ACADEMICS AND 
STUDENT SUCCESS

The Basics of Being Successful
At
UNC Asheville
Haha...no nodding off!

- This is going to be an INTERACTIVE presentation!
Practice Question 1: Where are you from?

A. Western NC
B. Mid-State
C. Eastern NC
D. Another state
E. Another country
F. Another planet

Western NC: 17%
Mid-State: 17%
Eastern NC: 17%
Another state: 17%
Another country: 17%
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Practice Question 2: How do you feel today?

a. I feel great!
b. I need more caffeine.
c. I do NOT need more caffeine!!
d. Uh oh, there’s a test?

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One What??

- OneStop: Ramsey Library, 1st Floor
  - Registrar’s Office
    - Transcripts, Veterans’ Affairs, Name Changes
    - Tuition Surcharge, Transfer Credit
  - Advising and Learning Support Office
  - Student Accounts Office ($$$)
  - Office of Academic Accessibility
  - Study Abroad
- It’s not REALLY the only stop they’ll have to make.
  - Financial Aid and Admissions (Brown Hall)
  - One Card Office (lower floor of Highsmith Union)
One Card and One Port

• One Card:
  • Student identification card – scanned for meals, library/printing, gym privileges, etc.

• One Port:
  • Computer system whereby students can pay bills, check grades, set up FERPA proxy access, see and print schedule, register for classes…
Other Technologies at UNC Asheville

- GradPlan
  - Run a degree audit
- Moodle
  - Course management software used by many faculty members
A student can do all of the following in OneStop except

a. Request a transcript
b. Get help with registration or schedule changes
c. Get his or her ID card made
d. Pay his or her tuition bill
Which would a student use to make an online tuition payment?

A. OneStop
B. Moodle
C. OneCard
D. OnePort
Liberal Arts: What It Means

We seek breadth of knowledge and interdisciplinary connections.

We communicate effectively.

We appreciate diversity and social justice.

We think critically.

We work to see multiple perspectives.

We solve problems alone and with others.

We engage in honest, open inquiry and we search for the truth as we understand it. 
What Does It Mean for Students?
Which of the following ideas is *least* associated with a liberal arts education?

a. Ability to analyze information from various perspectives
b. Ability to earn an entry-level license for one’s chosen profession
c. Ability to communicate effectively in both writing and speaking
d. Ability to articulate and refine one’s own beliefs

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A UNC Asheville Degree: Nuts and Bolts

• 120 hours total required to graduate
  • Liberal Arts Core (required of all students)
  • Major Courses
  • Electives
  • Completing requirements for grad school admission

• 60 hours must be earned at 4-year institutions

• Last 30 hours must be earned at UNC Asheville
University Requirements

- Cumulative gpa >= 2.0 to graduate
- Major gpa >= 2.0 to graduate
- GPA starts over with courses at UNC Asheville
- Things to keep in mind:
  - Tuition surcharge begins at 140 hours (some restrictions apply)
  - Requirements differ depending on students’ entering status
Finding Major Requirements

• GradPlan
• University Catalog (online only)
  • Policies and procedures
  • Major and minor information
  • How to add licensure
  • Course descriptions
  • Pre- and co-requisites
  • Semester course offerings
To find out what is required in order to declare a major in a particular area, students should:

a. Consult the UNC Asheville catalog
b. Consult their Embark materials
c. Review the email from the Registrar in their UNC Asheville account
d. Call up the department chairperson and ask.
T/F: All students will pay the tuition surcharge.

a. True
b. False
Accessing Student Records (FERPA)

- Student must give permission
- Online Proxy Access
- Student assigns Proxy Access in OnePort
- All assignment/revocation in the student’s hands
- Opportunity to set a passphrase in case proxy contacts university
- University faculty and staff cannot give passphrase info, so save emails!
Where Students Can Get Help

• Academic help
  • Peer tutoring, supplemental instruction in some areas
  • Writing Center, Math lab, etc.
  • Academic Recovery Program

• Counseling Center

• Student Health Center

• Biofeedback lab

• Residence Hall (Res. Asst., Community Dir.)

• Faculty advisor

• OneStop
How Can You Best Help Your Student?

- Keep balance in your interactions: Encourage and support, but resist intervening until you are certain that it is necessary. Encourage independence.
- Encourage class attendance and participation.
- Prepare to hear your student unhappy from time to time; encourage resilience and remind them that they are capable of doing hard work.
- General rule of thumb regarding college happenings: Remember that despite the way it sometimes feels to the student, everyone working at UNC Asheville has the student’s best interests at heart.
How’d I do?

a. Great!

b. I still have a few questions.

c. Thank goodness it’s my kid and not me.

d. Wow, this stuff is complicated!