INSIDER TIPS: Signing Up For Classes

1. Make a balanced schedule

- Be sure to balance your class schedule with STEM and non-STEM classes.
- Taking to many STEM based classes can be overwhelming. Take classes that you truly enjoy and are fun for you!
- Non-STEM classes help create more balance in your workload and can usually help to boost your GPA.

2. Think about taking a winter class

- Winter classes are a great way to check GEPs off.
- Many winter classes are offered online, which means you don't even have to change to go to class!
- While they may be accelerated, many of the courses are actually easier than if you took them during the regular semester.

3. Classes Cannot Dual Count

- The types of GEP classes are categorized by the following: culture, arts and humanities, and social sciences.
- All GEP classes have one of these, while some have more than one.
- For example, if you are taking a GEP that is listed as counting as both a culture credit and an art and humanities, it will only be applied to your transcript as one or the other. It will not count as both.

4. Each person has a designated time to register for classes

- You will receive an email that tells you what day and time you will be allowed to sign up for your spring classes.
- This day and time is determined by the number of credits you have. The more you have, the earlier you sign up.
- WRITE IT DOWN so you don't forget!! You don't want to miss registering for classes you need or want.

5. English 100

- It is required that you take English 100 during your freshman year at UMBC (or within your first 30 credits).
- Some people may be exempt from this requirement if they have AP or transfer credit.

Reminders

- Remember to pay the full balance on your student account before your class registration date. If you do not, a hold will be placed and block you from registering.
- You can only carry a balance of $200 or less to be able to register for winter or spring classes.

Events

A calendar of events is shared with you via Google Calendar. It is titled "STEM LLC." Check it out to see events happening all across campus!

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