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Jobs and Entrepreneurship—Life After High
School

An Adult Faith—Transition to Adulthood

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INTRODUCTION

- Our Homeschool
- Our Graduates
 - Top 15 Liberal Arts University, Oxford
 - Large Public University
 - Private Work College, then Grad School
 - Small Private College
- Homeschooling can be *outstanding* preparation for college!

PREPARATION – MAJORS

- Do you have to decide now?
 - No!
- What do you need to know?
 - What majors are good possibilities?

Try courses in several fields to see what's interesting to you
 - What timelines apply for your potential options?

These might constrain your decision point

CHOOSING CLASSES



REGISTERING FOR CLASSES

- Foundational or general education requirements
 - Educational balance
 - Chance to try
- Prerequisites
- Class availability
 - Some classes are not available every term or even every year
- Registration process and deadlines

COURSE PLANNING

Samuel Catawba College Course Planner

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Foundations and Skills	Hours	Semester Fulfilled	Perspectives	Hours	Semester Fulfilled	General Education Requirements	Hours	Semester Fulfilled	Business Administration Major	Hours	Semester Fulfilled
2	Up to 25 semester hours			25 Semester Hours			12 Semester Hours THESE ARE ALSO COUNTED UNDER FOUNDATIONS AND SKILLS AND PERSPECTIVES			42 Semester Hours		
3												
4	GENED 1200 First Year Seminar	3	F16	Historical and Social (at least two of these disciplines: art, art comm., english, econ, phil, politics, sociology, religion, psych (required to have 6-9))	Have 9	AP (HIST 1201) + F16 + S17 (HON 2501)	Non-Western Perspectives From Either Foundations and Skills or Perspectives, in Comm Arts, Economics, Education, History, Math, Music, Politics, Religion, Sociology, Spanish, Theatre Arts		F17 (HON 2501)	ACCT 1901/1902 Principles of Accounting		6
5	ENGL 1103 First Year Writing	3	F16	Interpretive (at least two disciplines: art, communication arts, english, history, honors, humanities, music, politics, religion, phil, spanish, theatre arts (required to have 6-9))	Have 6	S17 (HON2501) + F17 (HON 2501)	Humanities/Fine Arts		AP (HIST 1201)	ECON 1901/1902 Principles of Macro/Micro		F16 + S17 6
6	ENGL 2111 Second Year Writing (or approved course)	3		Creative (art, comm arts, english, dance, music, theatre arts) (Required to have 3-6)	Have 1	S17(MU S2134)	Math/Natural Science (Math 1132)	3	F16	ECON 2101 Business and Economics Statistics (must complete math general ed. MATH 1132 and MGT 1902 Recommended first)		3
7	Quantitative Literacy (4 hours of Calculus MATH 1801 or 6 hours other math literacy course) Math 1132		F16 (stats) + _____	Natural Sciences (Bio, Chem, Env Sci,					F16 (ECON			

+ Degree Plan - Degree Requirements - Spring 2018 Schedule - Fall 2017 Schedule - Spring 2017 Schedule - Fall 2016 Schedule - GPA Calc Explore

SCHEDULE PLANNING

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
3	8am						
4	8am						
5	8:30 AM		Entrepreneurial Leadership		Entrepreneurial Leadership		
6	9am	Principles of Accounting I		Principles of Accounting I		Principles of Accounting I	
7	10am	Principles of Accounting I		Principles of Accounting I		Principles of Accounting I	
8	10:30 AM	Principles of Accounting I		Principles of Accounting I		Principles of Accounting I	
9	11am	Principles of Marketing		Principles of Marketing		Principles of Marketing	
10	11:30 AM						
11	12noon	Choir		Choir		Choir	
12	12:30 PM	ENT 3501 Financing New Business Ventures (Khoshnoud)		ENT 3501 Financing New Business Ventures (Khoshnoud)		ENT 3501 Financing New Business Ventures (Khoshnoud)	
13	1pm		Science Fiction and Math 20236		Science Fiction and Math 20236		
14	1:30 PM						

Spring 2018 Schedule

- Start plugging classes into a schedule
- Begin with classes with only one section
- Add best alternatives
- Put together a schedule
- Be reasonable about first class, number per day, and time for lunch.
- Don't overdo

IN CLASS



CLASSES – THE SYLLABUS

- Strange requirements and “gotchas”
- Grade rubrics
- Major due dates
- Class schedule

CLASSES – THE ENVIRONMENT

- Be on time!
- Dress nicely
- Consider leaving your laptop and phone in your bag
 - Remember academics are your job!
- Sit up front

CLASSES – CHALLENGES TO YOUR BELIEFS

- These can be attacks or simply debates about your opinions, faith, or philosophy
- “Be wise as serpents and harmless as doves.” (Matthew 10:16)
 - Be wise and respectful
 - Don’t engage in trivial quarrels
 - Be calm
 - Support with evidence

CLASSES – ASKING QUESTIONS

- When are they permissible, and when are they useful?
- If nobody else is asking questions but you have one – then why not?
- Not of general interest?
- Other students may push back
 - Anti-intellectualism
 - Jealousy
 - “Not cool”

HOMEWORK

- Assignments may need clarification
- Ask if you're not clear on what resources or assistance are available
- Ask for help if you feel like you're stuck
- Plan ahead and schedule – do NOT wait for the last minutes

TIME TO WORK



TIME MANAGEMENT

- It's your job
- Work time vs. leisure time
- Plan downtime
- Plan ahead to get things done, ex. The day you have four classes

DISTRACTIONS

- Entertainment
 - Netflix, Prime
 - Gaming
 - Social media

DISTRACTIONS

- Employment
 - Jobs may be for tuition and living expenses or just for pocket money
 - Don't be overambitious – PRIMARY job important
 - Keep a calendar of dates and deadlines
- Other Good Things (leadership, clubs, sports)
 - You can't do the one if you don't do the other

DISTRACTIONS

- Campus Life
 - Gabfests are fun but...
Know if you are trading work or rest
 - You don't have to accept every invitation or opportunity – and you shouldn't try
But don't pass up too many
 - Parties with alcohol or marijuana are kryptonite

PROFESSORS

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- Office Hours
 - Not all teaching happens in class time (sometimes, none does!)
 - Ask for extra work to improve your grade or your understanding
 - Talk about further work in the subject
 - Ask for extra credit assignments
 - Ask what you can do better

PROFESSORS

- Befriend your professors
 - Grades have a subjective part
 - Recommendations from professors
 - Remember they are human
 - They are experts in their specialty but...
 - They are not always right but...
 - Often disillusioned
 - If you show genuine interest in the subject, they will love you

POWERS THAT BE – WHERE TO TAKE APPEALS

- Department Head
 - May be able to override professors
 - Can approve outside credit and special situations
- Dean or Provost
 - Can judge conflicts between departments
- Registrar
 - Help with registration and anything found in the catalog
- Faculty Committees
 - Graduation requirements
 - Interdisciplinary studies
 - Human research
 - May administer disciplinary actions

GRADES AND ALL THAT



EXAMS & GRADES

- Take care of yourself
 - Cramming
 - Physical and spiritual health
- Take advantage of preparation resources
 - Teaching Assistants (TAs) and tutors
 - Library research assistants
 - Writing center
 - Professors themselves
 - Often they're willing to look at early drafts and give feedback

EXAMS & GRADES

- Never just glance and move on
 - Go over it and learn
 - Dumb mistakes
 - Ask questions
 - Not the end of the world
 - The first bad one
 - You $\neq$ Your Grades

EXAMS

- You aren't getting style points
 - You're trying to communicate your knowledge of the subject
- Not tests of your beliefs
 - No debate
 - Demonstrate knowledge
 - "According to Plato ..." or "As the author explained, ..."

GPA – THE GRADE POINT AVERAGE

- When it's important
 - Don't lose qualifications over it
 - Grad school apps
- When it's not
 - Don't worry
 - Most of life

THE REST OF LIFE



LIFE OUTSIDE OF CLASS

- Rest and self-care
 - Outside the bubble
 - Routine (not a strength)
- Church
 - Out of the downhill flow
 - Critical for faith and spiritual vigor
- Campus ministries
 - Worthwhile for your public role
 - Easier to invite friends
 - Real support and accountability

LIFE OUTSIDE OF CLASS

- Family
 - Homeschoolers typically closer
 - Don't be ashamed
 - Call when and how you need to
- Friends
 - Careful about the “inner ring” desire
 - Don't be afraid to be “uncool”
 - Many college students still act like middle schoolers
 - Surround yourself with Christ

SUMMARY

- Prepare well
- Be wise as serpents, harmless as doves in the classroom
- Befriend your professors
- Know where to go for help and appeals
- Put first things first
- Take care of yourself
- This is an investment – make it worthwhile

DON'T LOSE YOUR FAITH – GROW IN IT!

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When Temptation is
on Every Sidebar?

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