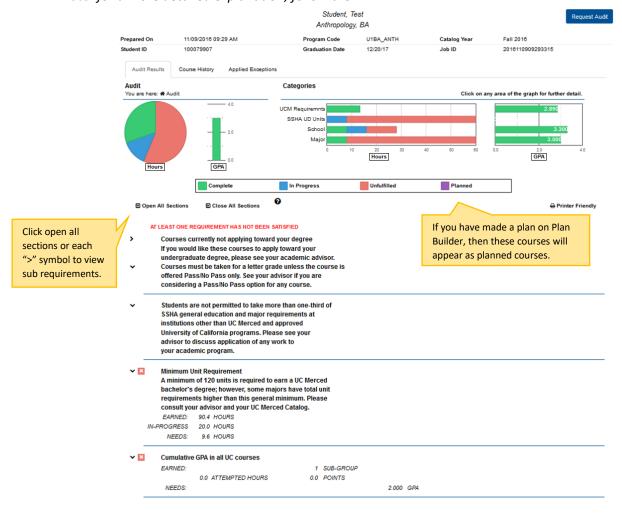


If a purple calendar appears, this indicates an audit that you ran when using <u>Plan Builder</u>. You may see many of these because every time you open a Plan, a new audit is generated.

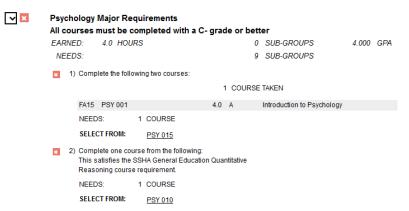


How do I read the audit?

The audit will display the requirements you need to fulfill based on your selected degree. It shows courses you have completed, courses you are currently registered for, and courses you need to take. *Note:* for a more detailed explanation, follow the link.



Under each requirement and sub-requirement, you will find specific course you can take to meet your degree requirements.



You can select a specific course on the audit and see the course availability. Keep in mind that you will only be able to see course availability for semesters where the schedule of courses has been released.

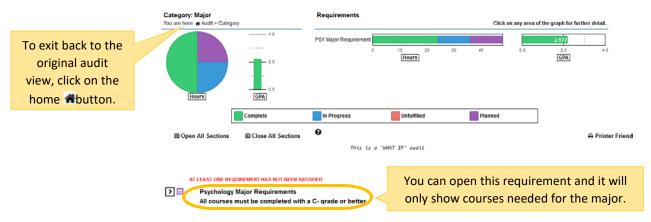


What can I view under categories?

You can click on each category bar to view a breakdown of each requirement and view your progress on finishing that specific requirement.



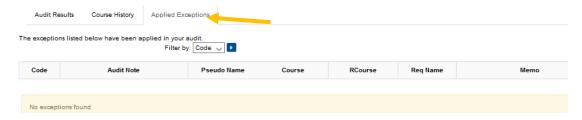
When clicking a specific category, it will display only requirements from that category and the audit will also only display requirements from that category.



What is the Applied Exceptions tab for?

The **Applied Exceptions** tab will display any exceptions that your advisor has added to your audit. If you do not have any exceptions, this will be blank.

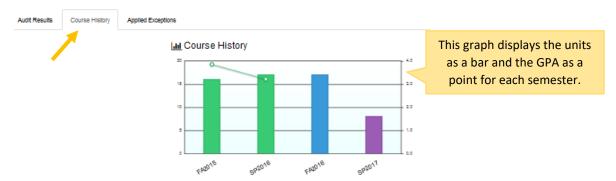
Note: If an exception does not appear here, it may be on the exception tab on the top of MyDegreePath.



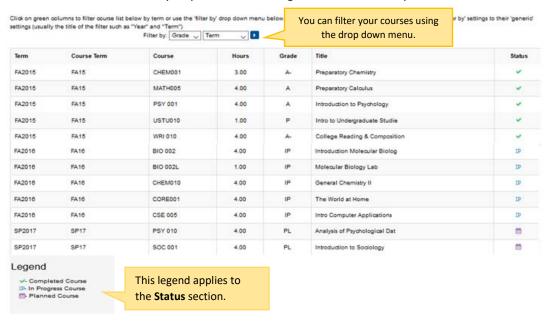
What is the Course History tab for?

The **Course History** tab displays courses you have taken, are currently enrolled in, or plan to take; as well as courses you have transferred to UC Merced. You can see units and grades received for each course.

Note: this is neither an official nor an unofficial transcript.



You can view the units and grades received for each course. If a course has a purple calendar as the status, this means this is a course you planned for using the Plan Builder option.



Glossary of Audit Icons

| Icon | Function | | | |
|-------------|---|--|--|--|
| IP Grade | This grade appears next to classes in which you are currently enrolled, but have not yet completed. | | | |
| T Grade | This grade appears next to classes that have been transferred from a non UC institution. | | | |
| ✓ | If a requirement has been completed, this checkmark will appear. | | | |
| × | If a requirement has not yet been completed, this symbol will appear. | | | |
| - | If a requirement is in progress, the word IP and this symbol will appear. | | | |
| # | If you have planned courses on your audit, this symbol will appear. | | | |
| * in course | If a requirement is stated as ***, it means that any course will fulfill the requirement. For example, HIST *** means any history course. HIST 1** means any upper-division history course. | | | |
| T or TUO | Indicates that the course is for transfer units only. You will see this with courses you transferred and for AP Credit. | | | |
| >D | Indicates a course that has been retaken and the units have been removed. The course grade is still factored in. This usually means that the student has exceeded the 16 repeatable unit limit. | | | |
| >RP | Indicates a course that has been repeated for credit. This will appear next to the course that is applying toward a degree. | | | |
| >X | Indicates a course that has been retaken and replaced. These courses will appear in you audit under "The following courses do not apply toward a degree." | | | |
| PL | Indicates a course that you have planned to take using Plan Builder. This is unofficial and you would still need to enroll in these courses. | | | |

Plan Builder

Icons on Plan Builder

Review the chart before making a plan

| Icon | Name | Function | before making a plan | |
|--------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------|--|
| PDF | View PDF | Roadmap side: Creates a PDF version of the roadmap to see entire roadmap. Plan side: Creates a PDF version of the plan you are building. | | |
| 0 | Add Roadmap | This allows you to add a different roadmap to plan from. The new roadmap will become associated with the plan you have. After adding a new roadmap, the first roadmap you selected will no longer appear on the roadmap side. | | |
| • | Move Preferred | Transfers courses from the roadmap to the plan. Only appears when you have no courses on the plan side. | | |
| | View and Audit | This will run an audit that shows all courses from the current plan and how they fit into your degree requirements. | | |
| 96 | Associated Roadmap | Displays any associated roadmaps that have been added using the Add Roadmap button. | | |
| | Completed Courses | Changes the display to show the plan on the left and a list of completed courses on the right. You can manually add courses by using the Add Course button found below each semester name. | | |
| | GPA Calculator | Changes the display to show the plan on the left and the GPA calculator function on the right. You can manually add courses by using the Add Course button found below each semester name. | | |
| • | Check Plan | Checks plan against your degree audit. It verifies if requirements are being fulfilled by the courses you selected and can also check for pre-requisites and term availability. | | |
| - | Remove All | This removes all courses from your Plan. | | |
| + | Add Term | Adds a new term to your plan. Can be used when you are planning to take summer courses. | | |
| 3 | Edit | Use edit to delete an individual course from the semester. You can also change the grade for a course to use on your planned GPA. | | |
| M | Trash | You can delete an individual term by selecting the trash icon found in each term. | | |
| | Course List | Indicates you have a list of courses to choose from for a requirement. | | |
| • | Pre-/Co- Requisite | Course has at least one pre-requisite or co-requisite you need to plan to take before enrolling in the course. | | |
| \checkmark | Completed | Indicates course or requirement has been successfully completed. | | |
| IP | In Progress | Notes that you are currently registered in a planned course. | | |
| × | Incomplete | This displays on courses you have planned for but did not complete. | | |
| | Completed Course | , | | |
| • | Alert | This indicates a course you planned for is not projected to be available in the term it was placed or you have not met a pre-requisite. | | |
| 0 | Required | This is a required course for your chosen degree program. | | |
| ~ | Preferred | From the list of course, this is the preferred course for you to take. | | |
| A | Critical | This requirement or course is necessary to stay on track. | | |

How do I access Plan Builder?

On the tabs section, select **Plans**. This will redirect you to create your own plan.



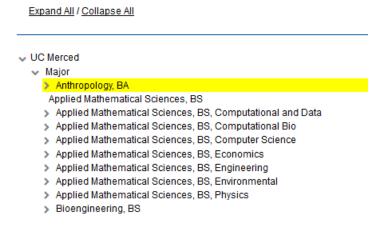
How do I create a plan?

After selecting the **Plans** tab, the following page should be displayed. Click on **Create a New Plan**.



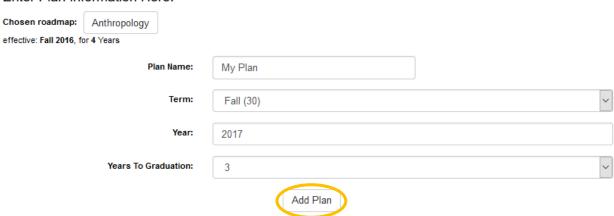
A list of majors currently offered will be displayed and your current declared major will be highlighted. Click on the Degree name and make sure to select your appropriate catalog year.

Choose a Degree Program Below



When you select a major, the following will appear. Type a name for your plan, select the semester and year you want to start your plan on, and select the years you have left to graduate. Click **Add Plan**.

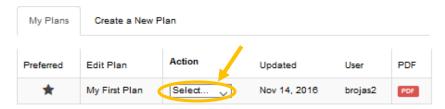
Enter Plan Information Here:



How do I open a plan?

Immediately After Creating Plan

After creating your plan it will redirect you to a list of plans you have created. To open your plan click on the plan name or click the drop down and click on edit plan.



It can take several minutes for your plan to process. While the plan is processing and opening you will see a loading box for the duration, and then it will open your plan.



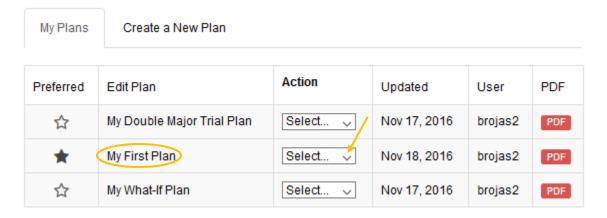
Note: If you have transfer credit, already have taken courses, or are currently registered in courses, the requirements met by those courses will display a green \checkmark check mark.

Returning to a Previously Made Plan

If you have already created a plan, go to the **Plans** tab.



A list of plans you have created will be displayed. To open click on the plan name or click the drop down found below action and click on edit plan.



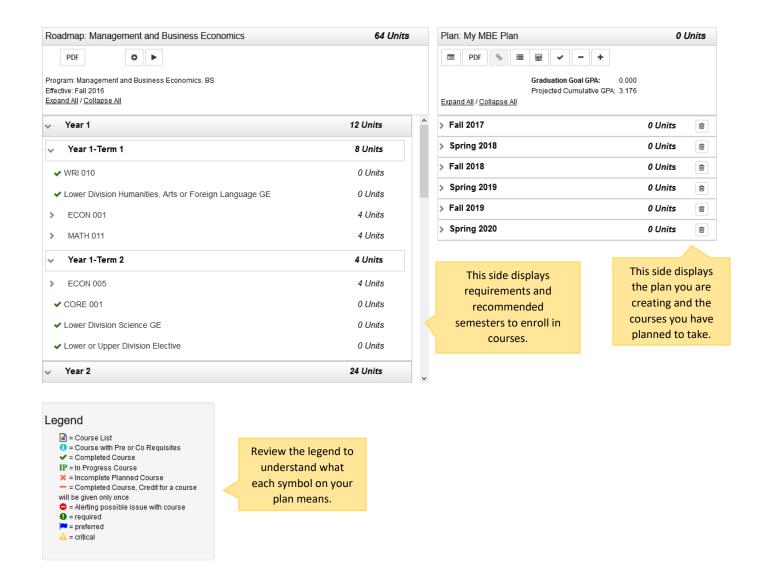
It can take several minutes for your plan to process. While the plan is processing and opening you will see a loading box for the duration, and then it will open your plan.



When you First Open a Plan

When Plan Builder opens, you will see the image below. There is a Roadmap side and a Plan side, that this manual will explain how to use in the next sections.

Note: If you have transfer credit, already have taken courses, or are currently registered in courses, the requirements met by those courses will display a green \checkmark check mark.



How do I add courses to my plan?

Using the Move Preferred Button

You can automatically move certain courses to your plan by selecting the move preferred button.



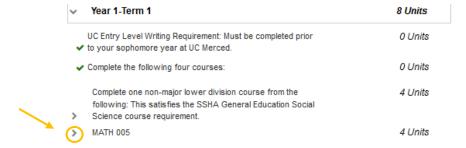
On your plan, you will see the courses that were moved over. Courses that give you a selection to choose a course from will not move over, and you will need to add those courses yourself.

Note: some courses require pre-requisites (ex: WRI 001), so you will need to manually <u>add these courses</u>.

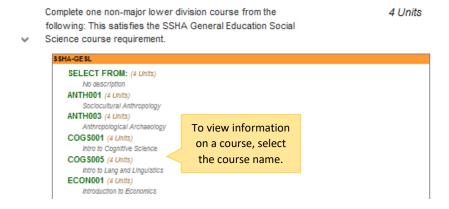


Adding Courses by Dragging

Click the arrow next to requirement you want to plan a course for.



This will show you the course or courses you can take to meet the requirement.



To move a course to your plan, click the course name and drag it to the right side. Make sure to position it directly over the semester name you want to move it to. This should highlight the semester blue, then you can release the course.

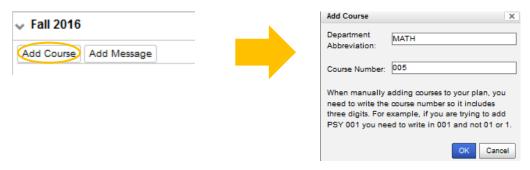


After dragging and releasing the course to a semester, the course will be displayed below the semester.



Adding Courses Manually

Another option to add a course is to click the Add Course button and manually add the course by name.

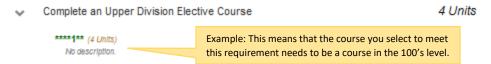


After manually adding the course, it will be displayed directly below the semester.

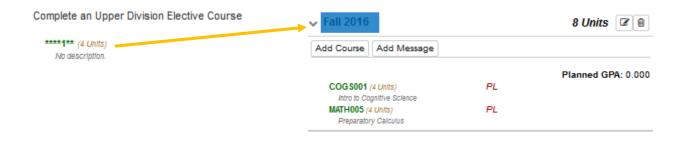


Adding Wildcard Courses

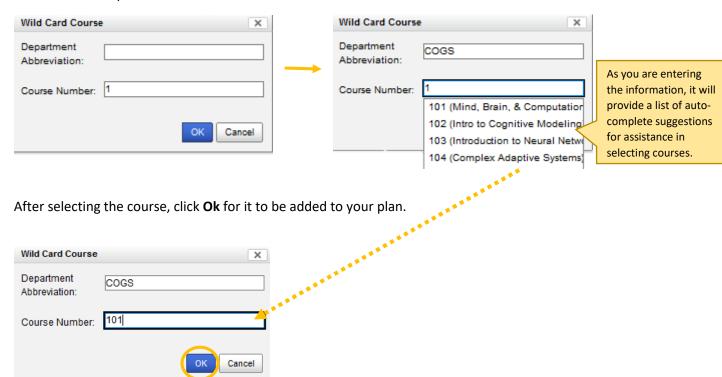
Some requirements display asterisks (***) instead of a course number and/or name. There are different types of wildcard courses so make sure to look at the requirement name to get more information.



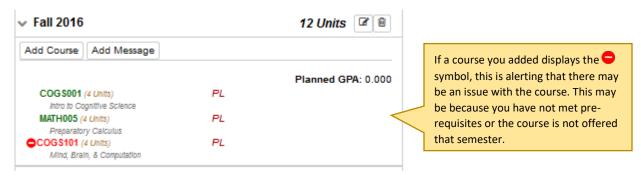
To add a wildcard course to your plan, drag the wildcard and release on the semester you prefer. After releasing the wildcard course to a semester name, a popup will appear asking you to enter desired course information.



Depending on the type of wildcard course it will ask you for one or both of the following: **department abbreviation** and/or **course number**.



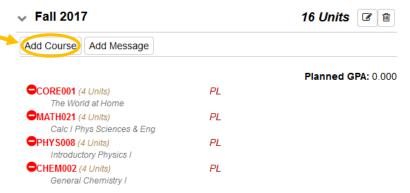
If the course was added successfully, it will appear on your plan under the semester you placed it on.



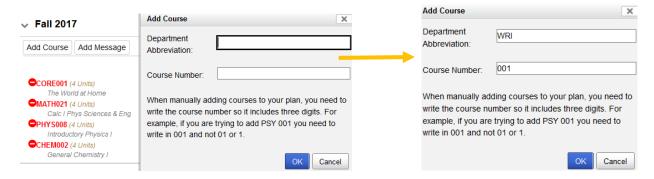
Adding Preparatory Courses

The roadmaps do not include prep courses and if you have not passed the placement tests or taken the courses you will receive an error. If you need to take CHEM 001, MATH 005, or WRI 001 you will need to manually add them.

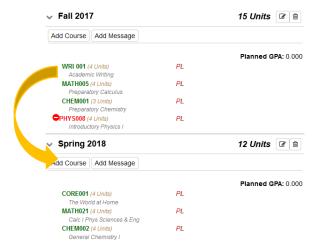
Select the **Add Course** button under the semester where you want to add the course.



This will display a pop-up window where you can write in the course you want. Type in the department abbreviation (such as WRI) and the course number (such as 001).



Once the course is added to the semester you want it on, drag and move the course that needed the prerequisite to a future semester.



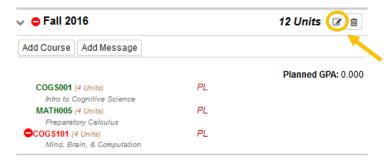
If the course is not automatically changed to green and displays as red, click the check mark button to update your plan. Click on the error image as well to see if there are other issues with the course.



How do I delete courses from my plan?

Delete Individual Courses

To delete a course from your plan, select the edit button to the right of the semester name.



Click on the box(es) of the course(s) that you want to delete and then select the red delete button.



It will ask you to verify if you want to delete the course. Click Yes and the course will be deleted.



Delete All Courses

To delete all courses, select the remove all button [—] under the plan name.



It will ask you to verify if you want to delete all course. Click Yes and the courses will be deleted.



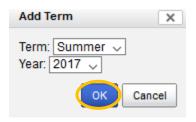
How do I add or delete a term?

Add a Term

To add a term, such as a summer term, click the add term button [+] under the plan name.



A pop up will appear asking you what term and year you want to add. Select the corresponding term and year. Click **Ok**.



Delete a Term

To delete a term, select the trash icon to the right of the term name.



It will ask you to verify if you want to delete the term. Click yes and the term will be deleted.



How do I make a plan with a minor?

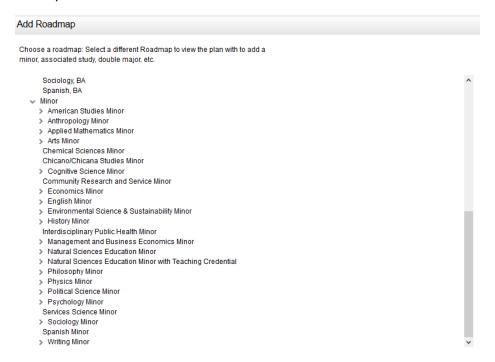
First, begin planning your courses using your major roadmap. Once you are ready to add a minor roadmap, select the add roadmap icon .



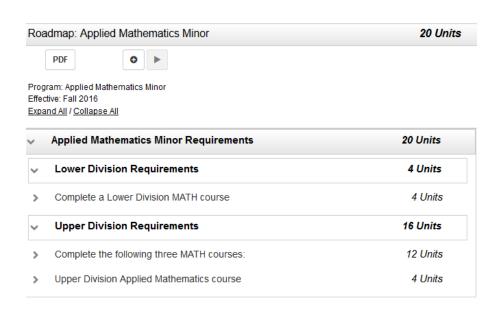
Program: Management and Business Economics, BS

Effective: Fall 2016

This will redirect you to a list of roadmaps you can add. Scroll down to the list of minors and select the minor you want to add.



After selecting the minor roadmap, you will be able to add more courses to your plan. You are only able to plan from one roadmap at a time, so the first roadmap you were using will no longer be displayed.



If you need to go back to your major roadmap to make edits, select the associated roadmaps icon.



This will provide a clickable link for you to be able to open your first roadmap. You can use this function to go back and forth from both roadmaps to make your plan.



Note: If you intend to add a minor, make sure to meet with your academic advisor.

How do I make a plan with more than one major?

First, plan your courses using your primary major's roadmap.

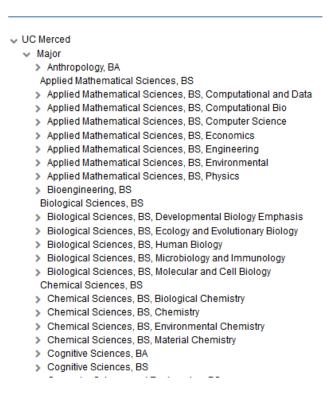
Once you are ready to add a second roadmap, select the add roadmap icon



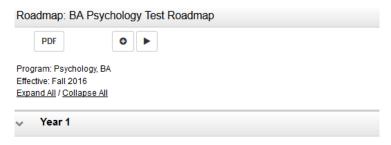
Program: Management and Business Economics, BS

Effective: Fall 2016
Expand All / Collapse All

This will redirect you to a list of roadmaps you can add. Select the second roadmap you want to add; if you see more than one option for your selected major make sure to choose your correct catalog year.



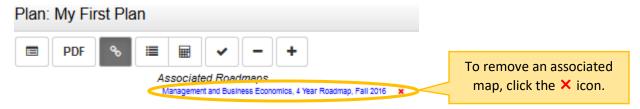
After selecting the major roadmap, you will be able to add more courses to your plan. You are only able to plan from one roadmap at a time, so the first roadmap you were using will no longer be displayed.



If you need to go back to your first roadmap to make edits, select the associated roadmaps icon.

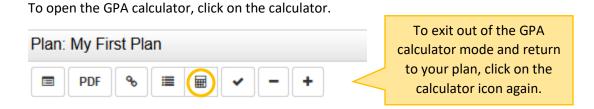


This will provide a clickable link for you to be able to open your first roadmap. You can use this function to go back and forth from roadmaps to make your plan.



Note: If you intend to add a second major, make sure to meet with your academic advisor.

How do I use the GPA calculator?



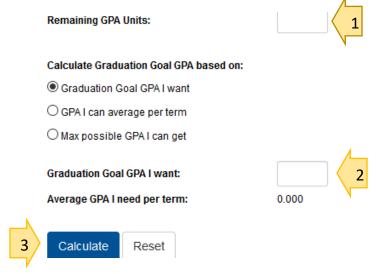
The GPA Calculator will appear on the right side, and your plan will move to the left.



Graduation Goal GPA I want

You can set a goal GPA that you want for graduation.

First, enter the remaining units you have to finish your degree. Then, enter the graduation goal you want and select the blue Calculate button.



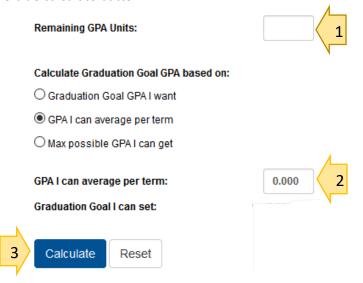
This will generate the average GPA you need per term to meet your graduation goal GPA. If you think this is a feasible GPA, you get set it as your set graduation goal GPA.



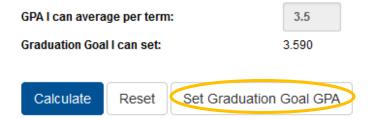
Graduation Goal GPA I can Set

You can set the average GPA you want each term and this will generate the graduation goal you can set.

First, enter the remaining units you have to finish your degree. Then, enter the GPA you can average each term and select the blue calculate button.



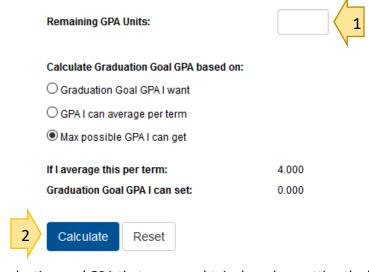
This will generate the graduation goal you set based on the average GPA you said you can have each term. If you think this is a feasible GPA, you can set it as your set graduation goal GPA.



Max Possible GPA I Can Set

You can calculate the max possible GPA you can receive.

First, enter the remaining units you have to finish your degree and then select the blue calculate button.

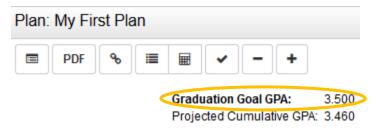


This will generate a graduation goal GPA that you can obtain, based on getting the highest possible 4.0 GPA each semester. If you think this is a feasible GPA, you can set it as your set graduation goal GPA.



Graduation Goal GPA

You can only select one Graduation Goal GPA from the options provided previously. The GPA you chose will be displayed below the Plan icons. This is only intended for planning purposes.



Change Grade of a Planned Course

When you add a course it will list the grade as PL. You are able to change the grade to a hypothetical grade to view how your GPA would be changed based on the grades you wish to obtain.

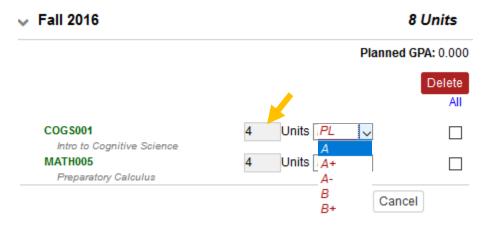




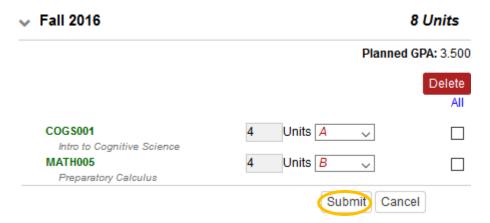
To change a grade, select the edit button to the right of the semester name. You can only edit courses for one semester at a time.



Select the drop down option of the course you want to change. Chose a grade from the list.



Once you have changed the grades for the course(s), click the submit button to save your changes.



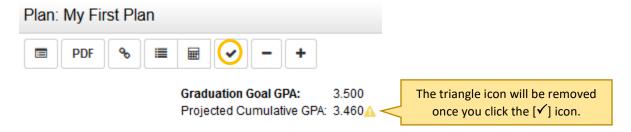
After submitting your changes, you will see the letter grade instead of PL.

COGS001(4 Units)
Intro to Cognitive Science
MATH005(4 Units)
Preparatory Calculus

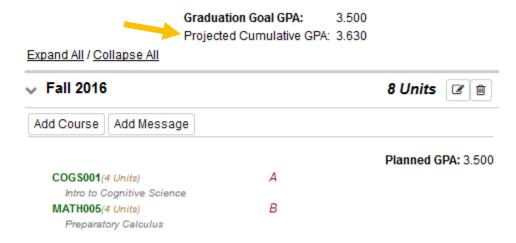


Planned GPA: 3.500

To have your GPA be updated with the grades you changed, click the Check Plan $[\checkmark]$ icon.



After selecting the Check Plan $[\checkmark]$ icon, you will see your projected cumulative GPA change based on your hypothetical grades.

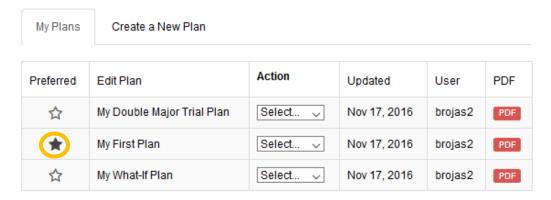


Note: These are <u>unofficial GPA projections</u> that are only meant for your Plan Builder usage. It may not account for institutional repeat policies or transfer grade policies. Be sure to see the <u>university catalog</u> or your academic advisor for specific information on courses or planning your GPA.

How do I select my preferred plan?

If you have created multiple plans, you need to select your preferred plan. This is the plan that you currently intend to follow and will be used by your advisor.

To choose a preferred plan, select the star icon to the left of the plan you want.



Note: You can change your preferred plan at any time.

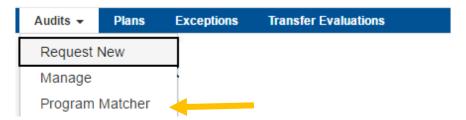
Program Matcher

What is Program Matcher?

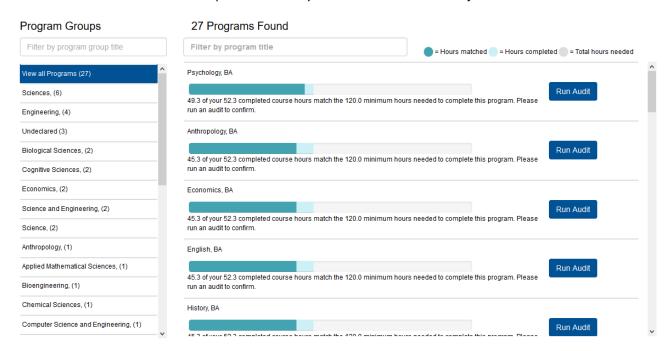
Program matcher is meant to help students determine what major may be a good fit for them based on their academic coursework. You can see which Program's requirements best fit your completed and current coursework. Program Matcher also shows you how many units match with units required for each specific major and how many more units you would need to meet those requirements.

How do I use Program Matcher?

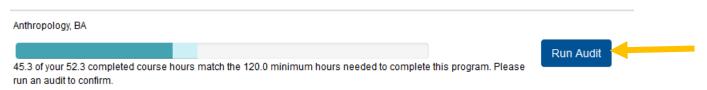
Go to the audits tab and select Program Matcher. This will redirect you to the program matcher tool.



Here you can see which degree programs you are closer in completing. You can also create a What-If audit to see more in detail what specific courses you would need for the major.



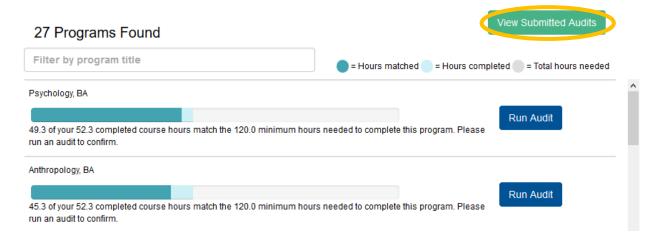
Look through the list and chose a major you would be interested in. Select the Run Audit button. This will run a What-If audit for the major you are interested in.



You may see a popup appear in the top right, that shows you have submitted an audit.



Once your audit has been submitted, a green **View submitted Audits** button will appear on the right side. Click the button to be redirected to your completed audits.



The audit you ran should be the first audit on your list if you have previously ran audits. Click on the audit name or on **View Audit** to open the audit.

Completed Audit Requests These are the audits that have been run in the past for this student's record. Hitting the "Run Audit" button will run a new audit report. Deleting audits removes them from this list. Run Audit Delete Audit Course ID Program Catalog Year → Created Run By Type Type 7250747 U1BA_ANTH Fall 2016 12/02/2016 3:27 PM HTML brojas2 7250745 U1BA_PSY Fall 2015 12/02/2016 12:06 PM HTML brojas2 П

Note: Make sure to run a what-if audit for a program you are interested in to be able to view requirements and meet with your academic advisor. Do not rely solely on Program Matcher.