

## Fall 2017 - Undergraduate Advising Events

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### **Academic Advising:**

The advising program uses a holistic approach that fosters student success through the guiding principles of collaboration, communication, and consistency. Advisors build and maintain relationships across campus to stay up-to-date on available resources and university-wide needs, all while managing the time required to provide consistent, quality advising to all students. All General Engineering students have an assigned academic advisor. Students can view their academic advisor assignment on Hokie Spa under View General Student Information.

### **Drop-in Advising:**

Drop-in advising (no appointment necessary) is available on a first come first serve basis during the first week of classes, course request, and the deadline to course withdrawal only.

### **Appointments:**

Advisors see students on an appointment basis beginning September 5; appointments can be scheduled through the [student success collaborative](#).

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### **Communication & Advising Tips of the Week**

The General Engineering Advising team values the delivery of accurate, consistent, and timely academic information to our advisees. Our email communication begins upon acceptance of the offer of admission with a welcome message and concludes upon exit of the General Engineering program. Approximately every two weeks during the academic year, each of our advisees receive a common email from their assigned academic advisor with vital information concerning upcoming academic deadlines, policies, and procedures. In addition, the advising team provides an advising tip of the week, which correlates with the email topics to be included in each week's lecture for the first-year ENGE courses.

#### **Advising Tips of the Week for ENGE Courses:**

Download link: [https://enge.vt.edu/content/dam/enge\\_vt\\_edu/undergraduate/advising\\_tips.pptx](https://enge.vt.edu/content/dam/enge_vt_edu/undergraduate/advising_tips.pptx)

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### College of Engineering Undergraduate Major/Minor Information Sessions

The College of Engineering Undergraduate Major/Minor Information Sessions provide an opportunity for first-year students to meet representatives from the degree granting departments to learn about the plethora of majors and minors offered by the college. The session calendar is coordinated by the ENGE Advising Team to avoid conflicts between department sessions and other events that might interfere, such common time tests or major sporting and social events. The ENGE Advising team also sends out reminders before each session.

#### **College of Engineering Undergraduate Major/Minor Information Sessions Schedule**

[https://enge.vt.edu/content/dam/enge\\_vt\\_edu/undergraduate/information\\_sessions.pdf](https://enge.vt.edu/content/dam/enge_vt_edu/undergraduate/information_sessions.pdf)

Departments have until Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> to reserve a room and set their session time. The schedule will go the Engineering Education Undergraduate Website under announcements on the right.

### Corps of Cadet Plan of Study Workshop

General Engineering military branch students may be required to complete a plan of study (Form48/104R/4-yearplan) for their service area (Air Force, Army, Navy) which requires their advisor's review and signature. To aid in this process we are hosting a drop-in workshop. An invitation and reminder for this event will be sent to military branch students by the advising team; it will not be included in the advising tips of the week.

- The workshop is open on a drop-in basis (no registration required). Students should expect to spend a minimum of 1 hour at the workshop. Students must prepare for the workshop by following the instructions at <https://enge.vt.edu/undergraduate/planofstudy.html>.

Date	Time	Location	Registration
Wednesday, September 6	8:30 AM-3:30 PM	341 Goodwin Hall	Not Required

### Majors Fair

The University Majors Fair is an event that gives students the opportunity to speak with knowledgeable faculty and staff members who can answer questions about a wide array of majors and career options in one centralized location.

Date	Time	Location	Registration
Wednesday, September 27	10:00 AM-3:00 PM	Squires Commonwealth Ballroom	Not Required

### **Plan of Study Information Session**

The Plan of Study Information Session provides an opportunity for students to learn how to develop a personal plan of study for their time at VT. Students can prepare for the session by visiting the ENGE Plan of Study Website (<https://enge.vt.edu/undergraduate/planofstudy.html>).

Date	Time	Location	Registration Link
Wednesday, October 4	9:00 AM-10:00 AM	190 Goodwin Hall	<a href="#">Register Here</a>
Friday, October 6	2:30 PM-3:30 PM	115 Goodwin Hall	<a href="#">Register Here</a>

### **Course Request Group Advising Session**

Course registration consists of two phases: Course Request and Drop/Add. Course Request is student's opportunity to inform the university of the specific courses they would like to take for a future term. Course request is designed to ensure the academic departments are planning to offer enough seats in courses to accommodate the demand. To support students during the course request process we will host three course request group-advising sessions.

Date	Time	Location	Registration
Tuesday, October 3	7:00 PM-7:50PM	100 McBryde Hall (Hypatia/Galileo)	Not Required
Monday, October 9	5:30 PM- 6:30 PM	190 Goodwin Hall	Not Required
Monday, October 16	5:30 PM- 6:30 PM	190 Goodwin Hall	Not Required

### **Student Engineers Council First-Year Major Mixer**

The major mixer highlights the 14 degree-granting engineering majors, design teams, and student organizations for general engineering students. This event is a great opportunity for students to mingle with other first-year students and uncover additional ways to learn about the major and about ways to get involved with design teams and organizations.

Date	Time	Location	Registration
Tuesday, October 17	5:00 PM- 7:00 PM	Goodwin Hall Atrium	Not Required

### Change of Major Information Session for GE Students

These sessions are designed to provide General Engineering students with an overview of the process of declaring a degree-granting engineering major.

- The schedule is posted at: <http://www.enge.vt.edu/undergraduate-changing-majors.html> under General Engineering Students to Degree-Granting Engineering → Information Sessions. Registration is required.

Date	Time	Location	Registration Link
Monday, November 27	5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	190 Goodwin Hall	<a href="#">Register Here</a>
Monday, December 4	5:30 PM – 6:30 PM	190 Goodwin Hall	<a href="#">Register Here</a>

### Change of Major Information Sessions for Non-Engineering Students

These sessions are hosted for non-engineering students who wish to change into a degree-granting engineering major. The schedule is posted at: <http://www.enge.vt.edu/undergraduate-changing-majors.html> under Non-Engineering Students to Degree-granting Engineering majors → Information Sessions. Registration is required.

### Major Exploration Workshops “14 Engineering Majors: How to Find YOUR Best Fit”

The Major Exploration Workshop leads students through the 4 steps of major exploration (Discover, Explore, Decide and Commit, and Take Action), while focusing on the **first** step of exploration. The workshop includes interactive activities, reflective learning, videos, group discussion, and a take-home workbook.

- This workshop is sponsored by Career and Professional Development and The Department of Engineering Education.
- Prior to attending, students must complete the free [“Traitify” online personality assessment](#) and answer the [6 reflection questions](#) listed under the “Do 10-minute Traitify now” drop-down menu listed under “Next Step.” Students must bring the printed assessment results and typed reflection questions to the workshop.

Date	Time	Location	Registration Link
Thursday, November 2	3:00 PM-4:30 PM	Room B Smith Career Center	<a href="#">Register Here</a>
Wednesday, November 8	3:00 PM-4:30 PM	Room B Smith Career Center	<a href="#">Register Here</a>

Questions or concerns about this information or force-adding ENGE courses can be directed to:

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