OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

- Team of Professional Advisors
  - Brian Gillette, Director of Student Success
  - Raven-Brittney Green
  - Emily Johnson
  - Ibrahim Kargbo
  - Maria Perez
  - Chris Williams
WHAT MAKES UP CHHS?

College of Health & Human Services
Dean’s Office

Office of Student Affairs

Nursing
Global and Community Health
Health Administration and Policy
Nutrition and Food Studies
Social Work

Location: Peterson Family Health Sciences Hall
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Community Health
- Health Administration and Policy
- Nursing
- Social Work
COMMUNITY HEALTH

- Prepares students to protect and improve the health and well-being of individuals, families, communities, and populations—locally and globally—by developing and implementing evidence-based health promotion and disease prevention programs and policies.
  - Optional Concentrations
    - Clinical Science
    - Global Health
    - Nutrition

- Program Overview
NURSING

- Prepares students to deliver superior nursing care and provide leadership in nursing in the increasingly complex and challenging field of modern health care.
  - Traditional BSN
  - Accelerated Second Degree BSN
  - RN to BSN
  - Co-Enrollment BSN (BCE) and Military Veterans (VCE)

- Competitive selection, admission process
  - Second-gate application required
  - Research all eligibility requirements before applying
  - Full Application and Admission Guidelines
SOCIAL WORK

- Prepares students to be innovative social work leaders, scholars, and practitioners in a competency-, skills-, and strengths-based learning environment. Students gain hands-on experience with diverse populations and communities.

- Students must complete second-gate application during their junior year in order to be fully admitted into the major and allowed to enroll in the senior year practicum courses

- [Full Application and Admission Guidelines](#)
HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

- Prepares students to launch management careers in a variety of settings, including but not limited to:
  - Hospitals, Clinics, Senior Housing/Assisted Living, Home Care, Information Technology, Medical Technology, Insurance Industry, and Consultant Services

- Three Concentrations
  - Assisted Living/Senior Housing Concentration
  - Health Informatics
  - Health Systems Management

- Program Overview and Requirements
CHHS MINORS

- Aging Studies
- Food Systems
- Global Health
- Health Information Technology
- Health and Social Policy
- Nutrition
- Public Health
- Social Work

Important Details about Minors and Certificates

- Usually 15-21 credits
- Will need to have at least 8 credits of unique coursework that do not apply to other degree requirements
- HIT requires 12 unique credits
STEPS FOR SUCCESS

- Meet with your advisor.
- Utilize key Mason websites
- Be familiar with important policies.
- Get involved.
- Take advantage of the student resources at Mason.
WHAT IS ACADEMIC ADVISING?

Academic Advising at Mason is an integral part of the educational and developmental process that enhances student success by supporting, teaching, and connecting students to curricular and co-curricular experiences.
SCHEDULING AN ADVISING APPOINTMENT

- All undergraduate students are advised in the Office of Student Affairs, College of Health and Human Services (CHHS)

- Students should initiate a meeting with an academic advisor at least once a semester.

- Until further notice, all advising appointments are via Zoom (online or phone)

- Appointments can be made by:
  - Scheduling online via Navigate Mason (https://gmucampus.eab.com/)
    - Choose College of Health & Human Services, Office of Student Affairs
  - Sending an email to chhs@gmu.edu
  - Calling the Office of Student Affairs in CHHS at 703-993-1901
DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

▪ Minimum total credits: 120

▪ Mason Core Requirements
  ▪ [https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/](https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)
  ▪ No equivalents for ENGH 302 from a 2-year college

▪ Program or Departmental Requirements

▪ Major and Concentration Requirements
  ▪ A grade of “C” or better is required.
  ▪ Some majors require C+ or higher

▪ General Electives vs. Major Electives
DEGREE REQUIREMENTS CONTINUED

- **Pre-Requisites (Required vs. Recommended)**
  - Course(s) a student must complete before registering for a class

- **Co-Requisites**
  - Course a student must take at the same time as another course

- **45 Upper division credits (300 and 400 level):**
  - All courses taken at a community college are lower division and cannot count toward this requirement.

- **Residency Requirement**
  - At least one-fourth (30 credits) of the total credits applied to the degree must be completed at Mason after admission into the program and include at least 12 upper-level credits in the major.
STAYING ON TRACK

- To maintain good academic standing, you must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.0
  - Academic Standing is determined by attempted credits and GPA
    - this includes transfer credits, withdrawals, and repeats
  - Academic Sanctions include: Warning, Probation, Suspension, and Dismissal
  - Warning and Probation: Limited to 13 credit hours
  - Student Retention Table is available at catalog.gmu.edu
TRANSFER CREDITS AND MATH PLACEMENT

- When meeting with your Academic Advisor to plan your schedule, please mention:
  - Classes you are currently enrolled in this semester
  - Any AP, DE, IB classes you have previously taken
    - We do not want you to repeat any class you have already taken
  - Please review our [Transfer Credit Policy](#)

- MATH Classes
  - Depending on major, students *may* take either MATH 106 or STAT 250
    - MATH Placement Test is not needed for MATH 106 and STAT 250 😊
DESIGNING YOUR SCHEDULE

Academic Load
- Part-time – less than 12 credits
- Full-time – at least 12 credits
- 12-15 credits = same tuition cost
- Credit limit (18)

Course delivery
- Online, in-person, hybrid
- Asynchronous and Synchronous

Summer
- Condensed classes (ex. 5 weeks vs. standard 15 weeks)
- Internships, volunteering, or professional experience
- Study Abroad
MANAGING YOUR TIME

12 credit course load = 12 hours in class

Homework and studying (2 to 3 hours per credit) = 24 to 36 hours

Total time per week = 36 to 48 hours
All communication with university staff should come from GMU email; faculty/staff will not respond to non-university emails

Students should check email at least once per day

Students can add MasonLive email account to their smartphone via directions through the ITS Website
PATRIOT WEB

- Register for classes
- View Degree Evaluation
- View Transfer Credit Evaluation
- Official Midterm and Final Grades
- Order/View Transcripts
- Personal Information
- Financial Aid Information

- Guide for How to
  - Register for Classes

patriotweb.gmu.edu
# Communication 101
Fundamentals of Communication

Please select the classes you wish to include.

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DEGREE EVALUATION

Log into Patriot Web → Student Services → Student Records → Degree Evaluation Menu →
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**Disclaimer**
This evaluation is provided for advisement. It is not an official evaluation. Please report any additions or corrections to your advisor.

**Legend**
- Complete
- Complete except for classes in-progress
- Transfer Class
- Requires Prerequisite
- Any course number
- Course Range
- Nearly complete - see advisor
- Not Complete
- Confidential
### Bachelor of Social Work

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GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT (GAA) WAIVER

- All students receiving the GAA Mason Core Waiver must still complete ENGH 302.
- The waiver ensures you get at least 60 transfer credits.
- If you think you earned the waiver but it isn’t showing on your degree evaluation, follow-up with admissions.
BLACKBOARD

- Site some professors may use for:
  - Lectures/Notes
  - Assignment Instructions/Guidelines
  - Online Quizzes/Exams
  - Grades
  - Other Resources

mymason.gmu.edu
IMPORTANT ACADEMIC POLICIES

- Permission to Study Elsewhere
- Repeat Course Policy
- Withdrawal from Courses
  - Dropping vs. withdrawing
- Changing Majors
- Leave of Absence
- Honor Code
- [Full List of Academic Policies](#)
FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

▪ Provides protection for student educational records.
▪ No family member, friend, or third-party person is allowed access to a student’s information without approval from the student.
▪ Students are responsible for being familiar with and understanding any and all university and college policies.
▪ Detailed information can be found on registrar.gmu.edu
INVolVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- CHHS Student Organizations
- Honor Societies
- Clubs (academic, service, social)
  - Mason 360
- Professional Organizations
- Intramural/Club Sports
- Student Leadership
  - Patriot Leaders, Mason Ambassadors, Student Government
UNIVERSITY RESOURCES

- Career Services
- Center for Culture, Equity, and Empowerment (CCEE)
- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
- Disability Services
- Dining Services
- Global Education (Study Abroad)
- Housing & Residence Life
- Learning Services
- Library
- Mason Student Services Center
- Student Financial Aid
- Student Health Services
- Student Support and Advocacy Center
- Writing Center
REMINDERS

- Submit Final Transcript after final grades are posted
- Submit your Immunization Records
- Follow up with Financial Aid if needed
- Tuition is due by the first day of spring semester (January 25th)
  - Contact Student Accounts for payment related questions
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