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## **UR HERE 2019-20**

College Community & Weekend Programs

It is hard to generalize, but each 4-credit course will require students to work approximately 10 hours a week in addition to classroom attendance. Most students find that they need to study 4-6 hours a day.
How does a student get Advanced Placement credit? International Baccalaureate?

How many hours a week do students study for their courses?

#### Will advisors be assigned to each first-year student?

First-year students in the College work with their Undergraduate Advisors beginning at Orientation and until the end of the sophomore year, unless students are accepted into a major earlier. Once in a major, faculty advisors from the students' major departments take on the responsibility. It is not unusual for students interested in engineering to work with the same advisor throughout their undergraduate years. All students are also welcome to see a professional staff advisor in the College Center for Advising Services, Lattimore 312.

Where does a student go for help in choosing courses and selecting a major?

To his or her Undergraduate Advisor, peer advisor, the academic department of interest, or to

#### ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

#### **AUDITED COURSES**

Students wanting to participate in class sessions during the academic year and work without earning a grade for the course or credit towards a degree may register to audit. There is no extra cost for full-time students, but permission of the instructor is required. The course will not appear on the transcript.

#### **GRADUATE COURSES**

Undergraduates may take graduate level courses. To qualify for such a course, the student must have the academic prerequisites and must show that he/she is capable of handling graduate level courses. Written approval of the instructor in the course and the student's dean are required.

#### **GRADUATING WITH HONORS**

Students graduating from the College are awarded degrees cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude if they have earned at least 88 credit hours that are counted in the GPA, have completed all degree requirements, have no missing grades, and have a final cumulative average that meets the criteria announced in the spring of their senior year. Summa cum laude graduates comprise the top 2% of the class, magna cum laude the next 10%, and cum laude the next 20%.

#### LEAVING THE UNIVERSITY

Some students decide to take a temporary leave from the University, and others withdraw altogether. The student accomplishes this objective by going to the College Center for Advising Services to request a Leave of Absence or to withdraw from the University. Students who leave after the beginning of the semester may be eligible for a partial refund of tuition according to the predetermined schedule published on the Bursar's web site.

Leave of Absence is designed for students who want to leave campus for a certain length of time but intend to return within the next few semesters. Students are charged a \$60 fee for each semester they request this standing. Students do not have to apply for readmission to the University when they decide to return. Returning to Rochester after withdrawal, however, requires formal readmission, which is handled by the College Center for Advising Services.

#### NAVAL SCIENCE PROGRAMS

Students interested in becoming an officer in the United States Navy or Marine Corps are encouraged to explore opportunities available through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC). Prospective Midshipmen may apply in high school for an NROTC scholarship, or affiliate with the unit on a non-scholarship (College Program) basis up to the start of their sophomore year. Once in the College Program, Midshipmen may then apply for a three-year or two-year NROTC scholarship to complete their degree.

NROTC Rochester consists of approximately 75 men and women. The unit places a strong emphasis on moral, academic, and physical excellence. The support and encouragement of the unit staff coupled with the camaraderie of the Midshipmen Battalion provides a framework for success through one's college career.

Midshipmen normally take one Naval Science course per semester. Time in class is complemented by a weekly lab period in which students participate in activities such as leadership training, guest presenters and public speaking. Outside the classroom, unit-sponsored activities include military drill competitions, intramural sports and community service activities. An integral part of the University community, NROTC Midshipmen participate in the full range of UR activities.

#### **SENIOR SCHOLARS**

Students accepted to this program are able to devote their entire final year of college to work on a single intellectual project. The project may include coursework in addition to independent study. The nature of the -0gVectc rang from scholarlyre sar chTo w0.8 (artistic)17. (creativit)65 (t, 0. Tf

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# STUDENT RIGHTS

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#### COMMUNICATION AND CONFIDENTIALITY

The College welcomes communication from the parents and guardians of our students. Our aim is to be as responsive as possible within legal guidelines. Our policies of communication about students are both informed and constrained by federal legislation.

#### **ACADEMIC MATTERS**

• Students have access to their grades online; paper copies of grade reports are not sent either to students or parents. The policy of the College is to release grade information to parents when permitted by law, unless the student objects and/or disclosure would not be in the student's best interest in the judgment of the College. Federal law (FERPA) generally prohibits a school's disclosure of grades without the student's consent. However schools may, but are not required to, disclose academic information to parents of students who can be claimed as dependents under federal tax laws. The College will generally honor written (not e-mail), signed requests by students to release their grades to parents or other persons specified. Signed, written (not e-mail) grade requests by parents of undergraduates will also generally be honored; however, the College may deny a request if the student objects or if the Dean decides that disclosure is not in the student's best interest, or if the student cannot be claimed as a dependent.

#### SHARING INFORMATION ABOUT STUDENT CONDUCT

- The College does not routinely inform parents or guardians about action resulting from a student engaging in inappropriate behavior. In accordance with FERPA, the College will contact parents if their student has engaged in behavior that causes a perceived significant risk to themselves or others.
- Students may choose to allow the College to share information contained in their conduct files by signing a FERPA release in the Center for Student Conflict Management.

The University of Rochester complies fully with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. 1232g. FERPA requires, with certain limited exceptions, that the student's consent must be obtained before disclosing any personally identifiable information in the student's education records. One such exception is disclosure [of grades] to parents of dependent students.

#### **HEALTH AND COUNSELING**

• The relationship between the University Health Service providers and their patients is confidential. Notification of others, including parents, friends, and University faculty and administrators is considered the student's egaet'theany Do pa (. In a6 Tstudenteen )0.9

### FREQUENTLY CALLED PHONE NUMBERS

Note: Rochester's area code is (585)

University Website: www.rochester.edu

In an Emergency: Call Public Safety at 275-3333 when on car	mpus
Advising Services	275-2354
Admissions	275-3221
Alumni Relations	273-5888
Athletics and Recreation	275-7643
Bursar's Office	275-3931
Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning	275-9049
Chapel, Interfaith	275-4321
Computer Sales & Service	275-8353
Deans' Office, The College	275-2351
Dean of Students, Office of	275-4085
Deans' Office, Engineering	275-4151
Dining Services	275-0171
Disability Resources, Office of	276-5075
Financial Aid	275-3226
Health Services, River Campus	275-2662
Health Services, University Counseling Center	275-3113
Higher Education Opportunity Program	275-0651
Information, University Operator	275-6111
Information Technology, University	275-2000
International Services Office	275-2866
Library, Rush Rhees	
Minority Student Affairs, Office of	275-0651
Multidisciplinary Studies Center	276-5305
NROTC	275-4275
Orientation Summer Office	275-4414
Parent Relations	275-5415
Post Office	275-3991
Registrar	275-8131
Residential Life and Housing Services	275-3166
Security	
Student Activities Office	275-5911
Writing Program, College	273-3584

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