

# College of **HEALTH & SOCIAL SCIENCES**

## Student Resource Center

At the College of Health & Social Sciences' Student Resource Center, we can provide you with the support you need to navigate University policies and regulations, direct you towards appropriate support services and offer a compassionate ear in a time of frustration or stress as you deal with the pressures of work, school and family responsibilities. Drop by to make an appointment to see one of our advisors.

### Services Offered

- Academic Planning (GE/DPR/Major)
- Transition Support for First Time Freshman and Transfers
- Impacted Major Consultation
- Academic Probation Support
- General Life/Support Counseling
- Career Prep and Planning
- Graduation Check (GE and Graduation Requirements)
- Resume and Cover Letter Help

### CHSS Student Resource Center

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## PRE-APPAREL DESIGN & MERCHANDISING

The Pre-ADM designation allows you to continue exploring various majors by selecting multidisciplinary General Education classes with a focus on coursework/prerequisites that can prepare you to apply for admissions into the Bachelor of Science in Apparel Design and Merchandising (ADM) program, should you determine that this major is most appropriate for your skills, interests and career goals.

### IMPACTION

ADM is an impacted program, meaning there are more students wanting the major than there is capacity. Thus freshmen and sophomores interested in the ADM program should consider declaring Pre-ADM. However, this does not mean that your major is now ADM nor does this designation guarantee or increase your chances of acceptance into the major. It may make you eligible to receive news and updates from the department and the college regarding the program.

### ABOUT THE MAJOR

The Family Interiors Nutrition & Apparel (FINA) Department offers a B.S. in Apparel Design and Merchandising, which prepares students for a career in the fashion industry, including apparel design, manufacturing, promotion and retail companies. A common core of classes enables students to develop a consumer and socially conscious approach to the industry and a basic knowledge of the field including career opportunities, terminology and professional practices as applied to the industry.

### EMPHASIS AREAS

#### Apparel Design

The Apparel Design emphasis is specific to students who are interested exploring the process of creating garments from pattern making to construction.

#### Fashion Merchandising

The Fashion Merchandising emphasis is for students interested in exploring the promotional and strategic practices of retail business management.

### APPLICATION INFORMATION

Students are required to submit a supplemental application for admission into the undergraduate Apparel Design and Merchandising program. Current students must apply during a specific time frame, typically in the first few weeks of January. Please refer to this link for the supplemental application and updated deadlines:

[fina.sfsu.edu](http://fina.sfsu.edu)



**SAN FRANCISCO  
STATE UNIVERSITY**

Suggested first year course sequence to apply for admission by junior year\*

### FALL 2017\*\*

MATH 60/70 or 110  
ENG 104 or 114  
COMM 150 or AREA A3  
ID 240 or ECON 101/102  
AREA D2 or D3

### SPRING 2018

MATH 70 or 110  
ENG 105 or ENG 214 (AREA A4)  
PSYC 200  
ID 240 or ECON 101/102  
COMM 150 or AREA A3  
AREA D2 or D3

### SUMMER 2018

Drawing Class at a JC or ADM 262

\* AP and IB exam scores as well as courses taken at a community college can also impact the suggested course sequencing. If you are not sure how this will affect your scheduling, please contact an SRC advisor.

\*\* Admission in this major requires that you be at junior standing (60 units) by the time you start the program. If it is important that you start this program by your junior year, you will need to average at least 30 units each academic year. Apply in sophomore year for admission in Junior Year.

Current students are eligible to apply as long as they meet these minimum criteria:

- Upper Division Status (60 units by end of Spring after applying)
- Minimum of 2.5 overall and pre-requisite GPA
- Successful completion or in progress of all prerequisite courses (end of spring after applying)
- Submit correctly and a fully completed supplemental application by the department deadline

The supplemental application will require you to write a one-page personal statement expounding on your experience in the field of ADM as well as your professional goals related to the program. Although the minimum GPA required to apply is a 2.5, successful applicants typically have a much higher GPA, so aim for the best possible grades.

## ADM ADMISSION'S PREREQUISITE COURSES

**COLLEGE LEVEL  
DRAWING CLASS**  
(ART 231\*\*\* or ADM 262)

**ECON 101**  
(LD-D1)

**ECON 102**  
(LD-D1)

**ID 240**  
(LD-C1)

**PSY 200**  
(LD-D1/E)

\*\*\* ART 231 at SFSU but usually limited to ART majors so may be easier to enroll at a JC

### General Education Areas Potentially Met by Courses in this Major

Successfully completing the ADM curriculum would also mean that you have met the requirements for AREA C1, AREA D1 and AREA E in your lower division General Education requirements.

## ADDING, DROPPING AND WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES AFTER START OF SEMESTER

Please be aware of all deadlines. You may add courses via your Gateway until before the first day of instruction, provided there is space available. Once classes start, you will need permission numbers from your instructor to add classes via Gateway.

Dropping courses via your Gateway without it noted on your official records must occur within the first three weeks of each semester. After this three-week period, you are no longer allowed to drop courses via your Gateway. You must have a serious and compelling reason to withdraw from a course and submit a petition with objective supporting documentation. If approved, a "W" will appear on your transcript. All withdrawal petitions that lack serious and compelling reasons and/or viable supporting documentation will be denied within the College of Health & Social Sciences. Be conscientious about withdrawing from classes, as you are allowed a maximum of 18 units for withdrawal, and "W"s on your transcript can reflect poorly. Also keep in mind that you are only allowed to repeat a course once for a maximum of two times.

Lastly, it is ALWAYS students' responsibility to ensure that they are in the appropriate classes — always check your schedule!

## RESOURCES:

**SF STATE APPAREL DESIGN  
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