Psychology Advising Newsletter Welcome Back!

Hello Psychology Majors,

We are excited to welcome you into the Fall 2021 semester! We are excited to see you around campus!

Please keep in mind that Monday, August 23rd is the first day of classes. You have until Friday, August 27th to add any new classes and until Tuesday, October 5th to drop any of your classes. You can see all academic dates on the Registrar's Office website <u>here</u>. Please be cautious about making changes, and make sure that a change will not adversely affect your path to graduation.

Due to the current delta variant, we will not have in-person advising appointments for the first few weeks of the semester. We will evaluate this in the coming weeks and may open some in-person advising at a later date. We will be meeting with all students by Appointment, in Zoom, for the time being.

During the first week of class, we would like to meet only with students who have a time-sensitive situation, such as fall 2021 course scheduling. If you have a timesensitive issue, please schedule an appointment as soon as possible. If you want to talk about other issues and course planning for the future, and it doesn't affect your fall 2021 plans, we ask that you wait and schedule your appointment after August 27th. You can find directions for how to make an appointment in Navigate <u>here</u>.

As a reminder, you can send generic questions to <u>psycadvising@vt.edu</u> and more specific questions to your specific academic advisor. You can determine who your academic advisor is by going to HokieSpa and selecting "View your General Student Information".

We hope you have a fun and safe start to the semester! Courtney Glass, Christina Minford & Kurt Hoffman



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Upcoming Dates/Events:

- 8/23 1st day of all classes (online, hybrid, face-to-face)
- 8/23 Last day to resign from the semester to avoid tuition/fee charges.
- 8/27 Last Day to Add Classes to your Schedule
- 8/14-9/4: <u>Welcome Week</u> <u>Events</u> (in-person & virtual); First Year & Sophomores, check your Hokies on Track App for details
- 9/4: Gobbler Fest
- 9/6: Labor Day (No Classes University Closed)

Checksheet/DARs Information

- The Psychology Major Checksheet for students graduating in 2022 & 2023 and students who entered in Fall 2020 & Fall 2021 can be found <u>here</u>. It is the same checksheet for all of the above.
- As always, you can run a DARs report. We updated the document as the Pathways Planner got a new name, DARS and Hokie GPS:
 - We have created a document to help you decipher the DARs Report <u>here</u>.
 - There are also some videos for academic planning <u>here</u>.

PSYC Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors- Please Apply for Degree

• It is incredibly important that you Apply for your Degree so that you are reading an accurate

DARs and for future course scheduling.



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Take Courses Elsewhere Over the Summer?:

You need to send those credits back to Virginia Tech!

You will need to request an official transcript from the college you took courses at to be sent to Virginia Tech.
Please have them send it to the VT Registrar's Office:

Office of the University Registrar

Mail Code 0134

Student Services Building Suite 250

800 Washington St., SW

Blacksburg, Virginia 24061

United States of America

Phone: 540-231-6252

Email: <u>registrar@vt.edu</u>

• Please know that it may take 3 or more weeks for the Registrar to process your transcript as they have 1,000s

coming in

Winter Session:

- Add/Drop is open for December 2021 January 2022 Winter classes.
- Many of the winter options are virtual but there are a few in peson.
- Check out Winter Sessions page <u>here</u>.

