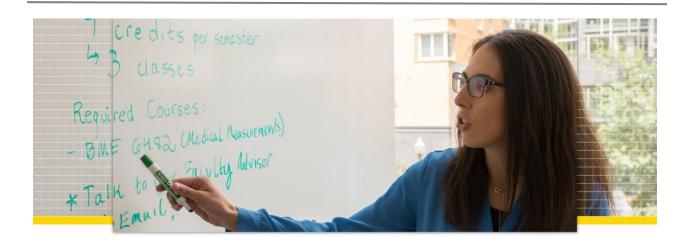


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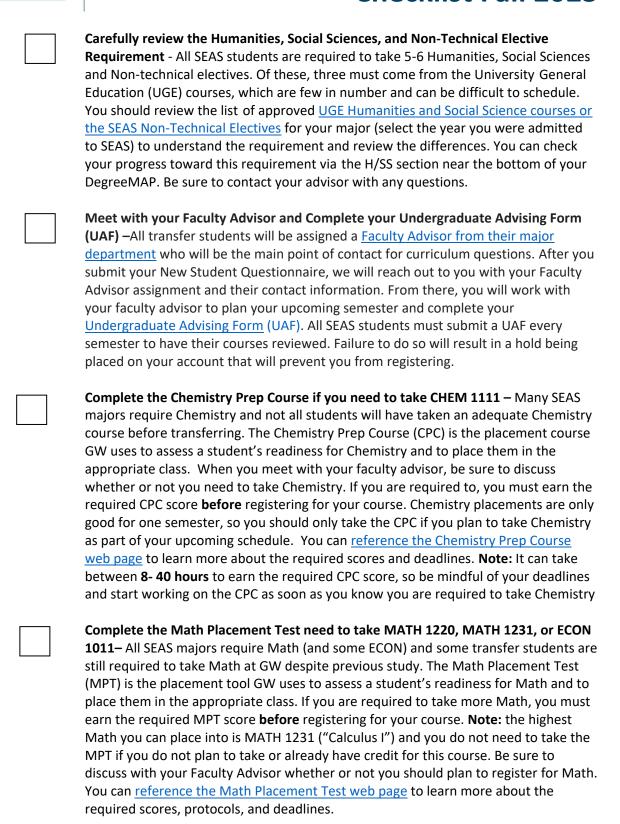
Welcome to the School of Engineering and Applied Science (SEAS) at The George Washington University. We've collected a set of important tasks and their due dates for you to be working on this summer. Stay on top of these to make sure your first semester goes as smoothly as possible. If you have questions about any of these, do not hesitate to contact our advisors at seasadvising@gwu.edu. We're always here to help.

All Transfer Students

Complete the New Student Orientation Module – The New Student Orientation module is your first introduction to GW and SEAS. It covers everything from academics and advising to extracurricular activities and career services. The module contains a lot of information, so feel free to tackle it in sessions. Take time away from the computer as necessary and do your best to retain the material. Click here to access the module.
Complete the SEAS New Student Questionnaire — This five-minute survey should be submitted after you've completed the New Student Orientation module and are comfortable with the material. You will use this questionnaire to let the SEAS Advising team know what your intended major is, what type of student you are, and opt into having a peer mentor. Once submitted, the advising team will use your answers to assign your Professional Advisor and the Faculty Advisor you will work with to plan the upcoming semester. Click here to start the New Student Questionnaire.
Review Your Degree Requirements and Transfer Courses – As you work to plan the upcoming semester, you should consult the <u>University Bulletin</u> for GW policies and the requirements for your specific major. External and internal transfer students can also <u>reference DegreeMAP</u> to see a semester-by-semester breakdown of their new requirements and how their past classes, whether from GW or another institution, are counted toward them.



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	(Optional) Complete a Foreign Language Placement Exam — SEAS does not require foreign language study, but some students may wish to take language classes toward their Humanities and Social Science requirements. If you would like to continue studying a language, please find and take the appropriate departmental placement exam and so you can include this course in your fall schedule. Both introductory and advanced foreign language courses may count toward your degree requirements depending on the credit you bring to GW. As always, consult with your advisor to determine what's best for you.	
External Transfer Students Only		
	Transfer Credit Evaluation – External transfer students will be provided with a "Transfer Credit Evaluation" from GW Admissions that details how the credits from your previous institution have been articulated at GW. Be sure to compare this evaluation to your DegreeMAP to make sure all expected credits have been applied, and have the form on hand when you meet with your faculty advisor in case any questions arise.	
	(Optional) Submit a Transfer Credit Approval Form – Occasionally, courses from other institutions will be transferred as a "Department 1099" course (e.g. ECE 1099). This means that there is no equivalent course here at GW. If you believe that the course was assessed incorrectly and that you've found and equivalent at GW, you can work with the department to have your credit reviewed. In order to facilitate this review, you should compile the following information about the course: To do this, submit a copy of the course syllabus for the external course, a copy of your transcript (including final grades) from your previous institution, and a completed Transfer Credit Approval Form to the department that houses the course here at GW (i.e. for ECE 1099, you would submit to Electrical and Computer Engineering). Once the department has reassessed your course and signed the form, you can submit both the form and your syllabus to your Professional Advisor.	
	(Optional) UW 1020 Exemption – All GW students are required to pass and introductory writing course called UW 1020. The requirements for UW 1020 are particularly strict and transfer students are often required to take UW 1020 despite having taken first-year writing at their previous institution. If you believe that your previous writing course should be counted toward this requirement, you can read more about the UW 1020 exemption process . You are able to petition the university to have your course meet the requirement but must submit writing samples and a syllabus to do so. Please note: most writing courses do not satisfy the requirements of UW 1020 and you should be aware that most UW 1020 exemptions are denied before you decide to complete one.	