STUDENT SUCCESS AND ADVISING CHECKLIST

STUDENT

BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS

• Attend Aggie Orientation in person or online.
• Take the ALEKS math assessment (if needed).
• Explore resources like DegreeFinder, USU General Catalog, Aggie Handshake, MyUSU, Academic Success Center and other student resources.
• Familiarize yourself with USU policies and important semester dates.
• Submit a complete academic record to the Admissions Office, including results of AP exams and grades of concurrent enrollment courses.
• Feel free to reach out to the academic advisor of your intended major or your USU campus success coordinator for more information about your campus.
• If you are interested in scholarships and federal financial aid, submit your fafsa.gov application and contact your financial aid counselor.

IN FIRST SEMESTER (OR WITHIN 0-29 CREDITS)

• Refine a tentative semester-by-semester graduation plan.
• Interact with your peers, get involved in a club or study group.
• Take advantage of student resources such as Student Wellness, Disability Resources Center, Veterans Resources Office, Inclusion Center, etc.

AFTER DECLARING A MAJOR (OR WITHIN 30-59 CREDITS)

• Contact academic advisors as needed to revisit your graduation plan.
• Continue to explore career options and make use of Career Services.
• Consider study abroad and other opportunities for learning outside the classroom.

EARLY/MID- MAJOR (OR WITHIN 60-89 CREDITS)

• Check in with academic advisor each semester to revise academic plan.
• Pursue honors or research opportunities with faculty members. Make connections with students and faculty within your major.
• Meet with your career coach to update your resume and apply for internships.
• Continue making post-graduate plans and developing marketable skills.

FINAL SEMESTER(S) (OR WITH MORE THAN 89 CREDITS)

• Check in with academic advisor each semester to revise academic plan.
• Pursue honors or research opportunities with faculty members. Make connections with students and faculty within your major.
• Meet with your career coach to update your resume and apply for internships.
• Continue making post-graduate plans and developing marketable skills.

ADVISOR

• Advisors will be available for appointments year-round at advising.usu.edu.
• Advisors will help you develop and finalize a graduation plan, including pre-requisites.
• Advisors can help you understand DegreeWorks and how to keep track of your requirements and progress.
• Advisors can also direct students to campus resources as needed.
• Advisors can also help with major exploration and identify if the current major matches the student’s strengths and interests, or if a change of major needs to take place.
• Advisors help explore courses, update plans, and meet individual advising needs.
• Advisors direct students into minors, study abroad, internships, or research opportunities depending on their interest areas.
• Advisors provide information regarding post-graduate plans and options for higher education within the major.
• Advisors will help you complete your graduation application and prepare you for graduation.