

January 2023

AOE Advising Office

Location: 215 Randolph Hall

In-Person Walk-In Hours:

- Come to any advisor's walk-in hours
- Emily: Mondays 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM & 1:00-2:30 PM
- Chelsea: Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Brian: Thursdays 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Appointments:

- In-person and virtual appointments available
- Schedule an appointment through [Navigate!](#)
- Include a comment with your reason for the appointment
- Offices: Emily & Chelsea (215 Randolph), Brian (128 Randolph)

Note: If you have any comments or concerns about AOE undergraduate academic advising, please email [Dr. Seidel](#).

Upcoming Dates/Deadlines

January:

- 16: MLK Holiday, campus offices closed
- 17: First day of spring semester classes, last day to [withdraw from semester](#) and avoid tuition/fee charges
- 23: Last day to add spring courses
- 27: [Gobblerfair](#), 4:30-6:30 PM in Squires

February:

- 15: In-Person [Connection Job Fair](#)
- 23: [CAMEO CareerFest](#)
- 27: Last day to drop spring courses

For more dates/events visit the:

- [VT Academic Calendar](#)
- [AOE Facebook Page](#)
- [Engineering Opportunities Facebook Page](#)

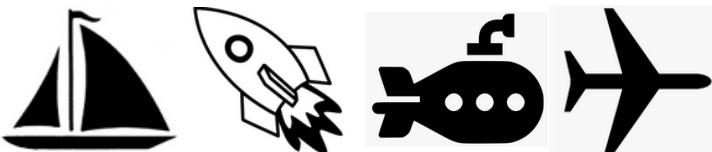
Career Corner

Need to update your LinkedIn photo?

Make an appointment to use the [Iris professional photo booth](#) in the Smith Career Center! This is a free service for students.

Need professional clothing for spring career fairs and interviews?

Schedule an appointment with [Career Outfitters](#) to shop for free professional clothing.



Featured Wellness Resource

Recreational Sports Opportunities

Access to McComas Hall (gym/pool) and the Rec Sports Field House is included as part of your student fees. Check out hours [here](#).

Interested in trying out group exercise classes?

Group exercise classes through VT Rec Sports are FREE Jan. 17-23! There are many different offerings: yoga, F45, cycling, BODYPUMP, etc... Semester long memberships are available to purchase. Learn more [here](#).

FAQs of the Month

What is a DARS report?

- A “Degree Audit Reporting System” (DARS) report shows your degree requirements and progress towards degree completion. [Apply for your degree](#) in Hokie Spa prior to requesting a DARS report.
- Your DARS report includes sections for Pathways, major/minor requirements, free electives and in-major GPA. For more information, check out the [Registrar’s DARS information page](#).
- Colors on a DARS report indicate if a section is complete (green), in-progress (blue) or incomplete (red).
- **If you plan to graduate in May 2023 and your DARS has any red on it, be sure that you understand why! It may be fine (e.g. waiting on a course substitution) or it may mean you are missing a graduation requirement. When in doubt, ask your advisor! The add deadline is Monday 1/23/23.**

My Pathways 1a (advanced discourse) class is red in DARS. Do I need to add an additional course?

- Pathways 1a is fulfilled by AOE coursework taken during junior/senior years.
- You do NOT need to select an additional Pathways 1a course. As long as you finish your AOE degree this requirement will be completed.

I'm trying to plan ahead. What do I need to know to select my track technical electives and general technical electives?

- We have added an [AOE Technical Electives Guide](#) to the AOE Advising website. Here, you will find an [infographic](#) explaining the difference between track technical electives and general technical electives. You will also find [examples](#) of technical elective plans that either work or have problems.
- Find descriptions of each track on the [AOE curriculum website](#) and in the checksheets.
- AOE sometimes offers special studies/new courses. Look for notes on the timetable to determine if a special study/new course will count in a technical track. Check with your advisor if you have any questions.
- You may only count **6 credits** of non-AOE coursework towards your track/general technical electives.

My DARS shows courses in 3 different tracks. Why?

- Track/general technical electives may show up under different tracks at first. Once you enroll in 3 courses that fulfill a single track, they should group together, showing that the track is in-progress or complete.

Academic Resources

- [AOE Undergraduate Curriculum](#)
- [AOE Advising Website](#)
- [COE Academic Forms](#)
- [COE Resources/Support](#)
- [VT Majors/Minors Checksheets](#)
- [Pathways Course Catalog](#)
- [VT Academic Calendar](#)
- [VT Timetable of Classes](#)
- [Registrar's Office Forms](#)
- [Scholarships/Financial Aid](#)
- [Student Success Center \(SSC\)](#)
- [Dean of Students](#)