# MAJOR DECLARATION-CAREER PATH-LIFE PLANS BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND.

#### Dear Advisee,

What are the things/factors you should keep in your mind while declaring your major, exploring your Career Path & Life Plan? Where do you see yourself in next ten years?

Some steps and strategies are given below which will help you in declaring your Major that would fit into your life goals.

You may attempt some aptitude tests available online to explore yourself.

If you are interested in doing double major, read the guidelines given in Advisor/Advisee Handbook in reference to the HEC policy. Please respond briefly to the questions given under each step so that you may be able to take informed decisions and declare your major, explore your career path and your life plans accordingly.

#### Step1: Know Thy Self and Thy Life Plans

Self-Assessment of your Talents: (Explore Potentials, Strengths, Dreams, Career and Life Plans)

- a. Dreams and Desires
- b. Life Goals
- c. Academic Abilities and skills.
- d. Intellectual Interests
- e. Career and Vocational Goals.

What are your life goals (dreams and desires)? Where do you see yourself in next ten years  • Statement of Mission, Vision and Values. (Begin With the End in Mind)  • Enlist and prioritize (Put First Thing first)
How can you achieve them?
What abilities and strengths do you have?
What are the abilities and strengths do you need to improve in order to achieve your life goals?
What career path fits into your life goals?

## **Step 2: Know Thy Institution and Resources**

Explore Campus Resources: (Explore Majors, Minors, Time and Energy Required etc.)

- a. Different Majors and Programs
- b. Closely Connected Majors/Minors
- c. Degree Requirements
- d. Academic Policies
- e. Substitute/Cross Listed Courses
- f. Financial implications.

What Major/Program fits into your career as well as life plans?
What are the closely connected Majors/Minors which could strengthen your career path and help you in achieving your life goals?
What are the Degree requirements and Academic Policies?
What are the required/substitute/cross listed courses related to your Major?
What could be the financial implications?
What could be the challenging factors?  Academic Skills,  Policies,  Habits,  Double Major/Minor (if any)  Family and
• Cultural/Peer Pressure, etc.

### Step 3: Create A Plan

Finalize Your Major and Make Realistic Plans Keeping Step 1 & 2 In View:

- a. Make Your Academic Plan
- b. Choose Appropriate Course(s) in order to complete General Education Requirements
- c. Do Manual Degree Audit During 4<sup>th</sup> Semester for General Education particularly.
- d. Do Manual/online Degree Audit During 6<sup>th</sup> Semester for Major/Degree Requirements
- e. Plan for Remaining Degree Requirements to Complete Your Degree On Time.
- f. Get Ready to Celebrate Your Success and Develop Your C.V.

What are the appropriate courses to register in order to complete your respective degree on time?  Make your Academic Plans in consultation with your Advisor.	
Keep auditing your respective Degree and start this auditing process from 4 <sup>th</sup> semester.  Have you developed roadmap for the completion of remaining requirements of your respective major and overall degree re-	equirements?
Have you developed your C.V. according to the sample provided by Career Services office?	
Get ready to celebrate your success.	
Get ready to celebrate your success: (Imagine you are receiving your degree with distinctionvisualize it  Express your feelings	
Explore higher education and different career opportunities.	
Review your Statement of Mission, Vision, Values in order to progress further:	

Those who listen carefully to the advices of their Advisors/elders, follow what is best option, take informed decision, make meaningful plans, implement them with integrity, achieve excellence, respect the dignity of their peers and support them in achieving their goals as well are successful, such people contribute and gradually become transformational leaders and build community.

Journey continues...