



VIDEO TRANSCRIPTS

VIDEO 1: ADVISING

Hello and welcome. My name is Guillermo, and I'm an academic advisor in The College of Natural Sciences. I'm so excited to be here to welcome you to our college and help you prepare for orientation. While this orientation looks different than it has in the past, please know that advisors, and all of CNS, are here to support you throughout the process.

Today I'll be presenting three short videos which will cover what Advising looks like at UT, Degree Requirements, and Registration 101.

Advising

In this video, I'll cover what to expect from your academic advisor during orientation and how you can prepare for your advising appointment.

What is advising?

In general, academic advisors help guide you throughout your college career: whether it's discussing degree requirements, exploring other majors, or planning for the future. During orientation specifically, you'll meet with an advisor for 15-20 minutes to discuss claiming credits, what math course you need for your degree, and your fall schedule.

Once you're enrolled, you'll be able to meet with your assigned academic advisor to discuss all other interests such as minors or certificates, studying abroad, and health profession planning.

How will advising work?

Advising during orientation will occur through Zoom, a video conferencing platform. Just before your orientation session, you'll receive an email with a zoom link, along with the date and time for your scheduled advising meeting. Appointments will start promptly at the scheduled time, so be sure to be logged on the zoom link at the start of your meeting time. In order to be fully prepared, ensure that you have downloaded Zoom and Duo before orientation begins.

Peer Advisors

Throughout orientation, you will also be able to meet with Orientation Advisors, who are current students that have been trained to answer your advising questions as well as general questions about UT and orientation.

How do I prepare?

Advising appointments will be packed with information, so in order to maximize your appointment, you'll want to prepare by doing the following:

First, you'll want to complete the UT Math Assessment by the posted deadline before orientation. The UTMA is required for all incoming CNS students. You will not be able to register for classes until you have a score on the assessment, so be sure to complete it in a timely manner. The UTMA gives us an idea of your relationship with calculus and aids us in advising you. We'll be discussing the UTMA more in Video 3.

You should also fill out the AP/IB survey sent to you via email. The survey will allow you to report any anticipated credit you may receive based on test scores. Advisors will use your responses to help you plan for the fall, so be sure to fill out the survey as accurately as you can. Additionally, be sure to have any AP and IB credit sent to UT. Advisors will help you determine what credit you'll receive from your scores.

Along with AP and IB scores, please ensure that all your transcripts are sent to UT. This includes your final high school transcript, but also any transfer credit or dual credit you may have done at other colleges and universities. If you can, please have a list of these credits and scores handy for your advising appointment.

And finally, be sure to review all other videos and documents on the Canvas page before your advising appointment. They're a great way to prepare for registration and a great first semester at UT.

Wrap-up

That's all for this video. Up next, please watch Video 2 titled CNS Degree Requirements.