**ACADEMIC SUCCESS TIMELINE**

**Semester 1**
- Explore your strengths and interests; create your college mission statement
- 13-15 hours of courses that apply to a variety of majors; 2-3 conversations with your academic advisor; register for Spring and Summer.

**Semester 2**
- 13-15 hours of courses more refined to your top three majors; 2-3 conversations with your academic advisor; register for Fall
- Narrow your list of options; refine your college mission

**Year 2**
- 13-15 hours of courses specific to your intended major each semester (6-12 in the summer). Research careers and opportunities. Continue to meet with your academic advisor.
- Declare into your best-fit major

**Year 3**
- Be unique, find the opportunities that highlight your individual skills and talents. Continue to earn mainly A's and B's in courses. Meet with your academic advisor.
- Learn, Intern, and Volunteer

**Year 4**
- Passion about your work is more important than almost any skill. Skills can be taught; passion is internal. Make your mark. Check your degree audit with your academic advisor.
- Graduate with experience, skill, and passion

*Please note this timeline is intended as a helpful set of guide posts, not hard and fast rules.*