College 101

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Be “In the Know”

- SOAR Student Center
- Degree Progress Report
- Plan to Graduate
- Advisement and Registration
- Mid-Term Grades
- Eagle email
- FERPA
- Getting Help
Degree Progress Report

- Shows required courses, GPA, and hours
- Tracks progress toward degree
- Changes with the student
- Becomes the degree audit

USM GPA Verification

Satisfied: All attempted USM courses, INCLUDING remedial coursework (if applicable). Note: USM GPA is used for reporting academic status.

- GPA: 2.000 required, 3.306 actual

Not Satisfied: Total includes hours earned, currently in progress, preregistered, as well as any incomplete grade that may appear on the Degree Progress Report.

- Units: 124.00 required, 94.00 taken, 30.00 needed

Satisfied: Minimum grade of C required in each course.

Western Civilization

Satisfied: HIS 101, HIS 102

The following courses may be used to satisfy this requirement:

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Advisement and Registration

• Priority advisement week (2x year): Spring (late October), Summer/Fall (late March)

• Have a plan before meeting with an adviser

• Keep your options open

• Make sure to pre-register
Plan a Date to Graduate

• Work with department to determine progression of plan

• Create your planner from degree plan

• Register from planner
Mid-Term Grades

- Mid-term grades are available on SOAR.

- NA (Not Attending)
  - Emails
  - Counts as “F” if not changed
@eagles.usm.edu

• Fastest and most secure source of communication to students.

• Send grade notifications, class info, financial info, etc.
FERPA: It’s the Law

• Directory Information

• Consent to Release (www.usm.edu/registrar/forms)

• FERPA Block: No Verification
COMING SOON!

• Parent portal access

• Student manages access to the student’s SOAR student center, grades, schedule, fees, etc.
Where Do I Go for Help?

**Change Majors** | Desired department/college

**Registration** | Registrar | Kennard-Washington, 1st floor

**Financial Aid and Scholarships** | Financial Aid | Kennard-Washington, 1st floor

**Tuition and Student Accounts** | Business Services | Forrest County Hall, 1st floor

**Jobs** | Student Employment | McLemore Hall, 1st floor

**Counseling** | Counseling Center | Kennard-Washington, 2nd floor
Advice for Parents

• Be a coach.

• Remain an anchor.
Questions?