Wednesday, July 31st Webinar

Transcript

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Thought you might like to know a little bit about me. I was born and raised right down the road in Arvada, Colorado. I'm a mines Alum and graduated in 2006 with a degree in petroleum engineering. I have been an advisor in Casa for two and a half years and love working with students when I'm not busy enjoying my time at mines. I love to spend time with my husband family and friends and enjoying the beauty of Colorado.

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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.

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Amy is next to Armando and she advises students with the last names a through C.

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Erica is kneeling by Amy. And she advises last names Q through z.

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I am kneeling opposite of Erica and advise last names K through p.

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Jen our director is to the right of our sign and advises all students returning to Minds after a leave.

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Last is Kyle on the right he is on to a new adventure at mines and we will have a new advisor brought on board soon in the meantime D through J. 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 more in-depth and for more in-depth information visit Casa Da Minds dot EDU.

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Our more popular services are in the area of peer academic support. Just tutoring and core review sessions.

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The focus of tutoring spans a good portions of the mines curriculum are 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?

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Cheater specifics locations and times will be posted on our website as a rule tutoring is from 5 to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday.

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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.

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Sessions provide additional exposure to course material and weekly office hours are held by facilitators during to to Casa tutoring office hours.

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Falcor review sessions 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.

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They are available on a walk-in basis and 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 office hours will be available on our website. They are eager to meet and assist you and 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 often. These topics are not ones 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 various 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 and 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 larger review sessions.

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Our faculty and Casa program has been recognized and just 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, which is 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 data launch.

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The registrar's office will work very diligently diligently to ensure you are taking the appropriate classes is coming fall to that end. They will be building your schedule based on the information. You have shared with mines.

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This information includes your intended major any AP IB or transfer credit. You have Varsity Athletics seem to learning communities Etc.

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AP scores should be in your Trailhead account soon. If you do not see them by now. Please make sure to check that you have 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 receive please contact us before making changes. Keep in mind. You will not be able to make changes before August 6th.

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Let's look a little 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 and Compass Calculus 1 through differential equations known as diff EQ chemistry physics physical activities Humanities and social science design and first-year seminar.

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The courses that make up the core are detailed in our course catalog visit catalog dot mines 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 core, you can move forward with more degree specific courses. The courses are often prerequisites to Major coursework.

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

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Access Trailhead and view your schedule on August 6th.

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Please contact us if you want to revise your schedule so we can discuss the 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've worked incredibly hard to get here. This is an exciting time filled with new experiences. Enjoy it.

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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 the year will be a lot of new experiences for you. There may be some uncertainty maybe some anxiety and a lot of excitement.

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Welcome the newness be open to meeting new people and going through things. You've never experienced before.

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Second email is our primary way of communicating outside of the classroom in the office. Please monitor your minds email account daily.

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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 binds to get one.

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Take a little time this summer just set some realistic goals for your fall. Think about what you would like to experience 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 contact us with questions. We love hearing from students.

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Thank you for your time and attention today as a kind reminder class schedule details will be finalized on August 6th when your schedule is finalized in trailhead.

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If you want to revise your schedule, please contact us before making any 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 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 at HTTP colon forward slash forward slash w-w-w dot Minds dot edu forward slash disability Support Services forward slash aim students are encouraged to register well in advance of the start of school if possible and 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 to the Q&A, 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 answer to the entire audience. You can email me or state that your question is private.

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Please click on the chat bubble with the question mark inside to access the chat as displayed above will answer questions verbally, as well as typed through the Q&A box.

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Well 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 again schedules will be finalized and available on August 6th.

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Okay, so we'll open it up for questions. Now again, you can type it into the question box and we will answer verbally as well as typed.

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Okay, we have our first question. How do you get exposed to various disciplines of engineering to decide a major great question. Our core classes cover are similar for all of our Majors SoCal chemistry physics. All of those pieces are going to give you really good exposure on different Majors. We also encourage you to reach out to various departments. If you've got specific questions or want to go more in depth. We can also meet with you as your advisor to talk about how to explore different Majors or if you're deciding between two kind of helping you decide what resonates most with you.

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Okay, and we have a second question is how do we contact you to change our schedule do schedule changes have to be made after August 6th. And yes, you will have access to change your schedule after August 6 and you can email us at Casa at - dot edu or you can give us a call and I will paste both of our email address and our phone number our phone number 3 0 33842600. So you can give us a call you will be able to make changes to your schedule yet. We really do encourage you to contact us before you make any changes. Okay, our next question. Will there be a chance for students to speak with an advisor about a four-year plan?

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Yes, absolutely one school get started and underway students are more than welcome to come meet with us and we can actually sit down with them and kind of map out what their four years will look like we can also look at Different Majors if they're kind of in between but yes, that is absolutely something we can do as an advisor.

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Okay. Our next question is what is a short form class and short form is a class that you take to help with the bridge between calculus courses. We teach calculus a little bit out of sequence here. So if you've taken a calculus course, like calc 1 or calc 2, you'll take a short form class in order to make sure that you have the material that you may have missed in another class as you go on to the next course.

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Okay, our next question. Hi. Thanks for your information. Will you're welcome. Thanks for listening. As I have some courses on summer semester in the grades are available after August 6th. How can I change my schedule good question. You probably won't if it's a prerequisite for a course you need to take in the fall. You won't be able to register for that and tell the greatest processed in the the transfer credit is process. It's something we may have to wait on until all of that gets in the system. However you have until census day which is or excuse me, September 4th to get schedules changed at and drop courses. So we do have plenty of time to get that but you will do it through Trailhead and there's information on the registrar's website on how to do that or you can contact us. We will absolutely walk you through it.

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Okay, our next question is where in Trailhead do we see where AP scores are registered and you will want to view your transcript in Trailhead and I am going to send the link that has the information about how to access your transcript in Trailhead. Basically, it's going to be looking through self-service student student records and then your academic transcript and it will come in as transfer credit.

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Okay, our next question. How many clubs is it? Reasonable to join your first year good question really up to you and how you know comfortable you are filling with your own. Excuse me time management and you know what your interests are. I would say, you know, keep in mind maybe look at your schedule get a planner and kind of map out. What a typical week is going to look like for you in terms of class obligation study time and things like that and then with clubs you're interested in, you know asks, it might be a good question to ask. What is the time commitment? That way you kind of have a good expectation of what you can expect on the Friday. The first week of school will be celebration of Mines all the clubs and organizations will be out there. So you can actually ask questions get on their email lists all kinds of things, but that may be a good place to start.

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Okay, our next question is if you start off in calc 1 or any other entry level class will that set you back in the future and no it should not as long as you take the credits listed in the degree plan. So each degree starts with Calculus one and it includes a four-year plan to graduation.

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So I if you visit catalog dot mines dot edu, and then look on the undergraduate programs, you will have information for each major and you can take a look at the information and it will list all the courses required for that major and what classes you should be taking each semester, but every single one of the those programs begin with Calculus 1 Okay, another question where we find AP test results on the trailhead site to find what was allowed to transfer so gem kind of mentioned that above so she's got the website up there but it is in your unofficial transcript, which you can pull up and Trailhead, but if you see above you'll see the website for that as well.

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And our next question is how do we get in contact with my advisor?

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And I'm actually trying to pull up our website information right now, and it's Being a little sticky with me, but Casa dot mines dot edu has all of the information and under advising. It does list your advisors information. And then there is a casa contact form and that will actually go to our main email box and then we'll be able to get back with you right there. So either you can contact us at mines dot edu or use that contact form and I will send out the link for that.

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Okay, our next question if I miss launched and was not able to get my student ID. Where do I go to get that great question. The Blaster Card office is located on the first floor of the Student Center so you can stop by anytime there when you're on campus to get that. So if you're not going to be here till move in no worries, you can do that during move-in if your local and can stop by during week. You can do that as well. But yes, they are on the first floor of the Student Center.

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Okay. Our next question says that we thought we had exposure to different types of Engineering in classes in order to help figure out your major. So there are some introductory courses for some Majors that help you understand a little bit more about that major but that doesn't happen for all of them. So we really do encourage each student to engage with both us with peers across campus and faculty and learn more about that department. So again, it might be possible to take an introductory course, but it might not be possible for for all of them. But again, we'll work with you individually on that. So I really encourage you to reach out to your advisor and we'll have great conversations throughout the fall semester to talk about your possible areas of Interest. Okay. Another question. Where can we check to see where we received our AP scores?

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So yeah check above but it is on your unofficial transcript and Trailhead. I mean Jen included the link above this wall.

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So our next question, the registrar's office has yet to receive our AP scores. Is it too late to send them in and green credit for pass exams? Good question. No, it is not too late. You can send those in at any point. However, we recommend you do that as soon as possible at this point. If you haven't had them ordered them to be sent to minds. They probably won't factor into your first semester schedule at this point, or at least not the one that is created for you once they get them in there. And that credits there. We in Casa can help you rearrange your schedule if needed. We got to definitely get this sent in as soon as you can.

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Okay. Our next question says Where would AP scores show up on the applicant portal? And I answered I don't believe they will show up on the applicant portal only in Trailhead. The applicant portal is a little bit of a bridge from being an applicant to being a current student. And now that you're a current student especially as we're approaching the start of classes Trailhead is going to be your main source of information. And because AP credits came in, you know, only a couple weeks ago that they'll be I believe they'll be only in Trailhead. So Trailhead should be the most accurate spot that you are checking for those AP scores.

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Okay our next question.

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Is it possible not to use an AP credit to place out of a class example AP chem score fireplace amniotic M1 and just make it an elective credit. No, unfortunately, you can't convert it to an elective credit. So if you deny the credit it goes away completely. So yeah, when it comes to things like chemistry calculus physics those do have to be used for the class. They're labeled for they cannot be used for elective credit. If you are a debating on whether or not to deny your AP credit a couple things to keep in mind, it's a very personal choice and how comfortable you feel with the curriculum, maybe how long ago you took the class but we've also vetted that curriculum our faculty has so you've got the appropriate score. We do feel you have the foundation to move forward in the sequence again very much up to you. If you do want to deny your credit, there is a forum through the registrar's office. You will have to complete but keep in mind if you deny your credit, it's a one-time choice. You will not be able to get it back if you change your minds.

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Okay. Our next question says is it possible for freshmen to enroll in a foreign language class for the fall semester? So possibly it really is going to depend on your course schedule and the availability of the course you which you wish to take. You can check course availability in Trailhead and I am taking a look at where I'm going to get a link for where you can actually look up courses. So I'm going to be sending out a link that has a direct link to our Dynamic scheduler and you can take a look at the fall 2019 course offerings and foreign language will actually be listed under foreign language so you can so I will add more information. So look at fall 2019 and foreign language. So again, if you have availability and the time works and the course is open then you could register.

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for that course Okay, our next question. What is the honors class? So I may need a little more context on that. We have honors math courses available for anyone coming in with Advanced Credit. They may be put in the honors version. There's also an honors program. So if you're what you would have had to apply to already which is the Thorson first-years honors program, which takes the place of design in nature and human values. So it's a more cohesive class for Honor specifically. There is also a McBride honors program. You can apply for that during the Spring of your freshman year or your first year at Minds to start that The Following fall.

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Okay, our next question says how do I sign up for work study in Wind? I'm going to be sending out the link for financial aid that has student employment information because it really is a combination of your financial aid and finding a job on campus. So if you are awarded work-study funds then you will need to find a job on campus in order to receive those funds there will be an on-campus work-study job fair at the beginning of the year and you'll be able to attend that and then also about next week. You should the end of next week. You'll be entered into Digger net which is our job posting ants job posting website. And so you'll be able to see on campus jobs that are hiring for the fall semester as well. So really at any point in time during the year, you can look for an on-campus job.

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Okay. Next question. Do you have to take 16 to 18 credits? No very much a personal choice. However, realistically to stay on track for your if you're looking at that for your plan, it's recommended that you do know keep in mind a lot of your core classes are worth four and four and a half credits. And when you get move into upper division courses, they're only worth three so that 16 credits may look a little deceiving when it really may only be four classes instead of like five or six so might be worth looking through the catalog and pulling up your degree plan and kind of looking at the recommended sequence of courses that you need to take so that way you're staying on track.

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Our next question says is there any way for us to take transfer credits with a nearby college? For example, I would love to continue working on ceramics but there aren't any Ceramics courses at mines. So, yes, you can take courses elsewhere a class like Ceramics might not transfer back to Minds yet. You can take it if you like and it works with your schedule.

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Okay our next question.

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Why did not all students get the email concerning the delay and finalize scheduled? So what was the criteria where for some having a final schedule and others not the email as far as we knew went out at five o'clock and it should have gone out to all students. So I would recommend checking your minds email as well as personal email weren't we didn't know what email I have gone out to right now, you know, they're waiting for some additional sections and the registrar's office is a little backed up with processing credit as well.

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So it's really not that some have asked, you know, some have a final scheduled some don't schedules are still shifting so you can if you are seeing courses in Trailhead, it could happen that something may shift courses may change by the time August 6 rolls around Our next question is is Earth and environmental systems are required and engineer engineering course. So no Earth is a distributed science course and it's not required for all majors and the catalog has information about the required distributed science courses for each major. So I'm going to send a link that goes directly to the core requirements. So Lisa reviewed the core information and then the link that I will be sending out now will have information about the core and it really lists all of the distributed science courses for each major. So some Majors may have Earth as an option for distributed science course, but it's going to really depend on that specific major.

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Okay. Our next question is a short-term class for a whole semester or just the beginning short form is only at the beginning. So it's only about five weeks long. And then after that you're done, so by late September early October you should be all done with short form.

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Okay. Our next question says I noticed that my schedule has Biology one in physics one. However on the website for my major which will be chemical engineering it says that they are second semester classes and designed in nature and human values our first semester. So is it worth switching my schedule in Argos 6 that's actually a great question because for as great as the degree plans are there are some courses that don't have that aren't really going to be offered exactly during the same semester and that's going to be true for a lot of core courses because something exactly like this where nature and human values and design could be swapped with another course them the registrar's office really tries to make sure that you are moving towards graduation.

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And if you're eligible for physics, they're likely going to want to get you into physics to make sure that you're making progress on those main courses and then really something like design in nature and human values isn't To hold you back if you don't take that right away. So they make those course they make those decisions and then they put you into those courses. So it's a it's a long answer for that question. But I think that that is going to be a common question. So I would say no but it's great that you ask because there could be something else that you know, it would be better for you to take it during the fall versus the spring semester. So we'd be happy to answer questions like that. Okay our next question. Can you help create an educational plan for someone that would be working and going to mine part going to Minds part time instead of full time. Yes. Absolutely. We do recommend that something we do in person so we can go over any questions you have. So we recommend you make an appointment with any advisor. I see by your last name you can work with any of us to go over that you can email Casa at Minds that led you to get in touch with us. Do keep in mind that depending on your major. Some courses may only be offered in the specific term or maybe prerequisite for further courses.

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Um so that it will take some planning, but it is something we can go over with you.

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Okay, the next question says do club sports wave a physical Ed credit or are there other ways to waive a physical education credit? So yes club sports will count for your PA credit and we call it PA because PE is petroleum engineering. So PA is physical activities. So club sports actually will have a specific head. They will have specific sections for the club sport offering and there will be a lot of information the very first week of classes about club sports and how to either if you need to try out or if you just need to sign up and then there will be information from people in club sports about how to change that how to change your PA credit if you're registered for another PA course, so you'll be able to drop it at that point in time and then register for the other PA credit.

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Okay, our next question is it unheard of for students to graduate in less than four years based on the number of transfer credits. They have either from a PR i-- be it's rare. It does happen. I will say it does take a lot of credits and very specific ones in order to make that happen. I mean realistically you probably need to come in with the majority of the core complete if you're coming in as a freshman in order for that to be a reality. I don't see that often with freshman if you're coming in as a transfer student. Yes. It's probably more than likely because you're probably coming in with quite a few more credits, but that's something we can go over with you if you want to chat about that further send us an email.

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Okay. Our next question says as I see on Trailhead most of the classes are full. Is there any chance that we can add to those classes likely it's not going to be possible to get into a class. That's full unless yeah, so if a class is full no you're not going to be able to get into the course. That's why it's going to be really important that you don't make any changes to your schedule. Especially don't drop out of a specific course or a specific section of the course thinking that you can get into another one. We really encourage you to contact us and then also like you did take a look at the availability and other courses. Typically this has been true for the past couple of years classes are going to be quite full so we don't anticipate there being a lot of wiggle room for you to move your courses. But again, please reach out to us.

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If you do have specific questions on what you are looking at changing in your schedule and we can walk you through that to see if something really does need to be changed Okay, our next question. If I'm missing a core class this semester, like chemistry or humanities class will be put into it next semester. So this is the only time we will actually be registering for you or the registrar's office will register you going forward you will actually register yourself for the spring semester and Beyond however, we will be offering workshops in October and November so it'll be a chance for us to help you go over what to look for courses, you need to consider registering for and all those kind of pieces. So a lot of our core can be interchangeable depending on the term so nothing probably to worry about right now. But yeah, we will go over that on what to register for for the spring. But if you have questions about your current schedule, like Jim said shoot us an email so we can definitely take a look at that for you.

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Okay. Our next question says Casa provides academic advising for all students are their academic advisers within the major departments to help specialized what you are doing. So, yes, so we will be your we are your academic advisors for your first two years here at that point in time. We will invite you to declare your major and then you will transition to a faculty advisor within your academic major. So you'll have a faculty member as your advisor sometime likely in the middle of your sophomore year or the beginning of your junior year and we work really closely with the Departments and we also want you to interact with your department. So just because you have a casa advisor doesn't mean that you can't talk to the department. So we encourage you to interact with those other students interact with the faculty members. We just want to make sure that you are taking care of during you know, these first year and a half two years and then you will be passed over to faculty.

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Okay, I think I found my schedule at Banner dot mines which I'm assuming is Trailhead, but I haven't gotten an announcement from the registrar's office in Trailhead yet. So announcements won't really come through Trailhead anything will usually come through email. But yes the schedule you found is there and it should be in Trailhead. So a couple different places you can look you can look at your unofficial transcript. It'll just show what you register for or you can look at like detailed schedule and then it'll show you all of the information so days times location instructor all those kind of pieces. You can also look at week at a glance in Trailhead, which will show you a weekly outline and kind of blocked out of what your schedule looks like, which is a nice view. Is it subject to change? Yes, if you're a transfer student the answer is no your schedule is set and ready to go. If you are a freshman or first year student. Yes, your schedule is subject to change until August 6th. So you won't be able to actually go in and make any changes or do any switching around until after that point.

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Okay, we have a question that says do you create an educational plan for someone attending part-time? So we don't have any part-time plans listed yet. We can work on making one together. So absolutely that's something that we can do during an advising meeting and we can help talk about how many classes and how many credits you want to take you to semester and make a path to graduation.

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Okay, our next question. Can we find our campus wide ID or quid good. I'm glad you guys using the acronyms already good job on our trail head as well as our applicant portal. Honestly, I'm not sure if you can see that in Trailhead. We can't see the student view. So I'm not sure if you'll be able to find that you should be able to see it in your applicant portal. So if you're using the Slate portal, that's where you can find that there if you still can't find it. I would recommend calling admissions. They can look it up and give it to you over the phone.

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The next question says what is the difference between Casa in the registrar's office concerning class schedules and arrangements. So the registrar's office creates your first semester schedule and also evaluates all transfer including AP and IB coursework and then we come that's where cost of then comes in. So as soon as you have your schedule that's when we can help make changes to your schedule. We actually aren't able to make specific changes, but we can help you with understanding how to make those changes and what changes to make and then from that point on. We are your advisors again until you declare your major sometime during that your second or third year.

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Okay, our next question. What's the foreign language requirement and can High School classes Exempted? We don't actually have a foreign language requirement. We do offer foreign language classes as elective options, but it's not required. So every student is required nine hours of free elective at a minimum which can literally be anything. So if you want to take more math and science Jump On In There we also do have a Humanity sequence that starts out with nature and human values Global Studies and then three electives of your choosing. So yeah, we don't require foreign language but it is an option so students want to take it great. It'll definitely count for one of those electives.

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Care next question says are there any competency test for certain classes like physics to see if your AP scores are in line with the credit requirements? And yes, so we have challenged exam information and there's information. Sorry. I just got really excited. I can send you a website that has information about our challenge exams and they have dates and times and information. So what happens is they're offered by Department discretion and it's so sometimes you're in the exams are By Invitation Only so you'll receive an invitation for to your minds email account if you qualify for the exam so sometimes you can use that information as well as our minds AP information and if you just do a quick search for mines AP information, it'll bring up the AP exam equivalencies to our courses and it has actually specific information about physics.

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And what would be quiet what would be required on passing a challenge examine what credit that you would receive?

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Okay, so our next question asks about when and where challenge exams for will take place. I'm going to defer to Jen website above in the chat box above typically there during the first week of school. So information is on the website. Also, depending on your scores. The Departments will reach out to you personally to get that information set up as well.

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Okay. Oh, sorry. Jingle Hood, sorry so our Digger net job opportunities open to all students or just work study students. That's a great question. So different job opportunities will list whether a job is using work-study funds or institutional funds. So the difference between the two if you've been awarded work-study, then you would need to look for a job that has work-study funds and then if you don't have work study, then you would need to look for a job that has uses institutional funds. And so basically you're still making money and you're still getting paid for both. It just depends on if it's really linked to that work-study amount versus an Institutional amount.

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So So basically you would need to use digging that will have all of those jobs listed and then it'll it'll really specify where the funds are coming from.

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Okay, our next question. Is there any way for us to access course syllabi not at this point faculty create their own syllabi. So there's nothing generic really to access and will generally hand them out in class on the first day or during the first week. However, they usually also post them in canvas, which is our online course supplemental website. So once everything is set up and running your schedules finalized, you'll be put into the canvas courses for those sections you're in and then as we get closer to the start of school or during the first week faculty will post them there.

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Okay. Our next question says do you recommend that we wait until classes are finalized on the six to buy textbooks? Yes. And so I do recommend that you wait until the 6th to know that and I also do think you can wait until the first day of classes to go to your courses get the syllabi and then find out really from your professor the books that you need just to double check on everything.

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Okay, our next question. Is it too late to submit college credit classes and switch to a short form course? No, no definitely not too late. You can submit credit at any time. However again as we mentioned it before with EP credit recommend you do that as soon as possible at this point, it probably won't factor into the schedule that the registrar's office creates for you. But once the credit gets in there, we in Casa can help you rearrange a schedule if needed to accommodate that course.

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Okay, the next question says is it possible to request a course change because of the time that the class meets that's really going to be a case by case scenario. So it depends on the need for a different class at a different time. I always like to think about you know, best case worst case scenarios. If you you could request something right now. I know that really the registrar's office is working really really hard on schedules. So they're processing emails as quickly as possible. So what I would recommend doing is you could take a look to see what other courses are available right now or either, you know, contact us contact the registrar's office to let us know the specifics and and then we can see would there be availability or you know, what is the specific situation? And what could we do there?

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Okay, if I were to take short form calc 1 instead of retaking calc 1 when it Place me into both short form calc 1 and Cal to and take those classes simultaneously when we only be in the math class for short form calc 1 so calculus one does not have a short form version. We only have short form for calculus to and that's because we cover a little more in depth in our Calculus class than other schools do that other schools usually cover in calc 3, so it's a bridge course from calc 2 to calc 3, so there is not one for Calculus 1. So if you get credit for calc 1 great, no short form you move directly into calc 2. Otherwise, you'll start at Calculus 1.

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Our next question says will you send out this presentation out after the session? So yes, we will actually will be posting our webinars on our website tomorrow along with the transcripts. So we have done webinars each Wednesday of July will post all of those along with the transcripts. So there were some questions that might be different on each one. So you'll be able to view those on our website again Casa dot Minds edu, and I will send that out again.

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Our next question if you play a Varsity Sport at mines, is it one credit per semester if you plan on playing for four years, so yeah, when it comes to Varsity Sports is actually a one credit instead of a half a credit like a typical PA classes. However, if you are a varsity athlete you will still need to register in your Varsity Sport for at least four semesters in order to get the full credit. So our credit for PA even though it's only two credits total is still based on separate semesters. But yes, it is an additional one credit for Varsity Sports.

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Okay. Our question says where can I find my current schedule there are a couple different ways that you can take a look at your schedule. If you want to see just the courses that you're registered in you can view it on your unofficial transcript in Trailhead and I will send out that link and then you can also view but to see your actual student schedule and again, I believe it would be on somewhere in the student tab. It might be Student Records or registration and I apologize that I don't know be neatly off the top of my head but there will be a link that says student schedule and then you will be able to see the days and times and professor and location and everything for your courses. So that will give you the specifics of your schedule.

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Okay, next question. I know that 16 to 18 is the average number of credits during the fall semester and I currently have 16 but could it be possible to have 19 credits during the fall as a freshman? So yes, you can register for a 19 credits including your freshman year. Keep in mind. That is a really heavy workload. So for that first semester, maybe something to stick with kind of your current schedule and credits just to kind of get your feet wet and see how you're feeling, but it's very much up to you. And if that's something you want to take on.

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Okay, we have another question to ask. How do I find my schedule on Trailhead? And I am looking to be able to find that specific link and I will then send it out as soon as I get it but it is being a little bit tricky for my right now. So soon as I get it I will send it out to everybody. Okay, our next question. Should we purchase our books now based on our schedule and Trail headers? We wait until the 6th. I would say absolutely wait until after the sixth because again things are subject to change between now and then so, you know, I hate to have you buy a textbook and then have to go through the hassle of trying to return it or depending on where you bought it about it from like a third party vendor. You may not be able to return it. So yes, I would recommend waiting until after your schedule is finalized to get textbooks underway.

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Our next question. What is the percentage of students that take more than four years to graduate good question. Realistically, I think our four-year graduation rate is around 55 percent Jen. I don't know if you want to chime in on that. It's definitely possible to do it in four years. All of our degree plans are set up to be for years A lot of times we see for students who do take longer. They may be adding on a minor that doesn't necessarily 100% coincide with what they're doing. So they may need to take some extra time. We do have students that may take some time off as well and kind of come back. Also, if you're taking less than kind of the recommended amount per semester based on your degree plan that can take more time as well. So a lot can factor into that. But all of our programs are set up to graduate in four years.

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And I did find a link. I'm sending something out that says it's a by-the-numbers website. So our latest six-year graduation rate for the fall 2012 entering class was 80.5% and that's a six-year graduation rate. So it does not list with the four-year graduation rate, but it does have a link for institutional research as well. Thank you. And then our next question says does Minds have a dual enrollment program if you take classes at a local community college, so we do have guaranteed transfer courses for community colleges and the caveat is as you are in entering student any courses that you take elsewhere will be evaluated and transferred in any course. Now that you are a current student at mines any course that you take elsewhere needs to be approved on a course-by-course basis. So I'm going to send out a website that has information.

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About transfer credit approvals and how you go throughout that process. So there are a couple different transform and we call it a transfer credit prior / post approval form. The best thing to do is if you are looking to commit to take a course elsewhere, whether it's during the same semester or during the summer, which is a great way to take advantage of completing courses over the summer you'd fill out a transfer credit prior approval form and get approval for the course to make sure it's going to transfer back to Minds as you expected to we have a lot of specifics about courses and we just want to make sure that you essentially get that green light before you register for and take a course elsewhere. So I will send out that link and it has a lot of information about how to complete the form and and where it goes and then it also has information about Colorado Community College courses and Haas mid level courses in and what that looks like so really chat with us about that.

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Be happy to walk you through that process to make sure that you are doing well in both.

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Okay, we've got two of the same questions. I'm going to lump them into one. Where can I find my schedule and Trailhead? So I've included the pathway to that. So check that out and Trailhead cell service student registration student detail schedule. You can also look at week at a glance. I'm going to move on to our next question. How do you choose what physical education courses you take and do intramural sports give you credit great question. You can choose a PA class. There's lots to choose from so when you actually go to register yourself for the spring lots to pick from so if you're into yoga trail running rock climbing you name it great options. We even have one on personal Wellness One on meditation. So lots of different options. You may be placed in a generic one that first semester up to you on if you want to keep it or not. Some people do just to get it out of the way, but it's more of just kind of making sure you're getting up and moving getting some exercise intramural sports do count for credit. That's new for us this year.

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You do need to contact Dixie cirilo in X and more information should be coming out of that at some point if that's something you want to do and she'll set up you set you up with what you need to do for that.

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Okay. Our next question says what is covered in first year seminar. So CSM 101 our first-year seminar contains a lot of different information. It's really designed to connect you to peers to other students on campus as well as under upper-class students who will serve as your peer mentors as well as your instructor and the campus community. So it's designed really to set you up to make sure that you have a successful transition to Minds. So like any other course. Yes, M101 will review the syllabus on the first day, of course and we'll walk you through exactly what will be covered throughout the course.

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Okay, our next question. Is it possible a preferable to declare your major right after the fall semester? So declaration is based on kind of when you're eligible to actually declare. So students are eligible to declare when they've completed a majority of the core typically when their inner past calculus 3 and physics to that's kind of our marker. It's really just to help us make sure for us to help you make sure you know, you're getting off on the right foot here at Minds when you are eligible to declare. We will actually notify you so we will email all students who are eligible to come in and fill out that paperwork. So depending on where you are aren't with credits that may be sooner rather than later so that maybe second semester freshman year, but we will notify students when they're at that point.

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Next question says must freshman confirm their registration for first semester classes if they are chosen in required for them, so I want to make sure that I understand this question. So there's actually there's nothing you need to do on your end to confirm the classes that you're in so the registrar's office will register you for classes and then you will you will go to this courses So Lisa, please let me know if there's anything else specific. I'm just trying to think if there's any other approval process that students need to go through not that I'm aware of you. I think there is like a more of like an enrollment confirmation on Trailhead, but beyond that it doesn't lock you into specific courses, you can still make changes, but at least confirms with us that yes, I will actually be starting school in the fall. Okay. Thank you.

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So we had another repeat question. How do you choose your physical activity course and intramurals give you credit. So at this point again, you may just be put into one that first semester and it may be kind of our generic course, which is going to just get you up and moving after that when you go to register yourself, you can NEPA courses open to you. So that's something in intramurals can give you credit. You'll just need to contact us Olympics.

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Okay, the next question says are the challenge exams only for Core Credit courses. So that challenge exam website is really the information on all of the challenge exams that we do offer. So, yes, it's it's mainly just the core courses and not any upper division courses.

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Okay our next question.

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We gotta okay. These are kind of the same ones with PA. So yes intramurals will give you credits. I'm going to skip that one. Is there a required freshman seminar? And what is that about? So Jim kind of covered this earlier? Yes. If you are a first-year student or a freshman you are required to take freshman seminar. It is a graduation requirement. It is a four credit class, but it's really about getting you oriented to mind. So how to explore Majors, you know, we'll do a faculty panel a student panel how to explore Minds. It's a great place to ask questions as well. So it's really to get you oriented to mind specifically and get you in with all of our traditions.

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Okay. Our next question says when is the last date to make changes to our schedule? So census day is the last day to add or drop classes and I'm going to send out the link for the 2019 2020 academic calendar that's under the registrar's office and it's actually in the catalog as well. So it will give you information about when since the state is since the state is Wednesday September 4th. So up until that day you can make changes to your schedule and Trailhead so you can add add add a class drop a class change a time again all based on availability. And again, please contact us if you have questions, but that's where you can do that on your own and then the second time that you can make changes would be the withdrawal date. So the withdrawal date is where the last day that you can withdraw from a class or from a couple classes. So the last course withdrawal is Friday November.

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15 if you withdraw from a course by then, you will receive a W-4 that course and it will but it won't hurt or help your GPA. So it's just going to show as a course that you attempted but did not complete you can do that on your own and Trailhead. We really encourage you to talk to both your instructor and your advisor. If you are concerning dropping a course on another or if withdrawing from a course and that is later on in the semester, but I just want to make sure that you understand both of those dates. Okay. So our next two questions are actually really similar, so I'm going to answer this all together. I'm interested in getting a five year Masters. Should I start planning for that now good to start thinking about but no planning is required. So if you are thinking about kind of the bachelor's master's program typically in late junior year, you'll have your faculty advisor at that point and you will work with them to map out what that's going to look like. They will help you apply to the graduate school here because you do need to apply it.

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We had some masters of look horses into your senior year and then play out the rest of your master's degree.

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Okay, the next question we have is do you need do you need to buy the Happiness Advantage book? So yes, you do need to buy the book and make sure that you've read it because that's our common Reed for the entire campus. We're reading a right. Now. I know that we've had a lot of encouragement for you know, even other faculty and people outside of CSM 1012 read it as well. So I believe that they were stalking some copies in the bookstore or you should be able to pick it up kind of anywhere else where you would buy books.

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What is the acceptance rate of the five year master's program? That's a good question. Not something. I know many of our students. Actually, I would say the good majority actually choose to go work in Industry after graduation with our undergrad but for students who do choose to say from what from the students I've worked with in the past. It's been a pretty high acceptance rate depending on the program. There is usually a GPA requirement to enter and you may or may not have to take the GRE. So programs do different requirements do differ based on program. But that is something again your faculty advisor can help you with in those upper division years.

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Our next question says does being on the mines cheer team count towards a PA credit. So I I believe I have heard that it's been accepted as a PA credit, but it's been more of an individualized one-on-one process. So I'm going to write me encourage you to contact the PA department and I know Lisa mentioned I'm Dixie Cirillo. So she is in charge of PA kind of responsible for other credits. So that would be something that you can inquire about to find out the requirements of being on the cheer team and how that could possibly count for, PA.

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Hair next question when and how do I rent a bike Locker? That's a good question one. I have not gotten before so Whitman you may have stumped me, but we'll see. I'm going to check and see around the website. I don't know if that's the residents life or not, but we'll try and get you a link here. But if not, I would maybe suggest contacting residents life since most of those are connected to the residence halls and they can probably get you information about that, but I'll get I'll try and get you a link here shortly.

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Okay, our next question sir. I was just pasting a link in a piston twice. I'm fixing something that I touch. Sorry. Yeah. Okay. So if I'm not registered for a PA course, is that a problem or can I join one once classes start? So it is not a problem. You do need for separate semesters of PA for your graduation requirements. So again, if you think about it that's going to be 2 years total and you can take it at any point in time again, as long as that's four separate semesters. So if you're not registered for one right away, you can take a look to see if there are if they're open seats and a PA course that works with your schedule and you can certainly add that to your schedule. I mean then if not, you don't have to take one this first semester and you can take one starting next semester.

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Sorry for get another a Peace Corps question. That's okay. But it appears the unofficial academic transcript web page shows a course not any AP scores. How do we know what AP scores my instincts? I have. Yes, when it comes to the transcripts. The only thing you're going to be able to see and we are able to see is what course it has come in force will show you know at the top whether it's transfer credit from a college or if it's AP credit and then it'll tell you what it's coming in for a see that's not going to show your scores. If you do have questions about score like specific scores, you can contact the registrar's office at registrar at Minds that edu and I'll include the email address here in the text box.

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Alright, the next question says when can you start registering for intramural sports in that is a great question and let me look. I haven't I was just over at the rec center today and I think they had information about intramurals. Okay, so I found the website and I'm going to send out the website because it's got a ton of information about club sports and I am information so you can take a look there.

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Okay there any independent study options for PA like skiing or golf so generally no independent study for PA is really only offered for extenuating circumstances. So if a student has, you know, it illness or something like that, you know, unfortunately for your own recreational activities, we cannot give you PA credit for that.

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But we do offer golf as a PA class. So if that's something that's passion of yours great option and then if you are on like the club ski team because club sports do count for PA that would count as well.

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Okay. Our next question says our classes scheduled in a way that there's enough time to get back to back to back classes on campus pretty easily. So yes, you can generally get to one side of campus to the other in about 10 minutes and the academic buildings are also really kind of in the middle of Campus. So they are typically closer than that you can get to some within you know, two to three minutes are Monday Wednesday. Friday courses all have a 10 minute break in between in our tuesday-thursday courses have 15 minutes in between so it should not be a problem.

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Okay, looks like that may be our last question. So we're going to wrap up for the evening. Thank you all for joining us. It's been wonderful working with you all. If you do have any other questions, please feel free to email us at Casa at mines dot edu or check out our website. Casa dot mines dot edu. Thank you. Have a good evening.