

MAJORS AND MINORS FAIR PREP SHEET

Emerson Suites • Thursday October 24th • 5-7pm

BEFORE YOU GO

Success doesn't just happen. It's planned for.

- **Have a plan** – Put the date and time of the Majors and Minors Fair on your calendar. When you get there think, do you have some specific majors in mind that you want to make sure you hit?
- **Know Before you Go** – Preview all of IC's [Majors](#) and [Minors](#) to see what is of interest to you.
- **Get a buddy** to join you for double the fun!
- Think about how you can use the student services at the fair. How would a possible major affect your **financial aid**? Ask their reps! Thinking of **studying abroad**? See the Office of International Programs! Wondering about **internships**? Talk with the **Alumni Network!**
- **What are SIX booths I want to visit while at the Fair?**
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.

AT THE FAIR

Be ready to ask questions to individuals representing different majors and minors. Here are some questions you might want to ask. Don't feel obligated to ask all of them. Take notes.

- What would I learn about when studying this major?
- What kinds of jobs do graduates of this major:
 - o Start out in? End up in?
- What courses do students typically take to get a sense of the major?
 - o Do I have to get special permission to take them because I am Exploratory?
- What GPA or other academic requirements are there to:
 - o Be accepted into this major?

- How many credits do I take for the major?
 - o What are some courses OUTSIDE the major that are required?
- Do you have an advising sheet or list of requirements for the major?
- What level of math or second language are required?
- Does this major require that I complete a minor? What minors do these majors typically take?
- What are some internships, research opportunities, organizations and co-curricular activities that are associated with this major?
- Are there any opportunities for faculty/student collaboration, undergraduate research or conference attendance in your major?
- Are there events your program is sponsoring this semester, and can non-majors attend?
- Any special social media or listservs I can follow/join to learn more about department events?
- Do you have special events/open houses for potential majors I can sign up for?

AFTER THE FAIR

- Take stock of what you have learned! Review your notes and documents that you received. Write down your thoughts and consider how they mesh with your values and priorities.
- Follow up with the department chair about your interest in the major and make sure you're on their mailing list of interested students.
- Stop by your advisor's office to chat and process what you learned.
- Visit the Center for Career Exploration and Development to get more information about potential careers and majors.
- Congratulate yourself on investing time, energy, and effort into becoming the person you want to be.