

Additional content for the June 10, 2025 Tulane Family Webinar, “Supporting Your Student Through Academic Planning and Course Registration.”

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Question
What score does a student need (IB/AP) to count as credit in the Proficiency category? 4 or higher. See this chart: Credit by Exam
for the Writing requirement - can you clarify what determines AP credit? is it a certain score on the exam or completion of AP Comp? Credit is awarded based on receiving the appropriate score on the listed exam.
where do students see the full course catalog? They can go to https://catalog.tulane.edu/ to see all available classes, they would look at the Schedule of Classes Tool.
My son said he tried to set up a meeting for advising but they're all full and he was told to check back in tomorrow. Is this the norm? You have to check in each day to see if you can get an appointment? There are plenty of openings in the later half of the month period. Likely they were asking about earlier times.
Can we change major of interest? Yes, this can be updated during the session. For pre med do we need to meet with premed advisor to be able to enroll in classes Pre-health advising is just a resources students can use to make sure they are in line with post-grad plans (in terms of courses and extra-curriculars). It's not required to enroll in courses.
would you provide email address again at the end of the presentation- thank you Heather Cooper - hcooper2@tulane.edu, Patrick Long - plong2@tulane.edu, general questions: advising@tulane.edu
My child took the language placement test and placed into a 2040 spanish class. Does this mean she has fulfilled the 3 semester requirement because it is over 2030? Or how many classes of spanish does she need to take? The minimum is 2030. So if she takes 2040 she is done with one class. Students should sign up for the course they place into. The department doesn't want students to go lower than their placement. 2040 placement will qualify student to complete a proficiency exam in Spanish which, if passed, would earn credit by exam and complete the requirement. Students interested in this option should email language@tulane.edu after the 8/29/25 add deadline for testing schedule.
Do classes fill up quickly if my child meets with their advisor in July? Pre-registration distributes intro courses fairly evenly. With each day of sessions there are changes to course availability that occurs and more chances for openings in high demand classes (especially those w/o a waitlist). No real disadvantage to meeting in July and potential for sudden openings.
Is there an easy way to see which classes meet which distribution requirements? Is there an online link to a catalog of classes? We only see the registration form and can't see a list of classes. In the schedule of classes each course has a sub-box with attributes. This will show what it covers. You can also search by the "Curriculum" Requirement" filter.
Will students leave the June Advising session with their tentative 1st semester schedule? Yes And can they make changes to the pre-registration courses during that 1st Advisor session meeting also? Yes Or is that reserved for when the registration opens up again in July? They make initial adjustments during the session and then can make further adjustments later on.
where do you find FERPA form – here: https://registrar.tulane.edu/student-data/records-privacy and here: https://conduct.tulane.edu/ferpa-educational-records
Where do you upload the FERPA form to be on file - thank you! Students need to drop it off at each office. As a legal document we need to verify identity. Must be sent to all offices separately. We can accept a scanned version from the student's Tulane email account.
The catalog link says 2024-2025. Should there be a 2025-2026 link for current fall classes? Looking at it myself, it says 2025-2026. It was recently updated for the year. Current classes are in the Schedule of Classes. The catalog is all classes potentially offered in the past decade.
How do you get confirmation of your AP/Dual Enrollment credit after it is submitted You can see in the receipts of the College Board account that it was sent to us. Information Technology does a big pull of all AP/IB score reports and posts to records in August. Before they show up on the audit, which is a tool for tracking progress towards graduation available to all students on their student tab in Gibson.

what is penji? It's the scheduling platform we use for Summer Advising Sessions. Students got instructions on how to use it to sign up.
Sorry missed it if you said it where do the ferpa forms get submitted? See above
How come some classes say N/A for waitlist? It means waitlist functionality is not available. Usually this is due to the course having a co-requisite. Waitlists are not available for courses with labs or recitations.
We have a FERPA signed already - can we email that to you, or does the student need to fill this out again at Tulane? See above links. It needs to be sent directly from the student to the individual offices they want information released from.
For AP language students are test out thresholds based on performance on the AP? If they get a 4 or higher on an AP language they get credit and are not required to take a Foreign Language at Tulane
when the "summer Appoitment" will take palce for spring scholars? 2026 Spring Scholars should be working with Destiny as they plan out their fall plans. They will meet with our advising team one on one in October to plan their first Tulane semester.
Can you switch a language you start after the first 1 or 2 semesters? How does that work for language credit? While you can switch, you still need to reach a 2030 level in something.
How early should a student meet with a study abroad advisor if they want to study abroad in the Fall of their third year? Early fall of Sophomore year is a good time to get things sorted. They will need to also declare their major prior to applying. Never too early to go to information sessions and events!
when the student signs up for the group advising appointment, can they sign up for any time slot or do they have to look for one with their major? They should go by major. The advisors are grouped based on areas of focus and have planned their sessions around the curriculum needs of that group.
To confirm understanding - they will be pre-registered for some courses, then they add a TIDES plus one other course. Can you explain how to navigate the catalog - particularly what courses would be appropriate for a freshman? Anything in the schedule of classes that is 1000-2000 level is considered introductory (some 3000 level classes are appropriate). You can find sample schedules here. Here is a video about navigating the schedule of classes.
It was mentioned that all students need to take 2 semesters of a language and/or place out of that. IS this true for Business students as well? Where do they find the test to place out of the 3 semesters of the language? All students need to reach 2030 (unless they are engineering or an international student whose high school language of instruction was not English). If a student starts a new language it take 3 semesters. Students with significant language background can sign up for a credit exam after August 29 th . It is not possible to sign up prior. I recommend students first complete the language placement to get an accurate assessment of their abilities. If they place beyond 2030, a credit exam route may be appropriate.
Can you please clarify how a 4 on AP Spanish will count towards Proficiency. Do they still need to take foreign language credits? If they get a 4 or higher on an AP language they get credit and are not required to take a Foreign Language at Tulane
How important is it to take SCEN 1400 Engineering? It says it is optional but what are you missing if you don't take it? Not super important. Looks like it isn't actually running this fall! We will update our sample schedules.
why are so many writing 1010 classes full already ENGL 1010 is one of the primary courses factored into pre-registration.
Our student is thinking of study abroad. Do they need to complete their foreign language requirement before they can do that? Answered this in the webinar, but not necessarily. I wouldn't put it off if they want to study in a country that speaks that language. It won't prevent them from going abroad.
Sorry I was unclear how you place for language level there regularly (other than AP/IB) such as if he had 3 yrs Spanish non AP in high school what level he would be there or be must take a placement test online?? Students should complete the language placement: https://liberalarts.tulane.edu/language-learning-center/students/placement
My son took 4 years of asl. He filled out the placement form and was placed in the first level asl course. Is that correct? That is a bit odd. Contact Professor Denise Crochet at crochet@tulane.edu
where can my student find the classes that have pre-registered for him? He is saying he cannot find and does not have an email that indicates where he should go to find. Thank you. It's listed under the Current Schedule tab in the Schedule of Classes when they are logged in. They will review them during the session.
If our student places into a certain foreign language level now but then does not take a foreign language class for another semester or two, will they retest to make sure they are still entering a class at the proper level? The placement sticks. If they would like to re-assess they can contact the listed department contact on the language placement website.

Can my child switch classes now, or must they meet with their scheduled advisor first? Students have to attend the advising session to have their hold lifted. They can and should go ahead and start thinking about potential changes.
Do they have to look everyday to make a change in schedule or is there a place holder w email that will alert to opening? Most courses can be waitlisted. See the “Adding Yourself to a Waitlist” portion of the Navigating Registration section of this website.
Where can you find worksheets about core curriculum requirements for the different schools? Core requirements are the same for all NTC students regardless of school. See here for more information.
I haven’t received an email yet about a summer advisor meeting. Are they still going out? Students have received 3 separate emails recently to their Tulane accounts. If they are not seeing the message, have them email Patrick Long (plong2@tulane.edu) and include their Tulane ID#.
If a student is on a waitlist after their advising appt will the waitlist move prior to July 14th? Yes, if their hold is back in place they can either email advising@tulane.edu, or join our Virtual Advising drop in sessions M-F from 3:00 to 5:00 to get it sorted.
If you took an AP psychology class (and got a 5) does that mean you can't take intro to psychology? Do you have to take a higher level class? or can you take the beginner level class if you want to You can only receive credit for intro psych once. It would be redundant (and likely boring) for a student with that score to retake. They don’t have to jump into a 3000 level psych class their first semester if they are nervous and could just focus on other major/minor/core classes.
Do students get a confirmation of their advising appointment Students get a confirmation from penji to their Tulane email upon booking and a reminder 30 minutes prior to their session.
I’m a little unclear about the counseling session. Is it with a group or individual meetings with the counselor Summer sessions are small groups. 2 advisors and 8-10 students (depending on major type). They will do a one on one ‘check out’ conversation with an advisor before they leave the session.
If it shows on the Tulane website that an AP class you took counts as credit, does that mean you can take one less class towards graduation? Yeah, basically. It counts towards that class credits and the overall credit minimum.
will the kids receive the curriculum checklist so they know if they choose an arts or music class first semester, for example, whether it will count for anything? They can view all this information prior to the meeting (majority is in the modules and our Incoming student page) and then talk it over in the session.
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