Wednesday, July 17th Webinar

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Hello, we are ready to begin the webinar. I am speaking right now. If you cannot hear me, please adjust the sound on your computer. Each slide will have captions at the bottom with what is being spoken and we will type all answers for the QA. So it is not imperative to listen to the audio.

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Hi everybody. My name is Amy argyris Dupont. And I'm glad you're joining us for this informational webinar.

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My Hope Is this webinar is a good opportunity for you to get to know Casa before you arrive and have a good understanding of how we can support you while you are at mines I will be talking for about 15 minutes. Our presentation has time built-in for questions at the end. We kindly ask you hold off on sending questions until the QA as we may address your questions throughout the presentation.

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When the time comes to send questions, you can send them via the chat feature on your screen displayed as a question mark in the chat bubble on the top right of the webinar.

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During our time together will meet the casa team learn about Casa Services launched A Brief Review and helpful information The Final Countdown important summer dates and summertime tips to help you prepare for fall.

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My hope is our time together will help you prepare for your first semester at mines. In addition. You will have a better idea of where to go for assistance and support. Here's a little bit about me. I thought you might want to know a little bit about me. I was born and raised in the suburbs of Chicago, which means I'm pretty opinionated about food, especially Pizza don't even get me started on deep dish. I'm entering my eighth year as a member of the casa staff. I have been a part of Casa since our very first day as an office. I'm a third-generation Cubs fan. Yes. I cried when we won the World Series and I'm still in shock. It even happened lovable losers no more when I'm not busy enjoying my time at mines. I'm spending time with my very active three-year-old son, Nico and my husband Adam.

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This is our latest office picture a couple of highlights about our staff Armando on the left is our administrative coordinator. You will interact with him when you visit our office and he is a great resource. I'm next to Armando. I advise students with the last names a through C.

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Erica is kneeling by me. She advises last names Q through Z. Lisa is kneeling opposite of Erica and advises K through P. Jenner director is to the right of our sign-in advises all students returning to Minds after leave last but not least. Kyle is on the right. He is on a new adventure at minds and we will have a new advisor brought on board soon in the meantime D 3j students can reach out to any advisor.

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Visit our website for more information on our team Casa dot mines dot EDU.

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Casa provides a variety of services ranging from tutoring to facilitating some academic courses. Let's take the next few minutes to highlight our services for more in-depth information again, visit Casa dot mines dot EDU.

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Our more popular services are in the area of pure academic support tutoring and core review sessions the focus of tutoring spans a good portion of the mines curriculum. Our peer educators are sophomores through seniors pursuing a wide variety of majors and minors.

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Tutoring is designed for students in need of assistance as well as students looking for a place to study where they can ask questions. Should they arise tutor specifics locations and times will be posted on our website as a rule tutoring is from 5 to 11 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays.

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In case you didn't know tutoring is a Supportive Service and is completely free.

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core review sessions are pre-exam workshops led by student facilitators sessions provide additional exposure to course material and weekly office hours are held by facilitators during Casa tutoring hours Falk or review sessions will include Biology one Calculus 1 calculus to calculus 3 chemistry one physics 1 and physics to Casa has both peer advisors and front desk assistants here to help you. They are undergraduate sophomores Juniors and seniors pursuing different Majors that minds they're here to provide walk-in advising assistance and share their experience at mines. They are really excited to meet you and guide you while you are a Minds.

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They can provide you with a valuable student perspective on course load faculty teaching styles and academic success tips.

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As the semester approaches their bio information and office hours will be available on our website. They are eager to meet and assist you and we think they are pretty awesome.

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Casa also offers academic coaching coaching is a one-on-one opportunity to work with your advisor on topics. Like study skills test preparation and time management.

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Often these topics are not once you may have had to consider in high school. Our goal is to support you as you pursue your studies at mines.

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Faculty from a variety of academic departments host their office hours in Casa. We call this faculty and casa.

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The pictures on this slide reflect former and current faculty in Casa at times our cozy faculty office shown here with students and dr. Falconer becomes a bit small and we moved to our study hall for a larger review sessions.

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Our faculty and Casa program has been recognized as an outstanding advising program by the national academic advising Association.

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Our building is actually a small house. Our study hall is available after hours with your blaster card or your student ID. We love our space and hope you will too.

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Let's take a couple of minutes to chat about the information. We share at off at lunch. The registrar's office will work very diligently to ensure you are taking the appropriate classes this coming fall to that end. They will be building your schedule based on the information. You have shared with mines this information includes your intended major any AP IB or transfer credit you have Varsity Athletics and themed learning communities.

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AP scores should be in your Trailhead account soon. If you do not see them by the middle of July, which is right about now, please check to make sure you sent your scores to Minds.

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You can anticipate being enrolled in 16 to 18 credits for the fall semester. If you aren't comfortable with the schedule you received please contact us before you make changes.

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Let's look a little bit more closely at the 16 to 18 credits. You will be taking this fall during your first one and a half to two years. You will be completing what we call the Core curriculum.

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Core classes in compass Calculus 1 through differential equations known as diff EQ chemistry physics physical activities Humanities and social sciences design and first-year seminar, the courses that make up the core or a detailed in our course catalog. Visit catalog dot Minds dot edu for more detailed information including the chart that is on the screen.

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Once you have completed the bulk of the Court, you can move forward with more degrees specific courses. The core courses are often prerequisites to Major coursework.

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Here are a few friendly reminders. If you haven't already sent your AP and IB and college transcripts to Minds as soon as possible.

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Access Trailhead and view your fall schedule beginning August first, please do not contact it. I'm sorry.

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Please do contact us if you want to revise your schedule so we can discuss changes you want to make I wouldn't be a good advisor. If I didn't have some words of wisdom to impart on you first Embrace this moment. You have worked incredibly hard to get here. This is an exciting time filled with new experiences. Enjoy it this year will be a time where you are learning a lot about yourself how to manage your time differently what is important to you both academically and socially the beginning of this year will be a lot of new experiences for you.

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There may be some uncertainty may be some anxiety and a lot of excitement welcome the newness be open to meeting new people and going through things you had never experienced before Second email is our primary way of communicating outside of the classroom and office. Please monitor your minds email account daily. Third get organized the days of keeping track of everything in your head maybe over we encourage you to find and use a planner. In fact, we have free planners for you. Visit us at Celebration of Mines to get one.

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Take a little time this summer to set some realistic goals for your fall. Think about what you would like to experience how you how you would like to perform how you will seek support and write it out. Look over your goals and chat with us if you need assistance.

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Lastly get to know mines visit the websites for Casa the academic programs and other offices and departments contact us with questions. We love hearing from students. Thank you for your time and attention today as a kind of reminder class schedule details will be finalized on August 1st when your schedule is finalized in trailhead.

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If you want to revise your schedule, please contact contact us before making changes.

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Disability Support Services. If you are a student who currently receives accommodations in high school either through an IEP or a 504 plan and or have a need for an accommodation at Minds, please note that you will need to register with disability Support Services registering with disability Support Services involves completing an online application, which is available on the DSs website app HTTP colon forward slash forward slash w-w-w dot Minds dot edu forward slash disability - support - Services forward slash aim forward slash students are encouraged to register well in advance of the start of school if possible. They should contact DSS directly with any questions at 3:03 3273297 or disability support at mines dot EDU.

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Before we get sick the QA, please follow us on social media.

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Now we'll get to your questions. Please type in questions you may have and we'll do our best to answer them. If you have a personal question, you do not want answered in the to the entire audience. You can email me or state that your question is private. Please click on the chat bubble with the question mark inside to access the chat as displayed above.

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Will answer questions verbally as well as typed through the Q&A box.

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Will answer questions about Casa academics and schedules we encourage you to contact other offices if you have questions for them, and we can send you their contact information.

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I'll leave that screen up for you to see those different resources. And at this time, please feel free to send your questions are away. We will like we said answer them verbally as well as type them out.

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I'll go ahead and take the first question do Tutors or other student assistants get paid for their work. Yes. We do pay all student employees of Casa are paid to our tutors are paid we funded them directly, but that's not a charge that you have to worry about. We cover all those costs.

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Okay, we've got another question. When will we find out which books to get for our classes? Good question. Once you get your schedule, what you can do is go to the bookstores website and I'll get that link up here shortly in the chat box, but you can look it up course by course to see what textbooks are required. You can order them through the bookstore. You can definitely shop around if that's something you want to do Amazon's always, you know, a good option. The books are also has textbook rental available for a lot of the core classes, especially so great way to maybe kind of mitigate costs, but also have a textbook for the semester then you'll turn it back in in December.

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Okay, the next question is can students can transfer students participate in the EM climb, or is it Four Freshmen only know all students are invited to the m climb. We encourage transfer students to participate because it's a great minds tradition. It's a great way to meet other students.

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Alright next question. How do you declare a minor so students can declare a minor once they declare their major students declare their major. Once you're through the Core Curriculum. Usually that's around sophomore year for students. Once you declare your major, we hand you off to a faculty advisor and it's with your faculty advisor that you can declare your minor. However, you are welcome to start working on the minor and hitting up some of those courses as soon as you're ready for it.

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Okay, the next question is what does your most common pre-med track look like and I will tell you here at Minds a lot of the Core Curriculum meets a lot of the requirements for medical school prerequisites. We have a pre-med Society. So there is an actual club that can help you with everything related to preparing for medical school and that has a faculty advisor associated with it. A lot of are pre-med students study chemical engineering in part because if they decide not to go on to medical school, they have a degree in engineering degree that they're interested in and they can also pursue the biomedical minor which also meets a lot of the requirements for pre-med but students can study honestly any engineering track that they want or chemistry. So any of the science or engineering degrees as long as they're meeting all the requirements for what the medical school wants students to have entering medical school.

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And those are pretty common and standard across the board for all medical schools and the pre-med Society goes over that with students, too.

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Okay, our next question. If I got a 5 on both AP macro and AP microeconomics which Humanities course courses will I still need to take so those two combined will give you private credit for principles of economics. So you BGN 201 outside of that you will have the rest of the humanities track. You will need to take you got nature and human values, which is usually the first course followed by Global Studies and three electives of your choosing at the mid and 400 level.

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Alright next question. How do I see if my AP scores and or college transcripts have been submitted and how can I find them in Trailhead right. Now you all have the system through admissions called slate and that is where you can see what's been sent and what's been received. When you receive your schedule on August 1st in your Trailhead account under unofficial transcript, you'll be able to see what credits were transferred in and how they transferred in.

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Okay, the next question is what are some valid reasons to change the academic schedule provided by mines on the August 1st, and that's a great question. So the registrar's office took into account all of the credits that you brought into Minds when they created your schedule as long as they had received them. So really the big reasons that your schedule would want to be changed is if you changed your mind on what you decided you wanted to major in and maybe there's a class on there that is not applicable to your new degree. Or maybe you decided that you don't want to have as many credits. So you want to reduce the number of credits that you're taking. Those are the big ones sometimes students want to change their schedule because they don't like the times but I will be honest and say that the schedule is very tight. So changing from one section to another of the same course just to get a better time.

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It'd be very difficult because there's only limited capacity. So really I wouldn't recommend changing your schedule unless there's something that didn't transfer in automatically for AP IB or dual enrollment credit or if you want to reduce or you're changing your your major.

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Okay, our next question. Can we choose what physical education classes we would like to take for the fall at this point the answers kind of know you may or may not actually be scheduled. We call it P a physical activity you may or may not actually be able schedule for a class your first semester. They're going to schedule for your big classes first. So where you are in the math sequence science chemistry physics as kind of pieces and then fill in around it. You can definitely change it if there's room in another course you would like to take again availability is very limited right now. Another thing or you can wait and take them to another time. One thing to keep in mind you complete four separate semesters of a PA class by the time you graduate. So it's definitely something you can spread out over your time here.

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Our next question, are there any requirements to become a tutor? Yes. So our tutors have to be at least a sophomore and with a 3.4 mines GPA. We also make sure that our tutors are have completed most of the core classes successfully and also great customer service skills. When our tutor positions open up. We post them on bigger net which is our campus job posting site students can apply send in their resume and then they're asked to come in for an interview. Usually we hire about 10 to 15 each Academic Year. So as soon as you are a sophomore level and you have that strong GPA, please reach out to us about getting you a job as a tutor.

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Okay, the next question. We're in Trailhead. Do we view AP scores and later our final schedule? So in Trailhead if you look under your academic transcript so under the student tab, it's Student Records. You can one of the options is unofficial transcript your AP scores your transfer credits. They'll all be posted there as they're being updated in Trailhead and then in addition through the self the student tab, you go to registration and Trailhead and you can click on detail schedule or you can click on week at a glance and change the date to August 19th, which is the first day of classes and you can see your full schedule and a kind of a calendar view.

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So after August on or after August First go into Trailhead and you can see your schedule and either of those places student detail schedule or week at a glance and you should be able to see all of your transcript transfer credit whether that's transfer credit or AP IB scores on August 1st if they're not already in there.

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Is there any tutoring available for each core course? So our tutors are knowledgeable in all courses some are stronger in some areas than others. But our tutors are all required to feel comfortable within the core so they can help with chemistry physics calculus on our website. You can find a list of all our tutors and their Majors Just A good rule of thumb Camis tend to be chemical engineering Majors tend to be able to help with chemistry our physics students not so much but they can help you with physics. So getting to know our tutors is a good idea knowing what their strong points are building those Rapport building a rapport with the tutor. So then when you come in, you know exactly who's there and and can chat with them and get the help that you need. But all of our tutors will be able to help you with the core classes.

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Care next question are there employment opportunities in Casa for freshman year typically for most of our position positions. We do look for students at least their sophomore year so that you are familiar with the campus and you can provide that insight to other students. However something to keep in mind you will get access to Digger net in the next couple weeks and that's through the career center. So it's a job posting site and you can check out internship opportunities all sorts of things, but also on campus jobs are posted there as well. So it's a great resource.

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Okay, the next question can we start to choose electives come this spring semester say yes, but meet with your advisor first to ensure you are taking all the right classes to so it depends on kind of where you're at with the Core Curriculum if if you have room in your schedule to take an elective course as well as keep moving forward with the core because those courses are prerequisites for major specific classes. You're welcome to take an elective. So my word of advice is talk with your advisor first to make sure we're keeping you on track for your path to graduation.

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Alright next question if a student is enrolled in ROTC are they exempt from physical activity classes? Yes, ROTC does the take the place of your physical activity requirement other things that can take the place of the physical activity requirements are Varsity Sports if we have any Varsity athletes out there and club sports as well.

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Our next question is I got a 5 on both AP calc 1 and 2 do I jump straight into calc 3 and then linear algebra and differential equations. Good question if you got a 5 on the calc.

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Apbc exam so the DC exam specifically you do get credit for calc 1 and Cal to however and the only way you can get full credit for calc 2 you will be enrolled in what we call short form. It's a five-week bridge course to kind of cover the pieces we go into a little more in depth here. You will need to complete that in order to get credit the full credit for calc 2. Yes, you will take calculus 3 generally at the same time and then differential equations can also be you know thrown in there as well linear algebra is not required for all programs. So that gets a little more major specific but yes, it will keep you moving through the calc sequence.

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Can I get a job as a tutor if I am an international students? Yes, you can apply to be a tutor as long as you meet the requirements and Your sponsorship allows you to work on campus.

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Okay our next question.

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When do we choose work-study jobs, if you are awarded work-study in your financial aid package, you can start looking for jobs through the Career Center's Digger net once this semester has started and actually we've heard that they tend to allow you to get access a couple of weeks before the semester starts. So you can apply for on-campus jobs. A lot of them will note that they're accepting work-study students most jobs will on campus, but it'll show in the description what types of students can apply for the positions, but you're not given a position you have to apply for them and interview and all that good stuff.

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Okay, our next question if I'm playing a club sport. How do I use that for PA credit? We have a club sport advisor. Who does that new works over in our rec center, you will work with him to get signed up for PA credit and I'll send you the link for their website. I don't know if they have that updated yet for the fall, but they'd will have information about PE credit for club sports.

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All right, that looks like we're at the end of our questions, but feel free will stay on for a few more minutes. If there's other questions you want to send please feel free to do so at this time.

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Okay, we'll give you one more minute to send questions.

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So, you know a recording of This webinar will be available when we complete all of our webinars this month.

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When we have a couple more questions coming in now.

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Okay. Our first question that came in is there anything mandatorily have to do before moving into the dorms that I don't know you will need to contact residents life, but I'll give you their links so that way you can go check out their website and their contact information will be on the front page.

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Okay, and then the next question is about AP scores.

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And I'm just going to pull up some information for you.

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So the question is sorry. There's a lot more questions coming in.

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This is a four on the AP BC calc at you out of calc 1 so for calculus a 4 on the AP b c section gets you credit for calculus one effective this fall.

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Next question if I'm looking to major in computer engineering will I still need to take cs101? Yes computer science 101 intro to computer science is a course requirement to receive your computer science Computer Engineering degree. So, yes, you will have to take that course unless it is a credit that you are bringing in from Dual credit or from a community college or transferring it in from somewhere else.

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Okay, our next question. Are we assigned an academic advisor? And when will we meet them good question. So we're all advisors you are assigned an advisor. It is based off of last name. I'll send you our website so you can see the breakdown for that BSU do currently have an advisor. You are welcome to come by when you get on campus and say hi. We are here all summer as well and we'll be there for move in. But yeah, and you'll be hearing from us all throughout the fall as well. A lots of communication will be workshops will be having so lots of chance to come in and chat with us as well. But I'll send you that link so you can see who your advisor is.

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Okay, the next question is if I have transfer credits for calc one from a community college in Colorado. Will I be able to jump right into calc 2 as long as we have an agreement with that Community College, which is typically most of the ones in the state of Colorado for guaranteed transfer if you earned a c or better in calc 1 the credit would transfer here and you would go into calculus 2.

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Do you know when details about the Thorson honors winner trip will be released. We do not have that information. However, I will include the link to the Thorson website as well as a contact so you can ask them that question directly.

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However, another question what does the credit requirements look like? I'm not sure exactly to what you're referring exactly. But where you can see if you're looking for like degree requirements things like that. You can see that in the catalog you can also see that on the Department's website, but the catalog and I'll send you that website catalogs at mines dot edu is the official source for all of your credit information.

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Okay, the next question is if I got a 4 on the AP Physics Exam does that mean Iron elective credits? I have a call out to the physics department for clarification on this but typically if you earn a for on the it depends on which one you're taking but if you earn a for on electricity or mechanics, you have to take the challenge exam to move on to the next one and if you don't pass the challenge exam, then you're awarded the credits the free elective credits. I don't think just bringing in the AP scores gives you the elective credit automatically. However, I'm waiting to hear back from from the physics department about that. So I'm going to include my email address in this answer so that the person who asked me this question can shoot me an email so that I can write them back when I have the correct information.

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Where can I register to take the challenge exam to test out of physics 1 students are invited to take the challenge exams based on their AP and transfer credit. So if you meet the requirement that the physics department is looking for they will send you correspondence and email inviting you to take the challenge exam and usually that happens around week one of classes. And our last question just cost to have a specific advisor for transfer students or should I reach out to someone based on my last name. We all work or transfer student so you can reach out to your advisor based on your last name kind of same as our first year students.

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Okay, any final questions? I think I appreciate you all sending those in.

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We will give it one more minute and then we will go ahead and sign out for today. We really appreciate you participating in joining us. We hope you have a wonderful remainder of the summer. Look back towards the very beginning of August and all of this information from this webinar will be posted on our website. Alright. Alright. Thank you so much to good care.