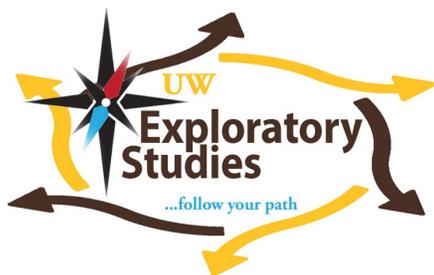


University of Wyoming Exploratory Tracks



This flyer will help you both select an Exploratory Track and begin to plan courses for your first semester at the University of Wyoming. First, select a track that most closely matches your interests and educational goals. Then select 4-5 courses within that track (for a total of 14-17 credit hours). You are **strongly** urged to choose all three courses on the left-hand side that will fulfill USP requirements. The selections on the right are courses within your Exploratory Track that may help you decide on a major to eventually pursue. Courses on the right-hand side may fulfill USP requirements and/or have prerequisites that prevent you from registering. Check with your advisor. For more electives and introductory course ideas, visit www.uwyo.edu/aces/exploratory_studies. For more information on Exploratory Tracks, see pages 2-4.

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Communication, Media & the Arts



People who choose this track are interested in both written and verbal communication to express themselves, relate information, and/or entertain others. If you are a keen follower of the news—whether online or through traditional media—this track might be a good match for you. If you consider yourself a creative person who expresses yourself through the arts (writing, dance, music, theater, visual arts), then one of these majors might be one you

USP Courses

	Credits
First Year Seminar (FYS) (Any course number 1101)	3
Math 1000: Problem Solving (Q) (possible 1080 depending on MPE)	3

Exploratory Courses

Pick 2 classes from these subjects:

- Art
- World/American Sign Language
- Theatre or Theatre Performance
- Dance
- Communication & Journalism
- English/Creative Writing
- Music
- Family & Consumer Science

Math, Data Science & Business



This track is attractive to people who best make sense of the world and information quantitatively. They often describe themselves as “numbers people.” That doesn’t mean all of the majors and careers in this track are completely centered on applying high-level math skills. You’ll begin to notice some overlap with majors in certain tracks. For example, both Communication and Marketing are included in this track. Although there can be a dis-

USP Courses

	Credits
First Year Seminar (FYS) (Any course number 1101)	3
Math 1400: College Algebra (Q) (or MPE nearest Math 2200)	3

Exploratory Courses

Pick 2 classes from these subjects:

- Management
- Statistics
- Computer Science
- Energy Resource Management/Development
- Agricultural Economics
- Accounting
- Economics

Government, Public Policy & Justice



If there is a keyword in this track, it's probably "justice." The majors listed here may lead to careers in social justice through work with humanitarian and human welfare organizations or our national system of justice through legislative, governmental, or judicial channels. People interested in this track will have a keen curiosity about how the

USP Courses

	Credits
First Year Seminar (FYS) (Any course number 1101)	3
Math 1000: Problem Solving (Q) (possible 1080 depending on MPE)	3

Exploratory Courses

Pick 2 classes from these subjects:

- Political Science
- Sociology
- Anthropology
- Environment & Natural Resources
- American Indian Studies
- American Studies
- Gender & Women's Studies
- Latina/o Studies

Human Service, Wellness & Social Science



This track focuses directly on majors that emphasize human services and individual wellness. People who are a good match for this track are drawn to serving others, either through education, health and wellness fields, or agencies that serve human needs within our society. Those drawn to these majors and careers are not just interested in how the elements of society work together, they desire a direct role in the functions of society, often in

USP Courses

	Credits
First Year Seminar (FYS) (Any course number 1101)	3
Math 1000: Problem Solving or Math 1400: College Algebra	3

Exploratory Courses

Pick 2 classes from these subjects:

- American Studies
- Anthropology/Archaeology
- Political Science
- American Indian Studies
- Gender and Women's Studies
- Religious Studies
- African American Studies
- Latina/o Studies
- World/American Sign Language
- Psychology
- Family Consumer Sciences
- Kinesiology

Overview of University of Wyoming Exploratory Tracks

Some students enter the University of Wyoming knowing exactly which major they will declare. Many do not. Traditionally, students who have not yet decided on a major, begin their academic career as "Undeclared," meaning they are not attached to a specific college or program.

Now the University of Wyoming offers an alternative to the Undeclared status in the form of several Exploratory Tracks students can pursue that may eventually lead to a major. Each student entering UW will either have declared a major or chosen an Exploratory Track. The Exploratory

Sciences, Technology & the Environment



Although this track is very straightforward, there are a wide range of majors and careers represented. In addition to the technology arena through engineering and other majors, those drawn to this track are interested in the “hard” sciences, as well as the many majors involved with environmental management and protection. This track

USP Courses

	Credits
First Year Seminar (FYS) (Any course number 1101)	3
Math 1400: College Algebra (Q) (or MPE nearest Math 2200)	3

Exploratory Courses

Pick 2 classes from these subjects:

- Atmospheric Science
- Astronomy
- Animal Science
- Agroecology
- Chemistry (CHEM 1020)
- Geology
- Physics (PHYS 1110)
- Environment & Natural Resources
- Energy Resources Management/Development

Culture, Society & Diversity



Although similar to *Communication, Media & the Arts*, this track is less focused on performance and creative pursuits and is more interested in diving deeply into the aspects of culture itself, perhaps from academic study and research perspectives. Why do what we do? How are our actions, interests, and influences reflected in society around us? This track appeals to those whose curiosity about who we are as a people runs deep and who want to

USP Courses

	Credits
First Year Seminar (FYS) (Any course number 1101)	3
Math 1000: Problem Solving (Q) (possible 1080 depending on MPE)	3

Exploratory Courses

Pick 2 classes from these subjects:

- African American Studies
- Latina/o Studies
- Anthropology
- English
- Gender & Women’s Studies
- American Indian Studies
- American Studies
- Art, Music, Theatre & Dance
- World/American Sign Language
- Geography

Our faculty and professional advising staff collaborated to create these Exploratory Tracks and suggested courses in each for first-year students to explore examples of offerings typical to the majors represented within each track.

For first-year students living in the UW Residence Halls, specific floors have been identified as learning communi-

ties that incorporate many of the Exploratory Tracks listed above. Students will be given more information about these learning communities when they complete the Residence Hall contracts.

If you have questions about Exploratory Tracks or would like to talk to an advisor about choosing the Track that

Exploratory Tracks Frequently Asked Questions

Is an Exploratory Track the same as a Major?

Although an individual Exploratory Track may lead to a Major Program of Study it is not a declared Major. When you choose an Exploratory Track, you are expressing an interest in a general field of study and will explore courses in that selected track.

I already know my Major. Do I also have to choose an Exploratory Track?

Congratulations on making your choice! If you have already declared a Major, you do not need to choose an Exploratory Track. The goal of an Exploratory Track is to discover a Major that fits your goals and interests. If you've already accomplished that task, carry on with your degree program.

If I haven't decided on a Major, do I *have* to select an Exploratory Track? Can't I just be Undeclared?

There is no longer a general Undeclared track at the University of Wyoming. We feel that these Exploratory Tracks are generic enough to allow students to explore lots of possible majors while still completing their general education requirements.

After I choose an Exploratory Track, will I be automatically enrolled in a program of courses?

A chosen Exploratory Track only presents a possible menu of courses to sample; you will still be individually advised by one of our professional Academic Advisors, and the ultimate choice of courses to take is yours.

If I choose an Exploratory Track does that mean I have to eventually choose a Major listed in that Track?

The purpose of Exploratory Tracks is to explore a general field of study that meets your current interests. Maybe taking a course in that Track helped you change your original intentions to study in a particular area, and now you want to declare a Major listed in a completely different Track. If you meet the requirements for a particular plan of study, you can declare any Major you like or begin your path toward meeting the requirements for that program no matter in which Track it was listed.

Important Steps to Remember:

1. Visit www.uwyo.edu/aces/exploratory_studies for more complete information on tracks and courses.
2. Review this worksheet and begin to make a class



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