

# University College

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Accepted Student Day  
Spring 2020

# Who We Are



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Assistant Dean for Academic Programming

# Our Mission

**We support students in their exploration of the academic opportunities available within Montclair State University through carefully developed programs, focused academic advising, and career planning.**



# The University College Team



**Dr. David S. Hood, Dean**  
**Dr. Daphne Galkin, Associate Dean**

**7 Academic Advisors**  
**3 Academic Program Coordinators**

**Technology Manager**  
**Program Associate**  
**Part-Time Faculty**

**Student Office Assistants**  
**Graduate Assistants**  
**University Fellows**

# A Transformative Student Experience

## What is University College?

- Newest of Montclair State's undergraduate Colleges and Schools.
- Montclair State is home to the **only** University College in the State of New Jersey that serves pre-major students

## Where Can You Find Us?

We are located on the First Floor of the Harry A. Sprague Library, in **Suite 138**. In June 2020, we will be moving to our new home in College Hall!

## University College Services:

- Academic Advising
- Academic Programming
- New Student Seminar
- Major Exploration
- University Fellows
- Discovery Program



# The Colleges and Schools



# A Transformative Student Experience

## Discovery Tracks

Students choose one of six broad, interdisciplinary pathways that help prepare them for a potential major.

## Exploration Programming

Out of the classroom events help students learn about potential majors and careers and identify areas of interest and growth.

## Dedicated Advising

Students have one advisor for the entire time they are at University College. The advisor helps students identify their interests, connects them to campus resources, and keeps them on track toward graduation.

## Block Schedules

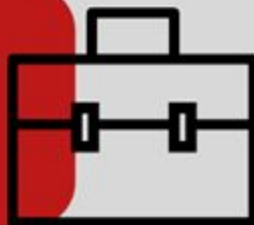
In the first year, students select a cluster of general education courses that support the themes of the Discovery Track you choose, and take a seminar to help them transition to life at Montclair.

# Discovery Tracks

EDUCATION, SERVICE,  
& SOCIETY



MANAGEMENT &  
INDUSTRY



SCIENCES & THE  
ENVIRONMENT



ARTS, CULTURE, &  
DESIGN



HEALTH, WELLNESS,  
& MEDICINE



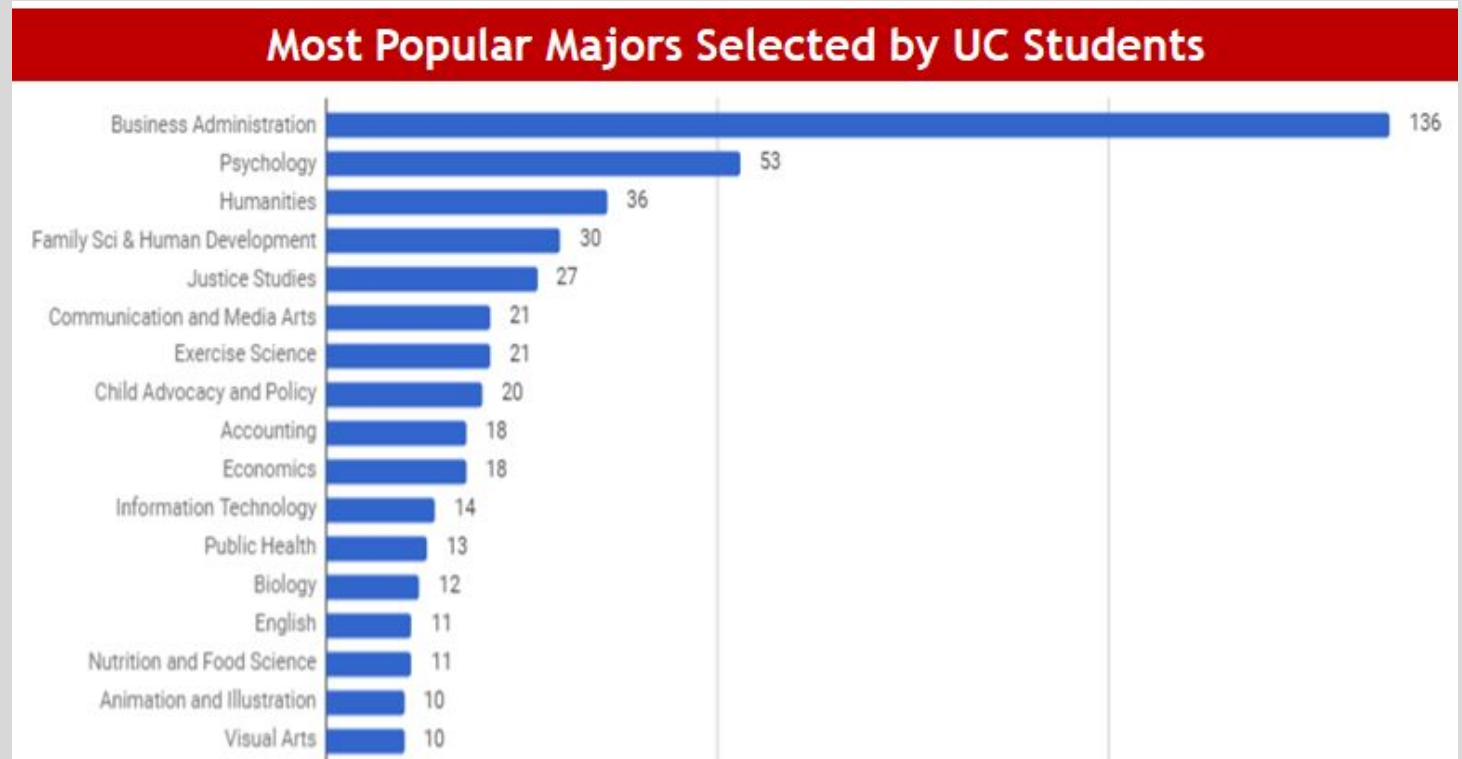
TECHNOLOGY &  
INNOVATION





# Major Declaration

Fall - Spring Major Matriculation (580)	
College of Humanities & Social Sciences	32%
Feliciano School of Business	30%
College of the Arts	16%
College of Education & Human Services	13%
College of Science & Mathematics	9%



# What is Academic Programming?

Our Academic Programming Team coordinates an array of programs and events to guide and support our students on their path toward a new major.

## Our Goals:

- Introduce you to different departments
- Connect you with your peers
- Help you explore your interests
- Encourage major exploration



## You'll Discover...

- Majors and minors at Montclair State
  - Did you know there's **over 200** of them?
- Ways to connect with the campus
- Different resources to help you succeed
- New career options

# A Look At Our Events

**ACADEMIC EXPLORATION WEEK 2019**

DISCOVER, ENGAGE & EXPLORE YOUR WAY TO A NEW MAJOR!  
**FREE T-SHIRTS ALL WEEK!**  
 EARN STAMPS AT EVENTS FOR CHANCES TO WIN PRIZES!

MONDAY SEPT. 23	TUESDAY SEPT. 24	WEDNESDAY SEPT. 25
<b>Exploration Matters</b> 12 - 1:30 PM Student Center Ballroom A  <i>Wondering what it means to be "pre-major"? Learn more about the importance of exploration at our kickoff party!</i>  <i>Did we forget to mention there'll be FREE food there too?</i>	<b>Chocolate Chip &amp; Entrepreneurship</b> 12 - 2 PM School of Business 080  <i>Indulge your sweet tooth with FREE Chocolate Chip Cookies while learning about the Feliciano School of Business!</i>  Sponsored by the Feliciano Center for Entrepreneurship  <b>Finger Foods &amp; Family Foods</b> 2 - 4 PM Student Center 411  <i>Play for prizes and connect with your Academic Advisor in this fast-paced food frenzy!</i>  Hosted by the University College Academic Advising team	<b>Exploration Expo: Health &amp; Helping Majors</b> 12 - 2 PM Student Center Ballrooms  <i>Interested in a career where you can help others? Explore all of Montclair State's majors that can help get you there!</i>  Co-hosted by every College and School  <b>Forensics &amp; Fossils</b> 2 - 4 PM Dickson Hall 173  <i>Play with bones and fossils as you learn more about a career in Anthropology!</i>  Sponsored by the Department of Anthropology

THURSDAY SEPT. 26  
**Open Lab Exhibition**  
 11:30 AM - 3 PM  
 Various Locations  
  
*Taste, Touch & Explore your way through hands-on experiences at some of the different labs around campus. The more labs you visit, the higher your chances at winning awesome prizes!*  
  
 Scan here using your smartphone for more details.

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 1 - 3 PM  
 Student Center Ballrooms  
  
*Come for the fortune telling, psychics, history & mocktails!*  
  
*Stay for the FREE t-shirts, color-changing cups, & more!*  
  
 Co-sponsored by Weekends at Montclair, the Center for Student Involvement, and the College of Humanities & Social Sciences

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The Department of Physics and Astronomy, Sprague Library, And University College Present

## SPEND AN AFTERNOON WITH NASA

Join us for a discussion with Dr. Terry Hart, former Space Shuttle Astronaut, on the past, present, and future of space exploration

**FREE NASA HATS, SHIRTS & MORE!**

OCTOBER 16 AT 3:30 PM  
 SCIENCE HALL, ROOM 102

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# MAJOR MADNESS

March 4 - April 1  
 YOUR EXPLORATION STARTS HERE.

*All events 2:30-4PM*

SBUS	MONDAY, MARCH 4TH	SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, LOBBY
CART	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH	SCHOOL OF COMM. & MEDIA, LOBBY
CEHS	THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST	UNIV 1106 (ADDIE'S LOUNGE)
CSAM	TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH	CELS ATRIUM
CHSS	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH	SC BALLROOM B

SIGNING DAY: A MAJOR DECLARATION CELEBRATION | MONDAY, APRIL 1ST | SC BALLROOMS ABC

WE ARE RAFFLING TICKETS TO AN NBA GAME AND OFFICIAL MONTCLAIR STATE BASKETBALL JERSEYS!

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## MYSTICS & MOCKTAILS

"A Psychic Fair With a Mystic Flair"

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27  
 1 - 3 PM  
 SC BALLROOMS

LEARN ALL ABOUT MYSTICISM, MAGIC AND MYSTIQUE AS YOU ENJOY TAROT CARD READINGS, MEET A PSYCHIC, AND MORE!

FREE MOCKTAILS, T-SHIRTS, MOOD NECKLACES & MORE!

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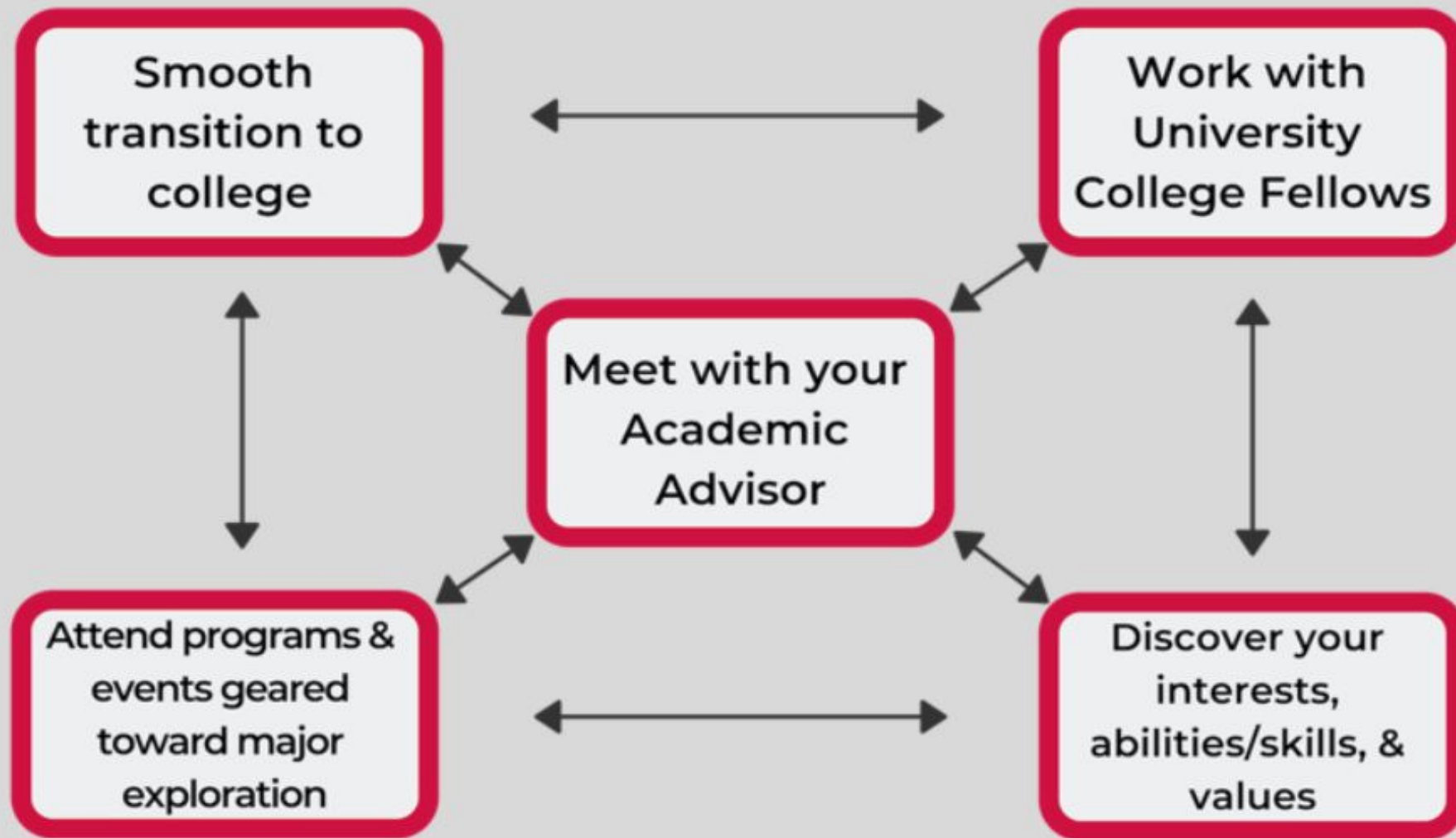
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**Academic Advising is an educational process meant to guide you in meeting certain pre-major learning outcomes in order to achieve academic success.**

**It is intended to help you...**

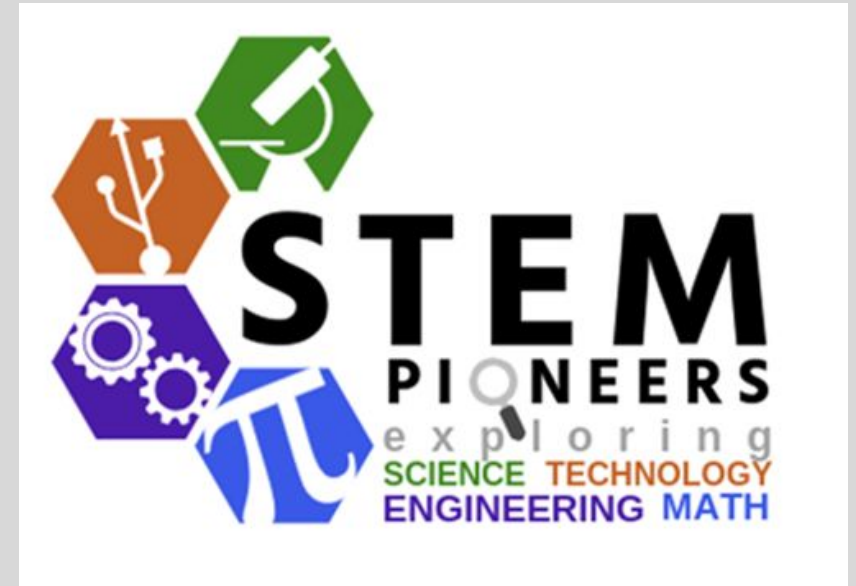
- Connect with your peers, faculty, staff, and administrators.
- Explore academic programs through specially designed events.
- Declare a major by end of 1st year.
- Learn how to navigate college and the resources it offers.
- Create your ongoing academic plan.
- Understand how to be a successful scholar.

# The University College Experience



# STEM Pioneers Program

- **First** in your family to go to college?
- Are you interested in any of the following Discovery Tracks?
  - Sciences & the Environment
  - Health, Wellness & Medicine
  - Technology & Innovation
- Open to **all** first-year pre-major students who are the first in their family to go to college
  - Yearlong course that introduces students to the sciences
  - Receive **extended academic support** and peer mentoring
  - Eligible to **declare a major** in the sciences upon program completion



Questions? Email Dr. Dirk Vanderklein:  
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# Celebrate Your New Major at Signing Day



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