
Academic Advising

Questions related to requirements in your major should be directed to your major adviser.
Visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/majoradvisers>.

Mission and Purpose

The Academic Advising Center works with the university community to encourage and promote student learning in a welcoming and supportive environment. We clarify university policies, procedures, and requirements to ensure student retention and timely graduation. The center staff facilitates academic responsibility and competence by educating students to use resources effectively.

Why Academic Advising Is Important

Completing the requirements for your degree in a timely manner requires planning. Academic advisers can help you develop your academic plan. Don't wait until you have a problem to see an adviser. Let the adviser help you prevent any problems. The sooner you make the decision about what your major will be, the better you can plan your academic program. There are many program choices available at SDSU. An adviser can assist you with this decision process. Choosing the major that is right for you and compatible with your life goals will enhance your academic success. Requirements, policies, and procedures may change from year to year. Advisers can clarify which changes may affect you and which will not.

Advising Is Available to Help Students

- Understand graduation requirements
- Develop an academic plan
- Evaluate transfer credit
- Choose or change a major
- Clear mathematics and writing requirements
- Remove probationary status to avoid disqualification
- File for graduation
- Prepare to enter a professional school (medical, dental, legal, etc.)
- Plan your next semester's schedule

Major Academic Plans (MAPs)

The MAPs Web site located at <http://www.sdsu.edu/mymap> was created to help first-time freshmen navigate the course requirements for their majors. The Major Academic Plans (MAPs) created for each major are not meant to encompass every major-specific requirement or a required sequencing of courses. Refer to this catalog for a complete description of requirements, including: course prerequisites, minimum grade requirements, unit limitations, and General Education approved courses and distribution requirements.

The MAPs will help you identify which General Education course will also fulfill a major preparation course requirement. They will also suggest sequencing to ensure that you complete prerequisites for an upper-division course prior to taking the higher-level course.

Questions about graduation requirements and General Education should be directed to the Academic Advising Center at 619-594-6668. You may also submit a general question through Academic Advice in the SDSU WebPortal. The Academic Advising Center is located in Student Services, Room 1551 (north of Aztec Center).

Visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/advising>.

What Are the Students' Responsibilities Regarding Advising?

Purchase a General Catalog. Know your catalog year (or years) for your General Education requirements and for your major requirements and be sure you have a copy of this catalog. Provided you maintain your enrollment at SDSU, this catalog or these catalogs establish the requirements you must complete for graduation. Details regarding catalog rights are listed under Graduation Requirements in this section of the catalog.

Use your degree evaluation. Your online degree evaluation, available at <http://www.sdsu.edu/portal>, provides an unofficial status report on your progress toward completing the graduation requirements for your major. Once you reach 90 units and apply for graduation, you will be sent an official graduation evaluation describing your remaining degree requirements. You can review your unofficial degree evaluation in the WebPortal to ensure that you are on track to graduate within your desired time frame. Don't risk a delay in graduation due to a missing graduation requirement.

See your adviser regularly. Don't wait until you encounter a problem before seeing an adviser. Check your degree progress regularly. If you plan to enter a professional school (medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine), see your preprofessional adviser during your first year at SDSU. Visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/preprof>.

Keep an advising file. Keep a personal copy of transcripts (official or unofficial) from each college or university you have attended in a file and bring it to your advising session. SDSU does not release copies of other schools' records. Evaluations, test scores, and other important academic information should also be kept in your personal advising file.

Plan your advising sessions during non-peak times. Advisers and advising centers are busiest during registration periods and the first weeks of classes. Avoid these busy advising times with a little planning. Faculty advisers (major advisers) are not always available during the summer months or between semesters.

File for graduation. Graduation is not automatic, you must file a graduation application during the stated graduation application periods. Filing early will assure a final graduation evaluation before your last semester of enrollment. It is recommended you file for graduation once you have passed 90 units.

Where To Go For Academic Advising

For general undergraduate advising regarding graduation requirements, General Education, competency requirements, probation and disqualification, and major selection, go to the Academic Advising Center, Student Services, Room 1551, 619-594-6668.

For advising in your undergraduate or graduate major, contact the adviser or advising center assigned to your major and class level. A more detailed listing follows. You may also visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/majoradvisers>.

For advising students in the Educational Opportunity Program, go to the Office of Educational Opportunity Programs/Ethnic Affairs, Student Services, Room 2209, 619-594-6298.

For general requirements for the master's or doctoral degrees (except for the major), contact the Division of Graduate Affairs, Student Services, Room 1410, 619-594-5213.

For teaching credential advising, contact the adviser assigned to your specific area. A more detailed listing follows. Teachers holding preliminary California credentials issued on the basis of programs completed at other universities or in other states, may secure program advising from the Credentials Processing Center, Business Administration, Room 250, 619-594-5964.

For specialized advising such as preprofessional advising (pre-medical, prelaw, etc.), contact the adviser assigned to your preprofessional area. A more detailed listing follows and can also be found at <http://www.sdsu.edu/preprof>.

New Student Orientation is conducted by the Office of New Student and Parent Programs, 619-594-1509, for new students (freshmen and transfers) and provides important pre-registration group advising. Visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/orientation>.

The following chart lists more specific information regarding the location and telephone numbers of SDSU academic advisers. A more complete directory of academic advisers at SDSU is available on the Web site at <http://www.sdsu.edu/advising>.

Advising Centers

Academic Advising Center 619-594-6668
 Student Services, Room 1551 FAX 619-594-1553

There are many types of advisers at SDSU. Advisers in the Academic Advising Center are available to help you understand SDSU graduation requirements, including General Education requirements and institutional policies and procedures. If you are undecided about a major, an adviser can help you develop an educational plan consistent with your life goals and objectives.

Major/faculty advisers for each major are available to help you plan your upper division course schedule, and provide you with advice about career options and graduate school. A directory of advisers, available at <http://www.sdsu.edu/majoradvisers>, provides a list of major advisers, preprofessional advisers, EOP advisers, and athletic advisers.

Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.;
 Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Graduation Requirements	University Academic
General Education	Policies and Regulations
Undeclared Students	Unofficial Evaluations
	Probation/Disqualification
	Advising

Educational Opportunity/Ethnic Affairs
 Student Services, Room 2209 619-594-6298
 Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PREPROFESSIONAL ADVISING

It is recommended that students contact their preprofessional adviser in their first semester at SDSU. Advisement for students planning to attend professional schools is available for the following programs:

Allied Health	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Pre dental	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Preeducation	
University Advising Center	
Student Services, Room 1641	..... 619-594-6668
Prelaw*	
Nasatir Hall, Room 130	..... 619-594-5028
Premedical	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Prenursing	
Hardy Tower, Room 54	..... 619-594-6527
Preoccupational Therapy	
Exercise and Nutritional Sciences, Room 331	..... 619-594-5161
Preoptometry	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Prepharmacy	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Prephysical Therapy, Exercise and	
Nutritional Sciences, Room 331	..... 619-594-5161
Prephysician Assistant	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Prepodiatry	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638
Presocial Work	
Hepner Hall, Room 148	..... 619-594-5803
Preveterinary Medicine	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	..... 619-594-6638

*Advisers in prelaw are not available during the summer months.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS

Assistant Dean	..... 619-594-6270
Arts and Letters, Room 202	
Africana Studies	
Arts and Letters, Room 373	..... 619-594-6531
American Indian Studies (Minor)	
Arts and Letters, Room 331	..... 619-594-6991
Anthropology	
Arts and Letters, Room 448	..... 619-594-5527
Arabic	
Business Administration, Room 327	..... 619-594-5268
Asia Pacific Studies	
Arts and Letters, Room 473	..... 619-594-0931
Chicana and Chicano Studies	
Arts and Letters, Room 348	..... 619-594-6452
Chinese	
Business Administration, Room 327	..... 619-594-5268
Classics and Humanities	
Arts and Letters, Room 662	..... 619-594-5186
Economics	
Nasatir Hall, Room 304	..... 619-594-1675
English and Comparative Literature	
Arts and Letters, Room 226	..... 619-594-5307
Filipino	
Business Administration, Room 327	..... 619-594-5268
European Studies (Minor)	
Business Administration, Room 304	..... 619-594-5111
French and Italian (Minor)	
Business Administration, Room 304	..... 619-594-6491
Geography	
Storm Hall, Room 323	..... 619-594-5437
German and Russian	
Business Administration, Room 304	..... 619-594-6313
Hebrew	
Business Administration, Room 327	..... 619-594-5268
History	
Arts and Letters, Room 588	..... 619-594-5262
International Business	
Arts and Letters, Room 208	..... 619-594-4505
International Security and Conflict Resolution	
Nasatir Hall, Room 116	..... 619-594-4099
Japanese	
Business Administration, Room 327	..... 619-594-5268
Jewish Studies (Minor)	
Arts and Letters, Room 588	..... 619-594-5338
Latin American Studies	
Arts and Letters, Room 377	..... 619-594-1103
Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages	
Business Administration, Room 327	..... 619-594-5268
Philosophy	
Arts and Letters, Room 446	..... 619-594-5263
Political Science	
Nasatir Hall, Room 127	..... 619-594-6244
Religious Studies	
Arts and Letters, Room 662	..... 619-594-5185
Russian and Central European Studies	
Business Administration, Room 304	..... 619-594-5111
Social Science	
Arts and Letters, Room 588	..... 619-594-6344
Sociology	
Nasatir Hall, Room 203	..... 619-594-5449
Spanish and Portuguese	
Arts and Letters, Room 134 619-594-6588
Urban Studies	
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 100 619-594-6472

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Vietnamese
Business Administration, Room 327 619-594-5268
Women's Studies
Arts and Letters, Room 346 619-594-6524

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Assistant Dean
Business Administration, Room 448 619-594-5828
Undergraduate Business Advising Center
Business Administration, Room 448 619-594-5828
Undergraduate Web site: <http://rohan.sdsu.edu/~ugbus/>
Accountancy
Finance
Financial Services
Information Systems
International Business
(See College of Arts and Letters)
Management
Marketing
Pre-Business
Real Estate
Graduate Business Advising Office 619-594-5217
Student Services, Room 3428
MBA (various specializations)
MS in Accountancy
MS in Business Administration (various concentrations)
MBA/MA in Latin American Studies

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (Degrees, Credentials, and Certificate Programs)

Assistant Dean for Student Affairs
Business Administration, Room 259 619-594-1426
Office of Student Services
Business Administration, Room 259 619-594-6320
Administrative, Rehabilitation and Postsecondary Education
3590 Camino del Rio North 619-594-6115
Certificate Programs
Community College Teaching
Rehabilitation Administration
Workforce Education and Lifelong Learning
Supported Employment and Transition Specialist
Child and Family Development
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 413 619-594-5380
Counseling and School Psychology
North Education, Room 179 619-594-6109
Service Credentials
Pupil Personnel Services
School Counseling
School Psychology
Certificate Program
Cultural and Community Trauma Studies
Educational Leadership
North Education, Room 166 619-594-4063
Administrative Services
Educational Technology
North Education, Room 280 619-594-6718
Distance Education Certificate
Instructional Software Design Certificate
Master's Programs
See individual department listings
Doctoral Programs
Educational Leadership (PreK-12 School Leadership):
Department of Educational Leadership,
North Education, Room 166 619-594-4063
Educational Leadership (Community College/Postsecondary
Leadership): Department of Administration, Rehabilitation and
Postsecondary Education, 3590 Camino del Rio North,
San Diego, CA 92108-1716 619-594-6115
SDSU/CGU: Business Administration, Room 246 619-594-1120
SDSU/USD: Business Administration, Room 246 619-594-0909

Nursing (Health Services–School Nurse)
Hardy Tower, Room 58 619-594-5495/594-6384
Policy Studies in Language and Cross-Cultural Education
Business Administration, Room 248 619-594-5155
Multiple and Single Subject B/CLAD Emphasis
CLAD or BCLAD Credential in Mexico
BCLAD Certificate
Language Development Specialist Certificate
Social Work
Hepner Hall, Room 119 619-594-5197
Pupil Personnel Services
Child Welfare and Attendance
School Social Work
Special Education
North Education, Room 70 619-594-6665
Specialist Credentials
Early Childhood Special Education
Mild/Moderate Disabilities
Moderate/Severe Disabilities
Physical and Health Impairments
Certificate Programs
Bilingual (Spanish) Special Education
Developing Gifted Potential
Early Childhood Special Education
Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Speech, Language, and Hearing, Room 121 619-594-6774
Clinical-Rehabilitative Services
Teacher Education
Business Administration, Room 255 619-594-6131
Multiple Subject and Single Subject
Reading/Language Arts Specialist

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Assistant Dean
Engineering, Room 200C 619-594-7007
Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Mechanics
Engineering, Room 308 619-594-6074
Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering
Engineering, Room 424 619-594-6072
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Engineering, Room 426 619-594-7013
Mechanical Engineering
Engineering, Room 323L 619-594-6067

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Assistant Dean
Education, Room 154 619-594-0888
Community Health Education
Hardy Tower, Room 119 619-594-1254
Gerontology
Hepner Hall, Room 203 619-594-6989
Nursing
Hardy Tower, Room 58 619-594-2540
Public Health
Hepner Hall, Room 129 619-594-5528
Social Work
Hepner Hall, Room 119 619-594-6865
Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
Speech, Language, and Hearing, Room 118 619-594-6774

COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES AND FINE ARTS

Assistant Dean
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 212 619-594-6928
Aerospace Studies (Minor)
Exercise and Nutritional Sciences, Room 385 619-594-5545
Art, Design, and Art History
Art, Room 505 619-594-6511

Communication	
Communication, Room 237	
Exercise and Nutritional Sciences (Foods and Nutrition, Kinesiology)	
Exercise and Nutritional Sciences, Room 331	619-594-5161
Hospitality and Tourism Management	
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 436.....	619-594-4964
International Security and Conflict Resolution	
Nasatir Hall, Room 116	619-594-4099
Journalism and Media Studies	
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 361.....	619-594-5450
Military Science (Minor)	
Exercise and Nutritional Sciences, Room 451	619-594-4943
Music and Dance	
Music, Room 111	619-594-6031
Naval Science (Minor)	
Communication, Room 130	619-594-3730
Public Affairs (Criminal Justice Administration, Public Administration)	
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 100	619-594-6084
Recreation	
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 431	619-594-5110
Theatre, Television, and Film	
Dramatic Arts, Room 204	619-594-6363
Urban Studies	
Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 100	619-594-6472

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Assistant Dean	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 321	619-594-5350
Astronomy	
Physics/Astronomy, Room 210A	619-594-6182
Biology	
Life Sciences, Room 135	619-594-6442
Bioengineering	Microbiology
Cellular and Molecular	Medical Technology and
Ecology	Public Health Microbiology
Evolution and Systematics	Zoology
Marine Biology	
Chemistry and Biochemistry (Chemical Physics)	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 209 ..	619-594-5595
Computer Science	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 413	619-594-6191
Geological Sciences	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 237	619-594-5586
General Geology	Hydrogeology
Engineering Geology	Marine Geology
Geochemistry	Paleontology
Geophysics	Oceanography (Minor)
International Security and Conflict Resolution	
Nasatir Hall, Room 116	619-594-4099
Mathematics and Statistics	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 413	619-594-6191
Oceanography (Minor)	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 237	619-594-5707
Physics (Chemical Physics)	
Physics, Room 131	619-594-6240
Preprofessional Health Advising	
Geology/Mathematics/Computer Science, Room 323	619-594-6638
Psychology Advising Center	
Life Sciences, Room 03	619-594-5412

DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Assistant Dean	
Administration, Room 101.....	619-594-5841
Also advising in:	
Honors Program	619-594-5841
Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments...	619-594-5841
Liberal Studies (Administration, Room 103)	619-594-0597

DIVISION OF GRADUATE AFFAIRS

Associate Dean	
Student Services, Room 1410	619-594-5213
Monday–Thursday, 10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	
Advisement concerning general requirements (except for the major). A departmental graduate adviser is available in all programs offering graduate degrees.	

IMPERIAL VALLEY CAMPUS ADVISING

It is recommended that Imperial Valley Campus students see an adviser prior to registration each semester. The following advisers correspond to the various majors and programs:

Undergraduate

Agribusiness, International Business, Spanish	
Aracely Bojorquez	760-768-5506
Criminal Justice Administration, Psychology	
Barbara Romero.....	760-768-5509
English,	
Norma Aguilar	760-768-5637
History, Liberal Studies, Social Science	
Americo Yacopi	760-768-5603
Latin American Studies, Mathematics, Public Administration	
Miguel Rahiotis.....	760-768-5502

Graduate

MA in Education	
Dr. Olga M. Amaral.....	760-768-5512
Master of Public Administration	
Dr. Dana W. Murphy	760-768-5544
Dr. Richard W. Ryan	760-768-5537
MS in Business Administration	
International Business	
Miriam Ungson	760-768-5505
Teacher Education	
Dr. Olga M. Amaral.....	760-768-5512

Catalog, Bulletin, and Class Schedule

The *General Catalog* is published annually in May and can be purchased at the SDSU Bookstore. The catalog carries information on admissions, fees and tuition, programs and degrees, courses, scholarships, residence halls, student services and activities, and a faculty directory.

The *Graduate Bulletin* is published annually in May and can be purchased at the SDSU Bookstore.

The *Class Schedule* with instructions for registration is available at <http://www.sdsu.edu/schedule>.

The catalog and bulletin are available on the SDSU Web site at <http://www.sdsu.edu>.

Mail order information on the catalog and bulletin is available at <http://www.aztecshops.com>.

The College of Extended Studies also publishes three catalogs each year, in spring, summer, and fall, listing extension, certificate, and professional development programs and courses available to the general public. The catalog is free and can be mailed to interested students by calling the college at 619-594-5152.