

## Academic Open House Week – Tips & Notes for Students

### Reasons to attend Academic Open House Week:

- ✓ This is a chance to chat with faculty, lecturers, and fellow students in any department or program.
- ✓ You will learn about opportunities available through your favorite departments or programs: cool new courses, scholarships, internships, study abroad/away trips, minors, certificates, emphases, research or creative opportunities, careers, etcetera.
- ✓ If you have a major, attend your major’s open house. You will learn something you did not know.
- ✓ If you have a major, also attend other departments’ open houses. Emphases, certificates, minors, and other opportunities can set you apart and round out your major.
- ✓ If you don’t have a major, this is a rare opportunity to ask lots of questions about lots of different departments, and discover some majors you might not have heard of.

### What to do at an Academic Open House:

- ✓ Visit the department’s or program’s website beforehand so you know what to ask and look for.
  - ✓ Faculty and lecturers want to talk to and meet you. — Go ahead and introduce yourself.
  - ✓ Ask lots and lots of questions, this is a time to get those questions answered.
- Examples of what you may ask:** What research or creative opportunities are available? What research interests do faculty and lecturers have? What special courses are offered? What careers are possible with a degree in this major? What opportunities are available to students that I may not have heard of?
- ✓ Tell your goals and interests in the field to faculty and lecturers. They want to know.
  - ✓ Talk to students in the department and ask them about their experience. For example, find out what classes they have enjoyed or what they have been able to research during their academic career.
  - ✓ Thank people for their time!

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