



orientation

**MONTANA
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Pre-University Studies

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Today's Presentation

- Learn about **Pre-University Studies**
- Advising Hours and Location
- Create a list of courses for registration

What is Pre-University Studies?

Program Overview



University Studies is the Academic Home for Pre-US Students

- Recommendations/Requirements for Pre-US Students:
 - Recommended to limit credits to 14 in first semester
 - Can move out of Pre-US once you have successfully completed 7 MSU credits (not including Gallatin College credits)
- Team of Advisors and Educators:
 - Personalized one-on-one advising
 - Cohort model for course schedule
 - Support to help you succeed
- Courses in 1st Semester:
 - University Seminar (US) and/or Writing based on placement level
 - Learning Strategies (COLS classes)
 - Core, Math, or Major Interest Classes



The background image shows a multi-story university building with a mix of brick and modern glass-and-metal architecture. It is a winter scene with snow falling and a snow-covered ground. In the foreground, a person in a blue jacket and black hat with a backpack is walking towards the right. Another person is visible in the distance. A row of bicycles is parked in a rack on the left side of the building.

Pre-University Studies Advising Availability

University Studies/Academic Advising Center 130 Gaines Hall

- Open Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm
- Drop-in / Call-in for quick questions
- Appointments for longer conversations
- (406) 994-3532
- Jacqueline.mcdonald@montana.edu

Tips for Success

- GO TO CLASS!
- Reach out if you are struggling. Talk to your instructor and/or Jackee. We're here to help!
- Use academic help centers (Math/Stat, Writing, etc.) and seek out one-on-one tutoring if necessary.
- Connect with Disability Services if you had an IEP or 504 plan in high school. This will allow you to get accommodations in place before the start of the semester.



Advising

Let's get started!



Academic Planning Worksheet

University Studies Academic Planning Worksheet

Preferred Name Champ Bobcat Pronouns (Optional) He/Him ID# -00000000

E-mail One you check often Cell Phone 406-994-3532



Identify Majors, Interests & Challenges

Potential Majors:

Psychology, Business, Environmental Studies

General Interests / Strengths:

Helping people, learning about environmental issues. I'm organized and like leading projects. I enjoy math, hands on activities, and discussions.

Areas of Disinterest / Challenges:

Computer Science, Engineering. Sometimes I struggle with essays.

Anything else you would like us to know:

I had a 504 Plan in high school. I'm planning to work 10 hours a week.



College-Level Credits/AP/IB

Completed College-Level Credits/AP/IB
Courses:
AP Psychology
Dual Enrollment English Comp



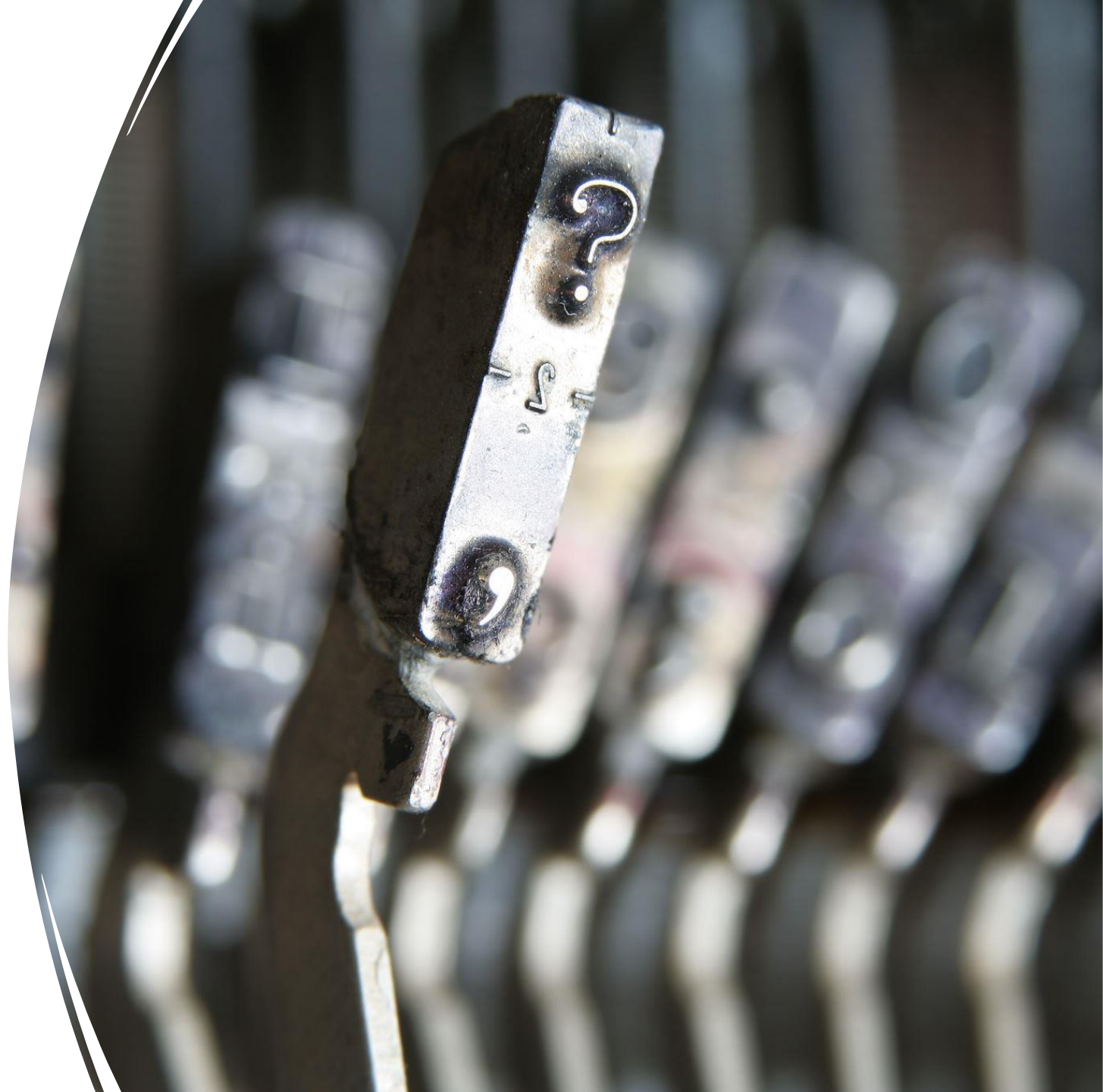
Create a Course List

Course Subj & Number	Course Title	Credits
WRIT 101W	College <u>Writing</u> I (sample)	3
COLS 101US	First Year Seminar	3
COLS 103	College Learning Strategies	1
PSYX 100IS	Intro to Psychology	3
M 090	Introductory Algebra	4



Writing Placement

- Refer to RAWR form for your writing placement
 - **WRIT 080** Building Basic Writing Skills (4 cr.)
 - **WRIT 001/101W** College Writing I with corequisite instruction and support (5 cr.)
 - **WRIT 101W** College Writing I (3 credits)



Learning Strategies (COLS course) Placement

- Your Writing placement dictates which learning strategies (COLS) class you will take and if you will for certain take writing in the fall semester:
 - **WRIT 080 Placement** –
 - **WRIT 080** (4 credits) and **COLS 100** (3 credits)
 - **WRIT 001/101W Placement** -
 - **WRIT 001/101W** (5 credits) and **COLS 103** (1 credit)
 - **WRIT 101W Placement** –
 - **COLS 101US** (3 credits) and **COLS 103** (1 credit). Writing is optional in fall at this level.
 - **Pre-Nursing** students are an exception to this! If you are placed at WRIT 101W, you will not take COLS 101US. You will take COLS 103 and COMX 111US Intro to Public Speaking (required for nursing) either this semester or next.

**Choice of
Core Class
for
WRIT 101W
Placement
Students**

- PSYX 100IS Introduction to Psychology

OR

- GH 100IH Introduction to World Cultures

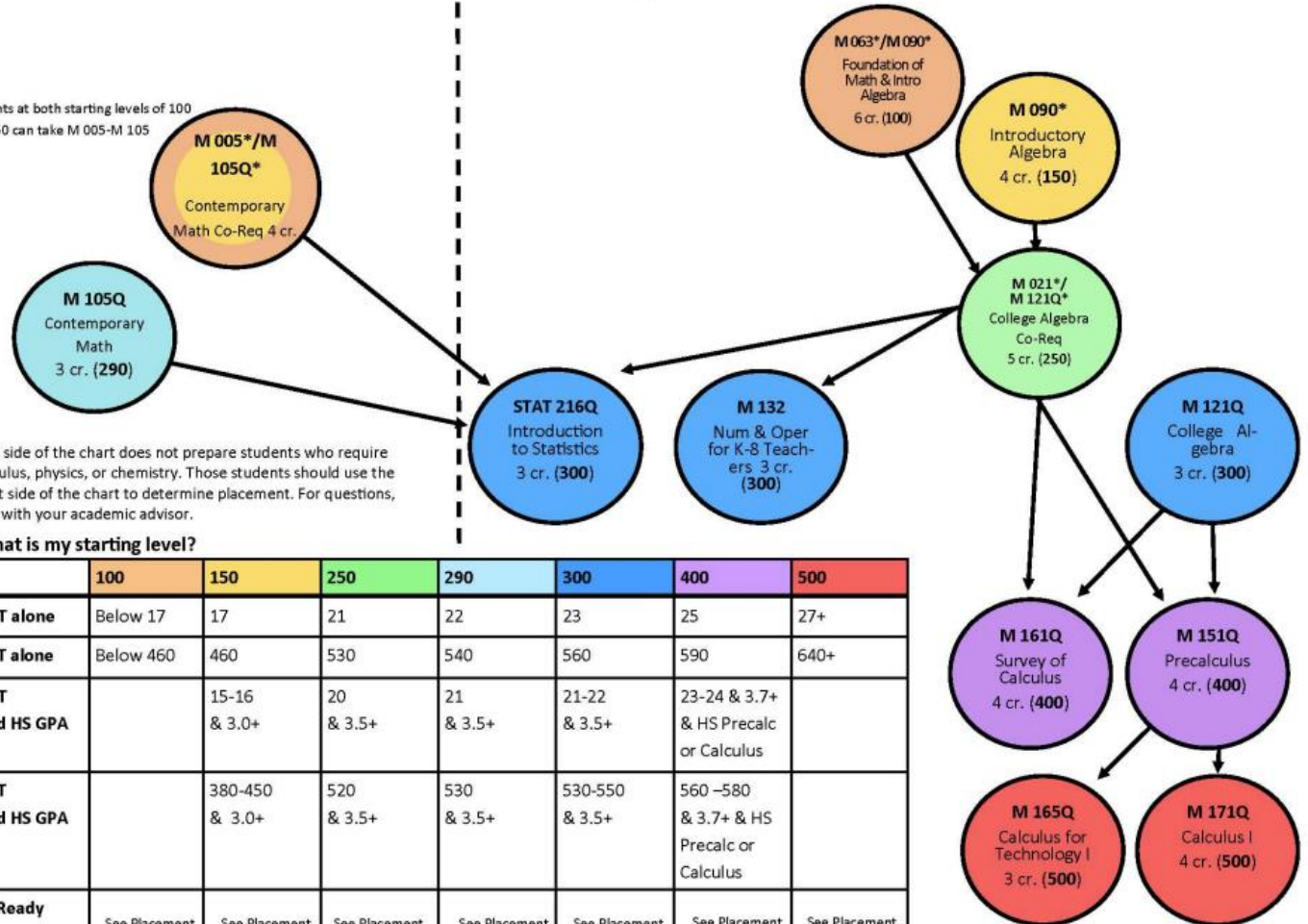
Math Placement

Art, Humanities, & Some Social Sciences

Mathematics Prerequisite Flowchart

STEM, Business, Health, & Some Social Sciences

Students at both starting levels of 100 and 150 can take M 005-M 105



This side of the chart does not prepare students who require calculus, physics, or chemistry. Those students should use the right side of the chart to determine placement. For questions, talk with your academic advisor.

What is my starting level?

	100	150	250	290	300	400	500
ACT alone	Below 17	17	21	22	23	25	27+
SAT alone	Below 460	460	530	540	560	590	640+
ACT and HS GPA		15-16 & 3.0+	20 & 3.5+	21 & 3.5+	21-22 & 3.5+	23-24 & 3.7+ & HS Precalc or Calculus	
SAT and HS GPA		380-450 & 3.0+	520 & 3.5+	530 & 3.5+	530-550 & 3.5+	560-580 & 3.7+ & HS Precalc or Calculus	
EdReady Placement	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks	See Placement tab in DegreeWorks

* Indicates the class is being taught through Gallatin College

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Math Placement Notes

- Level 100 STEM/Business/Health – it is recommended that you wait until spring semester to take M 063/090
- Level 100-300 Art/Humanities - you must wait until spring semester to take M 005/105Q or M 105Q
- Zero-level courses do **NOT** count towards total credits needed to earn your degree
- You can work through Ed Ready Study Path to attempt to level up in math

Choice Classes

WRIT
101W

CORE

MAJOR
INTEREST

What's Next

- Orientation Leader answers general questions & helps with course recommendations
- Advisors will work one-on-one with you. Please be patient 😊
- Take a picture of your Advising Worksheet AFTER Advisor signs it
- **Registration happens tomorrow!**
 - **Bring your RAWR & photo of your Advising Worksheet**
 - **Jackee will pre-register you for most classes, but you will register yourself for your “choice” course(s).**

