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Student Debut Program Schedule & Information

8:00 a.m.

Panther Service Fair (Continental Breakfast)

Grand Ballroom

(Students seeking a teaching credential need to visit the College of Education & Professional Studies table.)

9:00 a.m.

Welcome & Overview of Program

9:10 a.m.

General Education, Transfer Evaluation & Articulation Review

9:50 a.m.

Academic Advisement Introduction

10:15 a.m. Break

(Student program will separate from the family program.)

10:30 a.m.

Student Life & Services Orientation

University Ballroom

11:00 a.m.

College Meetings

See right panel for details.

11:30 a.m.

Academic Advisement

See back for an advisement checklist and information about how and when to access the registration system.

Noon, 1:00 p.m., and 2:00 p.m.

Campus Tours (Optional)

If you have not toured the campus we encourage you to do so today. Tours depart from check-in.

College Meetings

All students will attend a college meeting today. Below you will find a list of the colleges and the majors that are associated. You will be directed to your advisement appointment following the college meeting.

College of Arts & Humanities, East Side, University Ballroom

African American Studies, Art, Communication Studies, English, Foreign Languages, History & Social Sciences, Journalism, Music, Philosophy, Theatre Arts

College of Education & Professional Studies, University Ballroom

Early Childhood, Elementary & Middle Level Education, Health Studies, Kinesiology & Sport Studies, Recreation Administration, Special Education

Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences, Bridge Lounge

Accounting, Career & Organizational Studies, Career & Technical Education, Family Consumer Sciences, Finance, Industrial Technology, Management, Management Information Systems, Marketing

College of Sciences, Charleston/Mattoon Room, 3rd Floor

Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Communication Disorders & Sciences, Economics, Geography/Geology, Health Profession Studies, Mathematics & Computer Science, Nursing, Physics & Pre-Engineering, Political Science, Psychology, Science with Teacher Certification, Sociology/Anthropology

Undecided Students: Discover the Possibilities, 1895 Room

Whether you are undecided on a major or are unsure if your current major is the right fit, exploring your personal interests along with your academic and career options will help you clarify your goals and identify a plan of action.

Academic Advisement

Following the *College Meetings* all students will meet with a faculty or professional adviser. There are two ways you might be connected to an advisor.

Option One: You have received an appointment card for a specific appointment time. The card will direct you to the appropriate location.

Option Two: You did not receive an appointment card. Therefore, you will be directed to your academic departments office to meet with an advisor. **The locations of all academic departments can be found in the Academic Handbook.**



**Hit the ground
running!
Mark your
calendar for *Prowl*.**

We know attending a new university is exciting, but also challenging. So, we've developed a program focused on helping you make a successful transition to your new life as an EIU Panther.

Prowl offers educational and social opportunities for you to learn about our community and how to connect to Eastern - opportunities that will provide a solid foundation for both personal and academic success.

Prowl begins Saturday, January 11, 2014 and will continue through the first six weeks of the semester.

**Mark your calendar
for Saturday, January
11th!**

(required attendance for all new students)

Program Begins at 10am

- **Prowl Welcome**
- **Brunch with the President**
- **Prowl Workshops**
- **JumpStart2G.I.V.E.**

To Do List: Stay on Track Today!

- 1. Secure Panther Card (EIU ID):** Go any time today between 11:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Panther Card Office, 2nd Floor, Student Services Building)
- 2. Meet with Academic Adviser:** During your advising session make sure to accomplish the following tasks:

- Secure the name and phone number of adviser.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Office Location: _____

- Secure your Alternate PIN from your adviser and keep it in a safe place. You will need this PIN to register and make any changes to your schedule. PIN's change every semester and can only be given out by your adviser.
- Make your catalog year decision.
- Discuss the Electronic Writing Portfolio requirement (see handout in folder for additional information).
- Discuss list of possible courses to build a semester schedule.
- Discuss teacher education information if appropriate.
- Secure your *Major Checklist* if available.
- Discuss when to apply for graduation.
- Discuss foreign language requirement (send high school transcript if 2 years of same language in H.S. completed).
- Make sure to have all of your questions answered.

- 3. Register for your classes.** It is critical that you complete the registration process as soon as you are eligible. You can access the PAWS system to register according to number of hours earned.

- The following dates are when you can access the system:
90+: Oct. 21 60-89: Oct. 28 59-30: Nov. 4 29-1: Nov. 11
- If you are eligible to register for classes today we strongly encourage you to do so prior to leaving campus. **There are two ways you may be able to access the PAWS system to register today:**
- Your adviser may aid you in their office or the department office.
- Your adviser may ask you to register on your own today in the **Gregg Computer Lab Building located just west of Booth Library** (look for the signage in the quad).

- 4. Check with Financial Aid** to see if any paperwork needs to be completed. All students who are seeking grants, loans, or work study funds need to file the FASFA. Financial Aid is located on the 1st floor of the Student Services Building.

- 5. Secure housing for the upcoming semester.** EIU University Housing has a variety of housing options for transfer students. The office is located in the east wing, lower level (below the food court) in the MLK, Jr. University Union.