

# Advising Sophomores

## **Experiential Learning:**

**Don't forget that each student must complete two experiential learning activities regardless of major.**

### Options:

- Credit-bearing internships: Sophomores may register their 1st internship for one credit (40 hours). But remember that a one-credit internships may not be counted toward a major requirement. Students are only allowed to complete 1 internship in any given semester during the academic year.
- Off-campus study abroad (*sophomore year is a great time to discuss this!*)
- Off-campus study in the US-must include fieldwork or an internship
- Student teaching (seniors only)
- Experiential learning seminars and service-based independent studies-separate from regular courses

## **Declaring a Major**

Students may declare a single major at any time by filling out the major declaration form found either on The Globe or in the Center for Academic and Career Advising. Please return the paperwork to that office.

- A student must declare a major by the seventh week of the semester in which they expect to earn 60 credits.
- A student who wishes to double major must file a double major proposal form with the registrar no later than the end of advising week of the first semester of the junior year. The student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 at the time of the proposal.
- A student who wishes to work towards an individualized major should see the Director of Academic and Career Advising to begin the process.

## **Declaring a Minor:**

- A minor can be a good way to study additional interests or to better prepare for graduate study or work after Wells. A student wishing to declare a minor must do so by the first day of classes of the first semester of their senior year
- The paperwork can be found on the Globe or at the Center for Academic and Career Advising
- Bring the Minor Declaration form to the Center for Academic and Career Advising
- An overall GPA of 2.0 or better must be earned in courses used toward the minor
- No more than 50% of the semester hours applied to the minor by also be applied to the major

## **Reminders on Add/Drop Policy:**

- Students with sophomore standing or higher who wish to take 18.5 to 21 semester hours in one semester, must file a petition with the Registrar's office. Students may not enroll in more than 21 semester hours in one semester.
- A course can be added within the first 10 class days of each semester, however, after five days the student requires permission of instructor.
- A course may be dropped (with no record on the transcript) through the 10th days of classes (the 5<sup>th</sup> day for 7-week classes).
- After the add/drop period ends, a student may withdraw from a class through the 9th week of classes by using the withdrawal form- a 'W' will appear on the transcript for that course
- After the 9th week of classes, and before the end of classes a student may petition to withdraw from a class, and will be granted either a 'W' for withdraw or a 'WF' for withdraw failing depending on grade.

Students must meet with their major advisor/s during advising week in order to be cleared on the globe for course registration.

**Extra Reminders:** Athletes must register for their sport in the semester that it's played.

Remember: The most accurate source of academic information is the course catalogue for the student's year.