



Undeclared/ Exploratory Major

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What We Will Discuss Today

Undeclared/Exploratory Major

GUS 101

Important Dates to Remember

Canvas

Helpful Tips

Undeclared/Exploratory Major



As an Undeclared Student, students have the opportunity to explore various academic and career pathways as they decide on a major



Students need to declare a major by the time they earn 60 credits (about 2 years)



Complete General Education Requirements



Take major/minor exploration courses to better explore areas of interest



Utilize helpful resources and programming to learn about majors and careers

General Education Program

FIRST YEAR FOCUS:

- First Year Foundations Course (FFC 100) 3 Credits

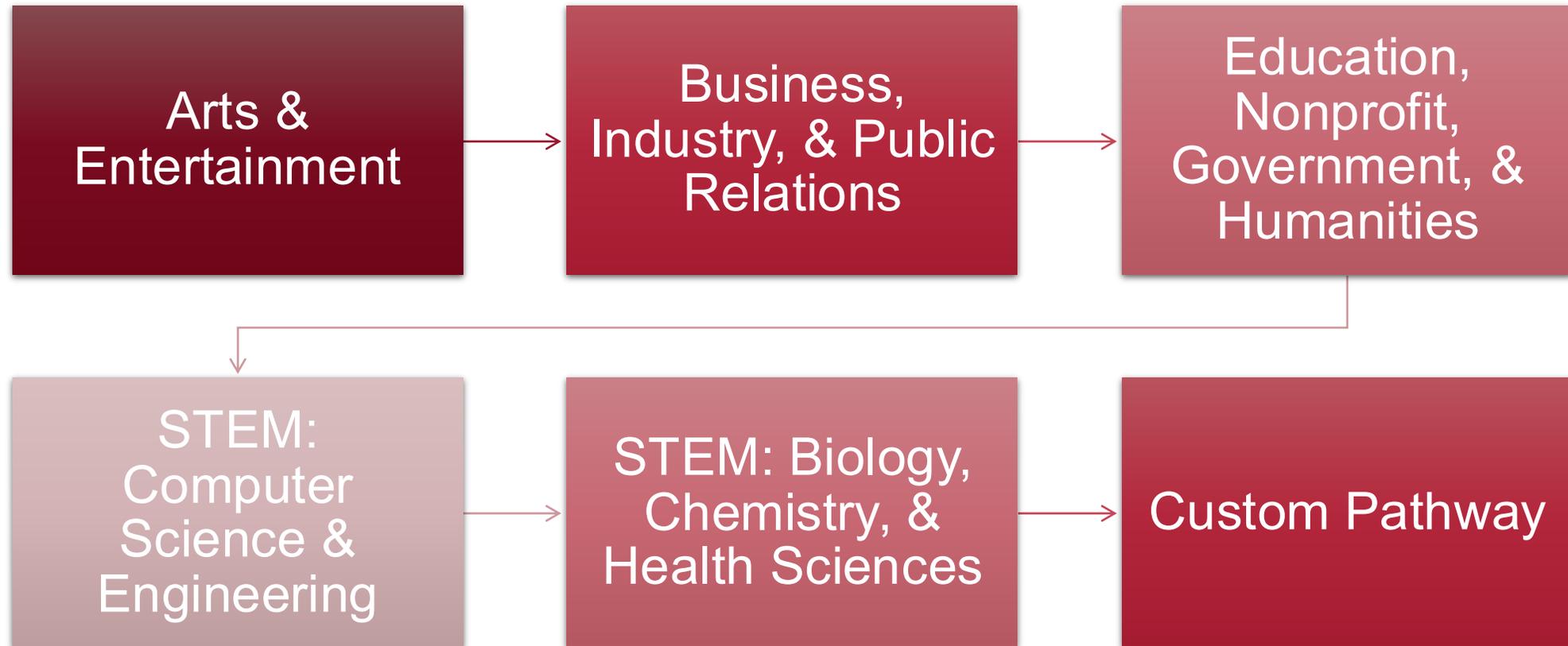
LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES FOCUS (3 CREDITS EACH):

- Written Inquiry
- Artistic Inquiry
- Natural Science Inquiry
- Quantitative Inquiry
- Values and Ethical Inquiry
- Social Inquiry

GLOBAL FOCUS:

- Global Studies Inquiry (6 Credits)
- Citizenship, Community, Service Inquiry (3 Credits)
- Language Inquiry (3 Credits)

Exploratory Pathways



GUS 101

GUS 101 is a 1-credit course that is required for all first-year students who enter Chapman as Undeclared.

Component of our Exploratory Majors program that helps students explore and ultimately select a major.

All students take the course for a letter grade.

GUS 101 Learning Goals

Learn about Chapman's departments and schools/colleges.

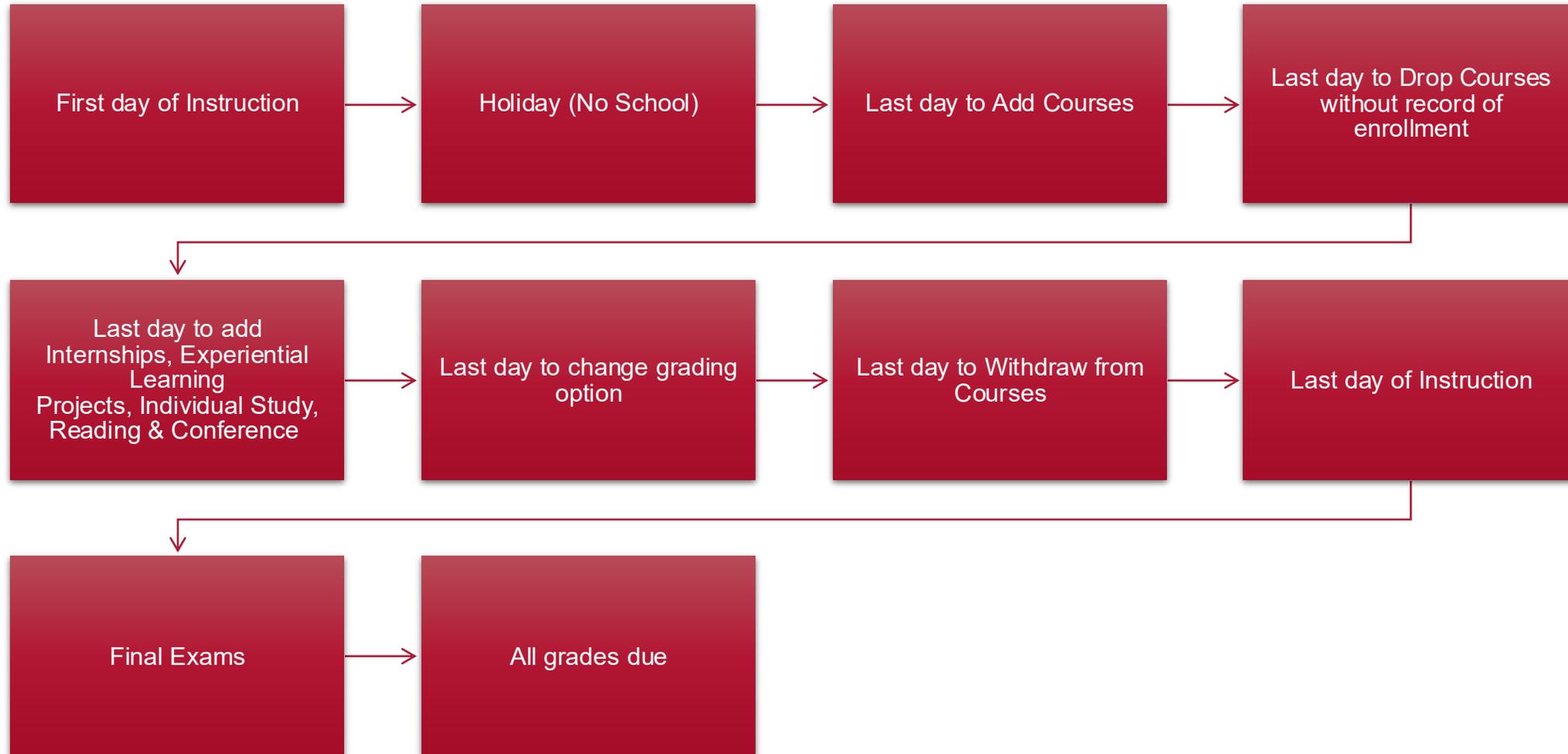
Taught by the Academic Advising Team

By the end of the course, you are expected to be familiar with the various academic areas and opportunities at Chapman

Have a good idea of their own academic interests and goals

Know which departments and staff can support you as you continue exploring your academic options

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Canvas: This is Chapman's learning management system where students access their courses and contact their professor/classmates:



<https://canvas.chapman.edu/courses/7017/pages/student-introduction-to-canvas>

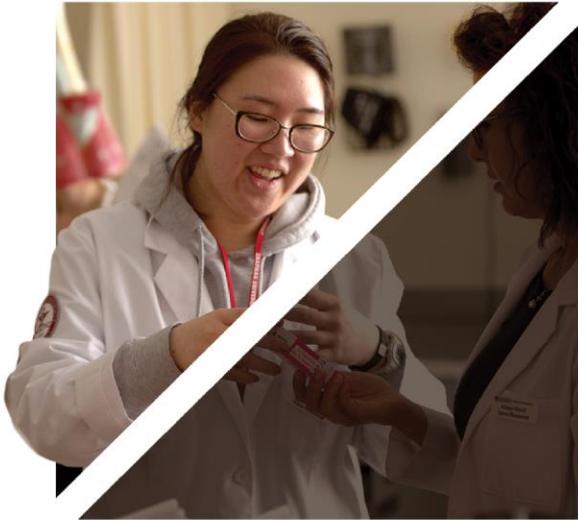
Helpful Tips

- Install the Canvas app on your phone and turn on the notifications
- Use the Canvas Calendar to keep track of all your due dates in one place
- Check and answer your Chapman emails (Panther mail) regularly
- Communicate with and get to know your professors
- Attend professor office hours
- Engage in activities

Stay Connected!

- Follow the Schools or Colleges that you are interested in on Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn





We appreciate the opportunity to continue being part of your college journey!



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