

Finding Advising Tips

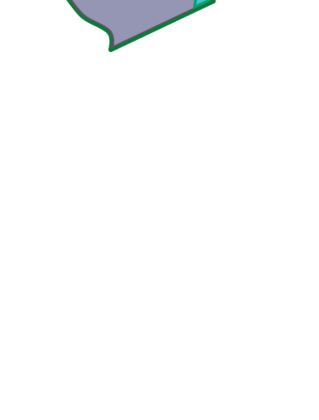
I hear from many people that they find the advising tips helpful. They tell me they print them off to have on hand for reference when working with students. I'm so glad many of you find these helpful! I do have all the Advising Tips in one place for you to find so you don't have to print them off each time. Let me explain a couple of things first:

You probably don't know this, but I send out two versions of each tip: one for my arts & sciences advisors and one for advisors outside the College. This is due to slight differences in some policies based on College. When there are differences, the tips for those outside my college refer readers to their individual advising offices/deans offices for more information.

If you have been on the distribution list for a while, you probably notice that I re-send some tips every so often. Some of these tips get updated with new policy or information before I re-send them; some don't really change a lot.

So, all this is to explain how to find Advising Tips online. On the College of Arts & Sciences website (<https://cas.appstate.edu/faculty-staff/advising-information/advising-tips>) all the tips are listed in two columns, one for arts & sciences advisors and one for other areas. Make sure you read the right one as there may be subtle differences. Additionally, please know that I don't update these constantly. As I determine which tips I will send in a given semester, I will update those or add the new ones; however, I do not go back and review them all. I will try to update this page each summer but things do change, so just be aware that if you are unsure of something you should ask your advising office or deans office for clarification. I will also try to start dating these somewhere so everyone will know the last time I touched them for updates.

For those of you who are having trouble with the attachment opening as a tiny postage stamp, these tips on the website appear to all open normal size. I have no idea why this is happening to some of the tips when I email them. I apologize, but I and our IT staff can't figure it out. The website can help you.



What constitutes full-time enrollment?

Fall/spring semesters: For undergraduate students a full-time course load is at least 12 semester hours but no more than 18 semester hours.

Summer terms: For undergraduate students a full-time summer term is at least 6 semester hours but no more than 7 semester hours in one summer term. (Two summer terms are offered each summer.)

While 12 hours is considered full-time, students should be aware that in order to reach 122 hours in 8 semesters (4 years of regular fall/spring attendance), they should average 15.25 hours per semester!