

# New Student Orientation

# 2013



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*This brochure is designed to provide you with essential information about orientation and how to register for one of the summer sessions. Please read the brochure carefully as it will answer many of the questions you have concerning orientation.*

*You will also find enclosed a registration form. Please complete your registration form as soon as possible and return it in the envelope provided. Due to limited spaces at each session, register early to ensure your place at orientation.*

*Please be certain to retain this booklet for future reference.*

## Dear New Student:

Welcome to the Gannon Community!

We are glad you have chosen to attend Gannon University and we look forward to your arrival on campus for Summer Orientation 2013.

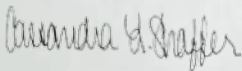
Beginning your college experience can be very exciting but it also has many unique challenges. We are preparing a special orientation program for you this summer, and because we want you to be successful, all new freshmen are required to attend.

Orientation is designed to assist you with your transition to Gannon so that you can adjust easily to collegiate life. Our two-day program will familiarize you with Gannon's academic requirements, various policies and procedures, and the many opportunities and services available. Orientation will also provide you with information on how to balance the many academic, personal and social demands you will experience.

We have high expectations for our students during this important first year. Realizing that you could have many questions and concerns about beginning college in the fall, we plan to share with you vital information that will help you understand those expectations and enable you to set realistic goals for yourself.

Orientation for freshmen is your first major activity as a Gannon student and marks the beginning of your First-Year Experience. We feel confident that your participation in this orientation program will help you develop a sense of being a part of Gannon University and contribute to the success of your new and challenging college experience.

We believe in your potential to succeed at Gannon. We look forward to seeing you this summer!



**Cassandra L. Shaffer,**  
Student Coordinator



**Gerard M. Miele, Director**  
New Student Services



## By participating in orientation you will:

- Receive academic advising from a department representative from your major field of study and finalize your fall semester schedule.
- Become familiar with course scheduling, bill payment, financial aid, housing, healthcare and support services.
- Meet faculty and staff who will discuss academic requirements, policies and procedures.
- Meet other incoming students and make new friends.
- Become aware of Gannon's expectations of you.
- Learn how to use the University's many services and resources.
- Meet current students who will share their experiences and guide you through the program.
- Receive your GU Gold Card/Photo ID.
- Experience the campus community and environment, including campus living, by staying overnight in a residence hall.
- Ensure a sense of satisfaction with your choice to attend Gannon.

**Attending orientation provides you with these advantages.**



## To the parents:

We consider parents to be an integral part of the orientation process, and our attention to parents is an important feature of our program. We welcome and encourage you to join your son or daughter at New Student Orientation. Continuing parental interest during your child's college years will reinforce family bonds and enhance your relationship with your son or daughter as a maturing adult.

Our program includes a series of presentations designed to help you, as a parent, understand Gannon's academic expectations, gain some familiarity with the campus and its resources, as well as insights into the types of adjustments and new demands you and your new student will face during the college years. We want to help you understand what your son or daughter will be experiencing and feeling during the first year.

You will have the opportunity to speak with faculty, administrators and current students on an informal basis, and will be encouraged to raise any issues that might be on your mind.

Coming with your son or daughter can be a vote of confidence, an expression of caring and a challenge to communicate on a very important experience.

**We look forward to meeting you at New Student Orientation!**

## Orientation dates

Four two-day orientation sessions will be offered and each session runs Sunday and Monday. Sessions are filled on a first-come basis and **reservations received by June 14, 2013 will be given priority.**

- Session 1 June 23-24
- Session 2 June 30-July 1
- Session 3 July 14-15
- Session 4 July 21-22

**We recommend you register for orientation as soon as possible! It will ease your mind knowing that everything is in order and that you are fully prepared for your career at Gannon.**



## Tentative student schedule

### Sunday

- Noon **Roman Catholic Mass** - Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel  
1:00-3:00 p.m. **Registration for all participants** - Finegan Hall  
1:00-3:30 p.m. **Gannon University Bookstore open**  
1:15-3:15 p.m. **Student ID Photos** - Campus Police & Safety Office  
1:30-2:30 p.m. **Campus Tours** - every half hour  
3:30-3:45 p.m. **Opening Prayer Service**  
3:45-4:45 p.m. **President's Welcome/Staff Introductions/Highlights**  
4:45-5:00 p.m. **Breaking the Ice**  
5:15-6:15 p.m. **Picnic Supper** - Waldron Campus Center  
6:15-6:45 p.m. **Information Technology Services**  
7:00-8:00 p.m. **Freshman Survey**  
8:00-9:00 p.m. **Residence Hall/Commuter Forums**  
9:00-10:30 p.m. **Get-Acquainted Social**

### Monday

- 7:15-8:15 a.m. **Breakfast** - Beyer Hall Cafeteria  
8:30-9:00 a.m. **Provost's Message/Student Success Center**  
9:00-10:00 a.m. **LIFECORE of Discovery**  
10:00-10:15 a.m. **Students and Credit Cards**  
10:15-10:30 a.m. **Counseling Services**  
10:30-11:00 a.m. **Coffee Break**  
11:00-11:15 a.m. **Bookstore Tips**  
11:15-11:30 a.m. **Scheduling Procedures**  
11:30-11:45 a.m. **Campus Police & Safety**  
11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Lunch** - Beyer Hall Cafeteria  
1:00-1:20 p.m. **P.R.O.M.I.S.E./Core of Discovery/Student Development**  
1:20-1:30 p.m. **Plenary Session**  
1:30-3:00 p.m. **Meet with Department Representatives**  
3:00-4:30 p.m. **PC Applications Challenge Test/Visit Gannon Offices**  
3:00-4:30 p.m. **Honors/PSLD/Student Support Services Programs**  
3:00-5:00 p.m. **Residence Hall Checkout**



## Tentative parent schedule

### Sunday

- Noon **Roman Catholic Mass** - Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel  
1:00-3:00 p.m. **Registration for all participants** - Finegan Hall  
1:00-3:30 p.m. **Gannon University Bookstore open**  
1:15-3:15 p.m. **Student ID Photos** - Campus Police & Safety Office  
1:30-2:30 p.m. **Campus Tours** - every half hour  
3:30-3:45 p.m. **Opening Prayer Service**  
3:45-4:45 p.m. **President's Welcome/Staff Introductions/Highlights**  
4:45-5:00 p.m. **Breaking the Ice**  
5:15-6:15 p.m. **Picnic Supper** - Waldron Campus Center  
6:15-6:45 p.m. **Information Technology Services**  
7:00-8:00 p.m. **Parenting Your College Student**  
8:00-9:00 p.m. **Residence Hall/Commuter Forums**  
9:00-10:30 p.m. **Get-Acquainted Social**

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- 7:15-8:15 a.m. **Breakfast** - Beyer Hall Cafeteria  
8:30-9:00 a.m. **Provost's Message/Student Success Center**  
9:00-9:30 a.m. **Counseling Services**  
9:30-10:00 a.m. **Health Services**  
10:00-10:30 a.m. **Coffee Break**  
10:30-11:00 a.m. **Financial Aid/Billing Procedures**  
11:00-11:15 a.m. **Bookstore Tips**  
11:15-11:30 a.m. **Scheduling Procedures**  
11:30-11:45 a.m. **Campus Police & Safety**  
11:45 a.m.-Noon **Educational Loan Options**  
Noon-1:00 p.m. **Lunch** - Beyer Hall Cafeteria  
1:00-1:20 p.m. **Core of Discovery/P.R.O.M.I.S.E./Student Development**  
1:20-1:30 p.m. **Plenary Session**  
1:30-3:00 p.m. **Meet with Department Representatives**  
3:00-3:30 p.m. **Athletics at Gannon**  
3:00-4:30 p.m. **Honors/PSLD/Student Support Services Programs**  
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## PC Applications Challenge Test

All students who are Computer Science, Information Systems, Software Engineering or Bioinformatics majors are required to take the four components of the PC Applications Challenge Test identified below. The test will be administered during the Summer Orientation program.

CIS 170 Operating Systems and Internet

CIS 171 Word Processing (Word)

CIS 172 Electronic Spreadsheet (Excel)

CIS 173 Database (Access)

Students in all other majors who are scheduled to take any of the above PC application courses or CIS 150 Business Technology 1 in the fall semester have the option to take a test component. You will be informed during orientation whether you are scheduled to take any of the PC application courses your first semester. Then, you will have the choice to take the PC Applications Challenge Test.

The test will be given on the Monday afternoon of each orientation session beginning at 3:00 p.m. Average test time will vary from 30 minutes to 90 minutes depending on the number of test components taken.

*Note: Students do not earn credit for successful completion of a component. They receive satisfaction of the requirement with respect to the curriculum. The results are used to place students properly in first semester courses.*





## Arrival

### All participants

Report to Finegan Hall, 124 W. 5th St. (on campus map, page 9) between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. for registration. You will receive an information packet including a detailed program schedule. If you are staying in the residence hall during orientation you will also check into your room at this time.

### After you have registered

All participants should report to the Campus Police & Safety Office (lower level, west entrance of Harborview House) at 210 W. 6th St. (on the campus map, page 9) between 1:15 and 3:15 p.m. to have your ID photo taken.

### Location of Roman Catholic Mass

You are welcome to attend a Mass scheduled for noon in the Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel located at 512 Peach St. (on the campus map, page 9.)

## Some useful phone numbers

<b>New Student Services</b>	871-7597
<b>Office of Admissions</b>	871-7240
<b>Athletic Office</b>	871-7416
<b>Cashier's Office</b>	871-7425
<b>Financial Aid Office</b>	871-7337
<b>Registrar's Office</b>	871-7243
<b>Student Living Office</b>	871-7564
<b>Student Success Center</b>	871-7680
<b>Switchboard Operator</b>	871-7000



# How to get to Gannon

## From I-90

- Take the I-79 North exit, travel north on I-79, and follow the signs to the Bayfront Parkway.
- Continue on the Bayfront Parkway along Presque Isle Bay and past the marinas. Continue through the blinking yellow light to State St. Turn right onto State St. at the light.
- Proceed south on State St. through the downtown district to West 5th St. Turn right on West 5th St. and travel one block to Peach St. Continue on West 5th St. about one-half block and Finegan Hall will be on your right.

## From I-79

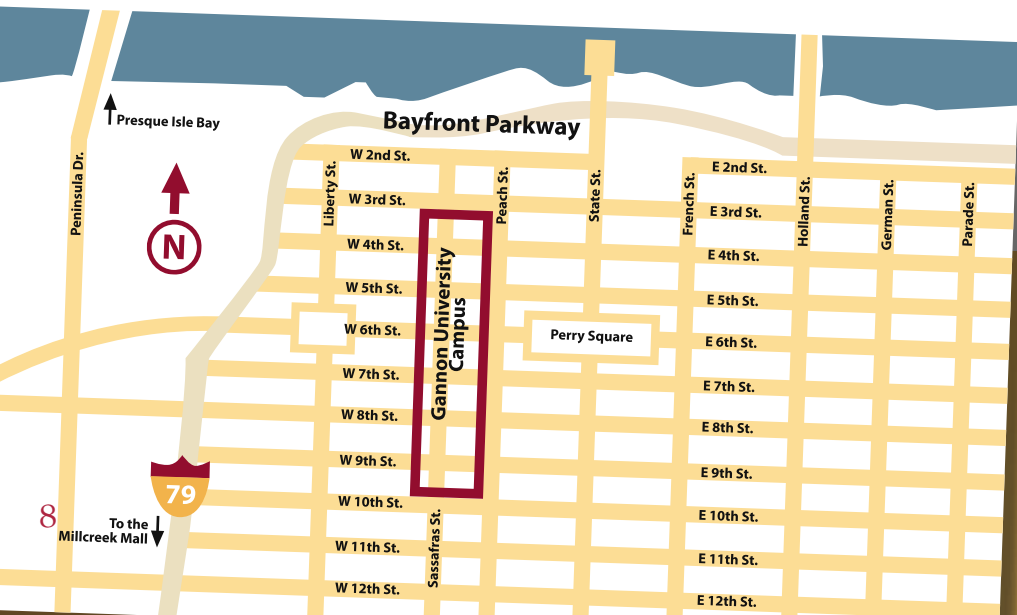
- Travel north on I-79 and follow signs to Bayfront Parkway. (Continue with directions indicated above for travel on the Bayfront Parkway.)

## Parking

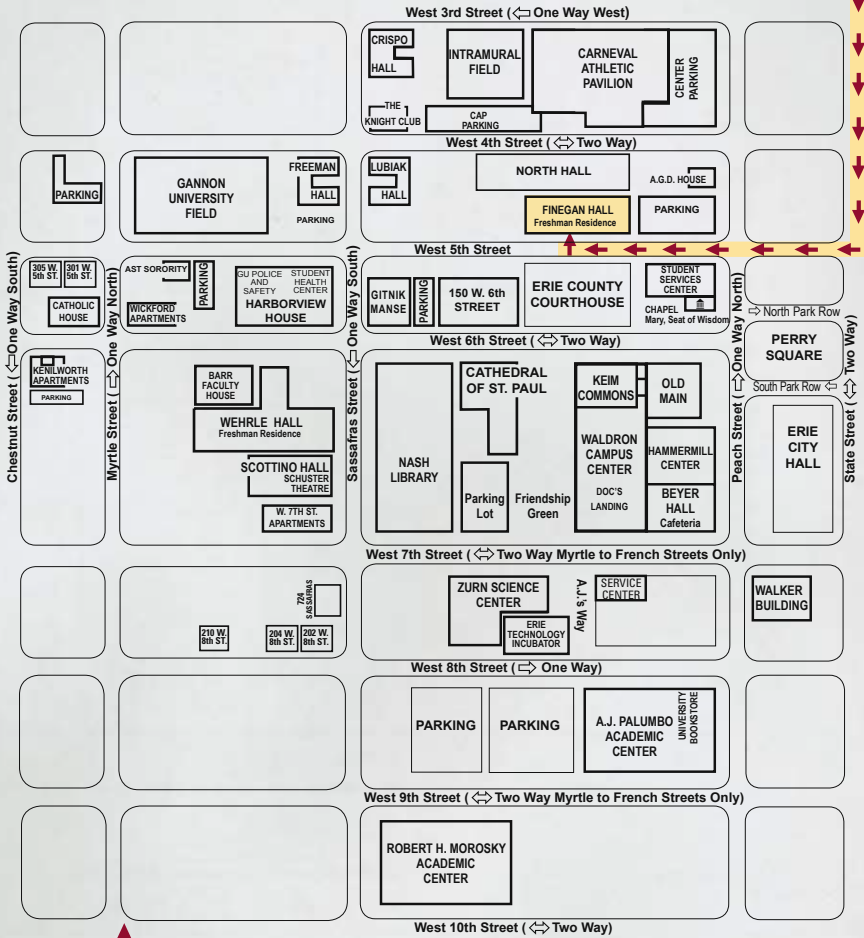
A parking pass will be available to orientation participants at the registration area on Sunday. The pass will be valid for the duration of the program and will enable you to park in the Municipal Ramp in the 700 block of Peach St. The parking pass should be hung from your rearview mirror.

You may park on the street in front of Finegan Hall for unloading luggage only. You will then be directed to parking facilities.

*We are not responsible for parking tickets or towing.*



From I-79 North and the Bayfront Parkway



**GANNON UNIVERSITY  
CAMPUS MAP**

# Reservation procedures

When making your reservation request, please keep the following in mind:

- We recommend you register for orientation as soon as possible.
- Due to limited spaces at each session, orientation is for students and parents only and reservations are processed on a first-come first-served basis. Reply early for a better opportunity to receive your first-choice session.
- If any special accommodations are required due to a disability, please contact us in advance.

**Complete the enclosed card according to these instructions. Please print.**

- Fill in your name, address, phone, gender and e-mail.
- Indicate your first and second choice of sessions.
- Fill in your academic program (refer to list on page 17).  
*Please note: Undecided and Undeclared are different major classifications.*
- List those persons who will be attending orientation with you. Please indicate their relationship to you (i.e., mother, father), and if they are alumni, please list their graduation year.  
*Please note: only students and their parents will be permitted to reside in the residence hall.*
- Select an option for you and your parent(s) who will attend orientation (refer to page 11.)
- Enter amount of check/money order enclosed.  
*Please note: check/money order should be made payable to Gannon University.*

**Return reservations by June 14, 2013.** Reservations will be accepted after the deadline; however, we cannot guarantee that space will be available for specific dates.

## Confirmation of reservations

A confirmation letter will be sent to you with final program information as soon as possible. Please allow two to three weeks. In the case that correspondence time is limited, our office will contact you by telephone or e-mail.

## Refund policy

Reservations must be cancelled two weeks prior to each session. All refunds will be processed after Aug. 1, 2013.



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## Program options

### Option A: \$65 per person

Reside on campus. Erie students and parents are also welcome to select this option. Cost per session includes one night's housing, three meals (including dinner on Sunday and breakfast and lunch on Monday), all social activities and orientation materials.

### Option B: \$40 per person

Commute to campus. Cost per session includes dinner on Sunday, lunch on Monday, and all social activities and orientation materials.

#### Calculation of Costs

Example: Student, two parents—all Option A:

- Student      \$65.00
- Parent        \$65.00
- Parent        \$65.00

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**Total      \$195.00**

### Additional Expenses

Please note, there will be a \$10 photo ID fee due in the Campus Police and Safety Office when your picture is taken. Also, be prepared for any other personal expenses such as bookstore purchases, etc.





## What to bring to orientation

Casual attire is appropriate for all orientation activities.

**Many presentations are given in an air conditioned lecture hall. You might want to bring a light sweater or jacket in case you find the temperature too cool.**

Students and parents staying in the residence hall during summer orientation will be housed separately, so individual suitcases are recommended. All housing will be dormitory-style with separate community bathrooms for men and women.

Sheets, pillowcases, and towels will be furnished. Participants staying in the residence hall must furnish their own pillows, blankets, washcloths, soap and toiletries during orientation.

Since parents and students will occupy separate areas of the residence hall, it will be difficult to share toiletries, clocks, etc.

## Additional items you might consider bringing:

- Bathrobe
- Extra towels
- Shower shoes/slippers
- Hangers
- Tissues/paper cups
- Snack foods
- Sunglasses
- Umbrella/raincoat
- Walking shoes



# Success

If you have any questions, please contact us!

## **New Student Services**

Gannon University  
109 University Square  
Erie, PA 16541-0001

## **Phone**

(814) 871-7597 or Toll Free:  
1-800-GANNON-U/1-800-426-6668  
Select Option #5 (New Student Orientation)

## **E-mail**

[orientation@gannon.edu](mailto:orientation@gannon.edu)

## **Website**

[www.gannon.edu](http://www.gannon.edu)









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## **Photography Policy**

Please Note: Photographs will be taken throughout the orientation program for media use in future orientation publications and promotional materials. If you do not wish for your photo to be included in these publications, please notify the New Student Services Office upon your arrival at orientation.

## **Advocate for Campus Accessibility**

Dr. Harvey Kanter, is the 504/ADA coordinator for students with disabilities who require accommodation of facilities, programs or services of the University. Students seeking information or assistance in any matter regarding accessibility or accommodations should contact Dr. Kanter at (814) 871-5522 promptly upon admission to the University.

## **Non-discrimination Policy**

It is the policy of Gannon University to affirmatively implement equal opportunity to all qualified applicants and existing students and employees. In administering its affairs, the University shall not discriminate against any person on any basis prohibited by law. All aspects of employment including recruitment, selection, hiring, training, transfer, promotion, termination, compensation and benefits conform to this policy. All aspects of student affairs and education of students including recruitment, admissions, financial aid, placement, access to facilities, student discipline, student life and student employment conform to this policy. Questions or inquiries regarding the University's policy should be directed to the Director of Human Resources, Gannon University, 109 University Square, Erie, PA 16541-0001; phone (841) 871-5615.

# ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

## Business

Accounting  
Advertising Communications  
Business Administration  
Entrepreneurship  
Finance  
Information Systems  
International Business  
Management  
Marketing  
Risk Management and Insurance  
Sports Management and Marketing  
Undecided Business

## Associate's Degree Programs

Accounting  
Business Administration

## Education

### Early Childhood

Early Childhood PreK-4  
Early Childhood PreK-4/Special Education PreK-8

### Middle Level 4-8 Option 1:

#### Single Content Area

Middle Level 4-8 English Language Arts/Reading  
Middle Level 4-8 Mathematics  
Middle Level 4-8 Science  
Middle Level 4-8 Social Studies

### Middle Level 4-8 Option 2:

#### Dual Content Areas

Middle Level 4-8 English Language Arts/Reading & Mathematics  
Middle Level 4-8 English Language Arts/Reading & Science  
Middle Level 4-8 Mathematics & Science  
Middle Level 4-8 Social Studies & Mathematics  
Middle Level 4-8 Social Studies & Science

### Dual Certification: Middle Level Option: Single Content Area & Special Education PreK-8

Middle Level 4-8 English Language Arts/Reading & Special Education PreK-8  
Middle Level 4-8 Mathematics & Special Education PreK-8  
Middle Level 4-8 Science & Special Education PreK-8  
Middle Level 4-8 Social Studies & Special Education PreK-8

## Secondary Education

Secondary Education Biology  
Secondary Education English  
Secondary Education Mathematics  
Secondary Education Social Studies

## K-12

Spanish

## Undecided Education

Undecided Education

## Associate's Degree Programs

Early Childhood Education

## Engineering, Computer and Information Sciences

Bioinformatics  
Biomedical Engineering  
Computer Science  
Electrical Engineering  
Electrical Engineering  
5-year Co-op  
Environmental Engineering  
Environmental Science  
Information Systems  
Mechanical Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering  
5-year Co-op  
Software Engineering  
Undecided Engineering

## Health Professions

Health Science - Business  
Health Science - Community Health Education  
Health Science - Education  
Medical Technology  
Nursing\*  
Nutrition and Human Performance  
Respiratory Care  
Sport and Exercise Science  
Undecided Health Sciences

## Master's Degree Programs

5-year Exercise Science  
5-year Occupational Therapy  
5-year Physician Assistant\*

## Associate's Degree Programs

Radiologic Sciences\*  
Respiratory Care

## Humanities and Social Sciences

Communication Arts  
[electronic media]  
Criminal Justice  
English  
Foreign Language and Literature  
Foreign Language and International Studies: Business Option  
Foreign Language and International Studies: Government Option  
History  
International Studies  
Journalism Communications  
Leadership Studies  
Legal Studies/Paralegal  
Liberal Arts  
Mortuary Science  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Pre-Law  
Pre-Law 3+3 Early Admissions  
Psychology  
Social Work  
Theatre  
Theatre and Communication Arts  
Theology  
Undecided Humanities

## Associate's Degree Programs

Criminal Justice  
Legal Studies/Paralegal  
Liberal Arts

## Pre-Professional Medical

Chiropractic  
Dentistry  
Medicine  
Optometry  
Pharmacy  
Physical Therapy  
**Options:**  
3+3 Accelerated DPT-Science  
3+3 Accelerated DPT-Sport and Exercise Science  
Biology  
Business Administration  
Chemistry  
Mathematics  
Nursing  
Psychology  
Science  
Sport and Exercise Science  
Undecided Health Sciences  
Podiatry  
Veterinary Medicine

## Accelerated/Cooperative Medical Programs

3+4 Accelerated Optometry  
3+4 Accelerated Podiatry  
Ross University 3+4 Accelerated Medical Program  
Ross University 3+4 Accelerated Veterinary Program  
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine 3+4 Accelerated Medical Program  
**November 1 deadlines:**  
Charleston 2+4 Accelerated Pharmacy Program\*  
Charleston 3+4 Dual Degree Pharmacy Program\*  
Duquesne 2+4 Accelerated Pharmacy Program\*  
LECOM 2+3 Early Acceptance Pharmacy Program\*  
LECOM 3+3 Early Acceptance Pharmacy Program\*  
LECOM 4+3 Early Acceptance Pharmacy Program\*  
LECOM 4+4 Dental Program\*  
LECOM 4+4 Medical Program\*

## Sciences

Biology  
Chemical Engineering [cooperative]  
Chemistry  
Environmental Science  
Mathematics  
Science  
Undecided Science

## Undeclared

Explore options and work with a career advisor to choose the best major for you.

\*Limited enrollment



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