Frequently Asked Questions

How can I know which transfer courses will be accepted into Coastal?

Please refer to the Coastal Carolina’s (CCU) Admissions’ webpage at http://www.coastal.edu/admissions/ for information about transfer credits. Once accepted to CCU and after the submission of all transcripts, the Office of Admissions evaluates all transcript(s) to determine how many transfer credits will be awarded toward your CCU’s program of study. Transfer credit information can also be found in the CCU University Catalog.

Keep in mind, some transfer credits maybe direct equivalencies to courses in the CCU program of study. Other credits may transfer as elective credits. Contact an academic advisor for clarification regarding which coursework are direct equivalencies and those that transfer as elective coursework.

How can I find out who my advisor is?

Your academic advisor can be found by logging into Web Advisor, clicking on the Student Tab, and clicking on Program Evaluation. If you have been assigned an academic advisor, their name should be listed at the top of the Program Evaluation. You may also click on Email my Advisor by clicking on E-mail my Advisor (i.e. under the Communication Group).

Do I have to take the Math Placement Test?

As of the 2016 academic year, students are not required to take a Math Placement Test. Students math placements are determined by student’s S.A.T. and A.C.T scores.

What is Core Academic Skills Praxis I?

Praxis I is a state-mandated test. The Praxis I test is a computerized test that is a combination of Math, Reading, and Writing and is administered by Educational Testing Service (ETS). Student may exempt Praxis I if they scored:

- 1650 or higher on SAT (Verbal, Math, Writing)
- 1100 or higher on OLD SAT (Two-part test)
- 24 or higher on ACT Composite

Students who take Praxis I must meet the below cut-off scores:

- Reading – 156
- Writing – 162
- Math – 150

Do I have to meet with my academic advisor to be able to register for courses?

Students are required to meet with their academic advisor every semester (fall & spring). These meetings are necessary for advisor and students to determine the student progress toward their program of study as well as discuss what coursework is needed for the upcoming semester. At the conclusion of these meeting, the academic advisor will remove the advisement hold off the student’s account. This process allows students to register at their assigned registration time.
What do I do if a class I need is already full?

There are several steps students can take if they want to register for a class that is already full. It is important that students who are currently enrolled make every attempt to make their advising appointment as early as possible during pre-registration in order to register for the classes they want. However, if you have followed all appropriate steps and the course is still full, the following steps may help:

- Continue to check on WebAdvisor throughout the pre-registration period. Student schedules change often and courses are continually opening and closing.
- WebAdvisor registration will close at the end of pre-registration period so that tuition bills can be mailed out. Students who fail to pay on time will be dropped from all courses. Registration will reopen after this period for additional registration and add/drop. Many closed courses open up during this period.
- Continue to check the course throughout add/drop and until classes start.
- If the class is still full when classes begin, go to class on the first day (prepared to attend the whole class period) and speak to the professor. Politely ask the professor if he or she will grant you special permission to enter the course.
- If the professor agrees to let you into the closed course, get a Special Permission form from your academic advisor. Bring the form back to the professor for his or her signature. Once the form has been completed take the form to the Registrar’s Office.

When is tuition due?

Refer to the Office of Student Accounts webpage: http://www.coastal.edu/studentaccounts/.

When does advising and registration start?

Refer to the university academic calendar located on the Registrar’s webpage: http://www.coastal.edu/intranet/Registrar/. Declared education students will be sent advising information to their student email accounts at least one week before the advising period starts.

Can courses from the University Core Curriculum area also be used to fulfill Foundation requirements?

Some courses from the Core Curriculum can be used to fulfill Foundation requirements. Your program coursework can be found on the Program Evaluation.

What is the difference between declaring my major in education and being accepted into the PPTE?

Students declare their major either prior to entering CCU or during their academic career as freshmen or Sophomore. However, all education majors must formally apply and complete all requirements to be accepted into the PPTE. Since students that are not admitted into the PPTE cannot take upper level education courses listed as part of their “major” requirements.

What do I do if I don’t have the required GPA?

The SCOE advising office recommends that students retake courses where they have received either a C or lower in order to increase the GPA, as this is the quickest way to increase a GPA. Students are urged to repeat Ds and Fs first. CCU allows students 13 hours “free” repeats. After the 13th hour is repeated or if there are no C’s or lower to repeat, students are advised to take fewer courses per semester in order to make A’s and B’s. Please refer to the CCU University Catalog for more information regarding the Repeat Forgiveness policy.