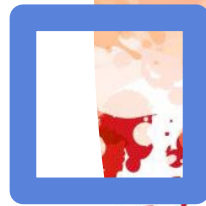


Academic Programs

The academic experience at Etown from first year to graduation.





Introduction

- **Dr. Jodi L. Lancaster**
- **Associate Provost for Student Learning and Dean of Faculty**

Rapid Introductions

- **Find someone you don't know.**
- **Take one minute to introduce yourself to your partner and then have your partner introduce themselves to you.**
- **Share one joy and one sadness associated with today**

Outline

- **Academics**
 - **General information**
 - **Core program**
 - **First-year Seminar**
- **Academic support systems for students**
- **Myth busting**
- **Answer your questions**

Academics at Etown – Comprehensive College

- **Educate for Service - learning is most noble when used to benefit others**
- **Liberal arts core program coupled with majors that emphasize professional and applied skills**
- **College offers 60+ major programs, 40+ minor programs**
- **Strengths-based institution - CliftonStrengths assessment**



Academic Schools

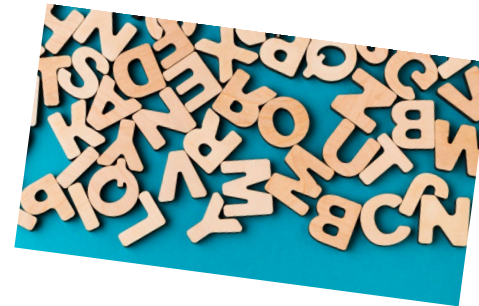
- **Arts and Humanities**
- **Business**
- **Engineering and Computer Science**
- **Public Service**
- **Sciences and Health**
- **Graduate and Professional Studies**

Liberal Arts Core Program

- **1. Provide a sense of mission and purpose to general education**
- **2. Provide foundation for successful study in liberal are and professional programs**
- **3. Integrate knowledge across disciplines**
- **4. Develop habits of mind that foster continued intellectual growth (i.e. a passion for life-long learning)**

Liberal Arts Core Program

- **Exposure to a wide-range of courses and programs:**
 - **First-Year Seminar (FYS)**
 - **Power of Language**
 - **English (PLE)**
 - **“Other”**: ancient/modern languages (PLO)
 - **Mathematics (MA)**
 - **Creative Expressions (CE)**
 - **Western Cultural Heritage (WCH)**
 - **Non-Western Cultural Heritage (NCH)**
 - **Natural and Physical Sciences (NPS)**
 - **Humanities (HUM)**



One course must also be Guided Writing and Research (GWR).

Signature Learning Experiences

- **Supervised Research**
- **Internships, Field Placements, or Practicums**
- **Capstone Course, Project, or Portfolio**
- **Community-Based Learning**
- **Cross-Cultural Experience**

Students complete two experiences prior to graduation.

First Year Seminar (FYS) – Student Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate understanding of the academic expectations of college life.**
- Demonstrate critical thinking, reading, and composing skills.**
- Develop informative, inclusive public speaking skills and deliver an effective formal presentation.**
- Apply introductory information literacy skills based on instruction by a librarian to course assignments.**
- Relate their opportunities for learning outside the classroom to their academic courses, personal interests, and intended program of study.**

First Year Seminar (FYS)

- **Each includes College skills development and a particular topic/content area**
- **FYS instructor serves as the Academic Advisor**
- **Each FYS also assigned at least one Peer Mentor**
- **Instructor and peer mentor work together to support students and develop a sense of belonging**

First-Year **PATHWAY**

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All students in their first year at Etown, including new transfer students, should use this pathway to successfully navigate their first year. Complete the milestones, think about the questions, and set yourself up for success.

New Student Orientation



Enjoy meeting your peers, learning about Etown, and exploring this new community during New Student Orientation.

School Welcome Sessions



During your first week on campus, you'll get to meet the Dean along with faculty from your School. Please know our faculty are available to provide extra support to help you succeed!

Exploration Stations



Learn about your skills, strengths, and interests as well as the resources available to assist you in working toward and clarifying your path and purpose.

Advising Day and Majors & Minors Fair



Learn about the many majors and minors that Etown offers. Meet with faculty in your intended major for advising and to create a plan for course registration.

Course Registration



Prepare to register for your next semester's courses by participating in a peer mentor-led roundtable, using the degree and core planners, and meeting with your School faculty and academic advisor.

Finals



Reflect on all that you have learned and accomplished this semester. Celebrate the success that you have had and consider your goals for next semester.

First Year Seminar (FYS)

And many more!!!

Support Systems

- **Academic Advising:** Every student is assigned a major (and minor) advisor(s) and must meet with their advisor at least once a semester.
- **Center for Student Success:** Academic Advising, Learning Zone, Writing Wing, Disability Services
- **Campus Wellness Network**
- **Counseling Services**
- **Career Services:** Career Action Plan



**Studying the same way
that I did in high
school will work just
as well in College.**

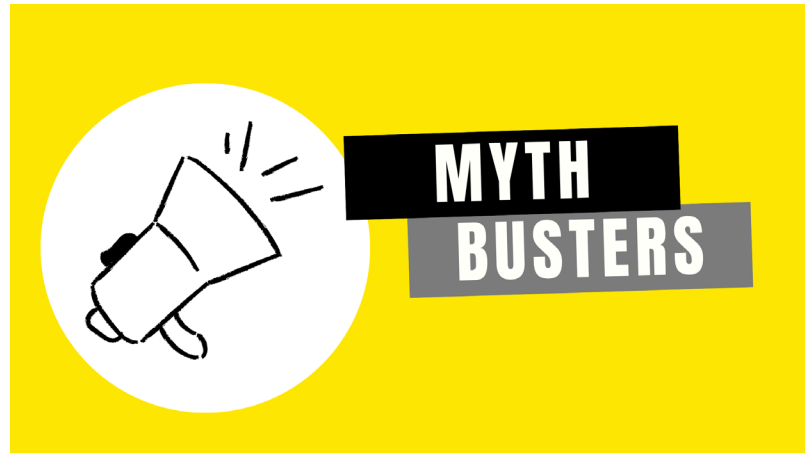
**I should already know
what I am going to do
after graduation.**

**I'm the only one who is
homesick and misses their
pet(s).**

**I can't change my major (or
drop a course) because that
is viewed as quitting.**

**I can't possibly go to my professor
for help, they know what I earned
on that last exam (or quiz, or
assignment).**

**I must have a great
first academic
semester.**



Questions...



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12-1:45 pm – Lunch & Explore: Meet up with your student & then...

Visit the **Resource Fair** to learn about resources & meet Etown staff, *Brossman Commons KAV*

Talk to the Academic Advising team about **Schedule Questions**, *Brossman Commons, 2nd floor*

Tour our **Residence Halls**, *leave from Brossman Commons concourse, 1st floor*

Visit the **College Store**, *Brossman Commons, 1st floor*

Student athletes, visit your coach, *Thompson Gym*

Get your **ID picture** taken, *Leffler Chapel*

Enjoy **lunch** sometime during this timeframe – *Brossman Commons, 2nd floor*

1:45 pm – our next session begins in Leffler Chapel

1:45 pm – An Insider's Guide to Etown (hear from current Etown students)

2:15 pm – Empowering Success: Expectations, Autonomy and Growth

3 pm – Until August