GRADUATION PLANNER

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Grad Planner Frequently Asked Questions

• Is I-Plan's Graduation Planner integrated with the old Grad Planner?

No. Once your major begins to use I-Plan you will no longer have access to the old Grad Planner. In order to make your planning easier, click <u>here</u> for instructions on how to print off your old Grad.

· What is an Alternate Grad Plan?

The Alternate Grad Plan gives the student the ability to explore a different Grad Plan. This is where a student can change their Major/Emphasis/Cluster. Click here for help in creating your own Alternate Grad Plan.

• What do I do if I have errors on my Grad Plan?

Note the error messages in red listed above the semester planning. Can you fix the errors?

If you are unable to fix the errors, click on Submit for Adviser help located below the Validate button at the bottom of the grad plan (This will only appear after clicking Validate and having an invalid plan). Leave a note and wait for the advising center to make adjustments on your Grad Plan.

• How do I declare a major in I-Plan?

Using the Educational Strategy module, students can take an interest assessment to find a major and possible career that interests them. Students can then select and declare their own major using the major tab. Click here for instructions on how to take the interest assessment and find a major and career that interests you.

How do I change my Emphasis/Cluster?

See the details above under "What is an Alternate Grad Plan?"

What are Excess Credits?

The excess credits section tells students which credits they are taking that are not required for their major.

What is the estimated opportunity cost section?

This represents the amount of money that a student is 'giving up' to take a semester of school (i.e, foregone wages, etc.).

How long will it take for the Advisor to finish their recommendations on my Grad Plan?

This will vary depending on how many other students the advisors are helping and in which order your plan was received.

What do the different sections on the circle graph mean?

These sections represent the different types of credits that have to be completed in order to fulfill the requirements for graduation for your selected major. The section will be gray if unplanned, light blue if planned, dark blue if completed, and a green check will show when the entire section is completed.

How do I move my courses to the appropriate semester?

Click <u>here</u> to learn the different options you have in the new Grad Planner to move and plan your courses in the appropriate semester.

· How do I choose the courses I want?

Click <u>here</u> to learn about the options you have to plan the courses you need with the new Grad Planner.

• If I have already started planning, is there an easy way for me to start everything over like how it was first applied in my plan?

Yes. At any time you can click on the Reset Recommended Plan button. This will reapply the recommended plan and reset all changes that have been done to your plan from when it was first applied.

How do I use the Compare Grad Plans option?

You first must have completed an Alternate Grad Plan. Once you have at least one Alternate Grad Plan you can use the Compare Grad Plans option. Click <u>here</u> to learn how to use this option.

• If I click on the Plan For Off-Track option, will this automatically enroll me year around?

No. This option applies the Recommended Plan in each Fall, Winter, and Spring semester. You will still need to request an override, or apply for Fast Grad in order to be approved to take classes during your off track.

• What happens if I don't sign up for all of the classes in a semester that are planned in my Grad Plan?

The classes in your Grad Plan that you do not sign up for will be pushed back to the next available semester. If you had an Approved Plan, you will now need to go through the validation and planning process again in order to have an Approved Plan.

· Faculty - How do I access the course availability?

- 1. Login to iplan.byui.edu using your BYU-ldaho username and password
- 2. Click on the Grad Planner tab at the top of the page
- 3. Click on the fly-out tab in the top left corner
- 4. Click on Course Availability
- 5. Use the search box or filters to find the desired course

What is Graduation Planner?



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Plan all of the courses you need from your first semester through graduation

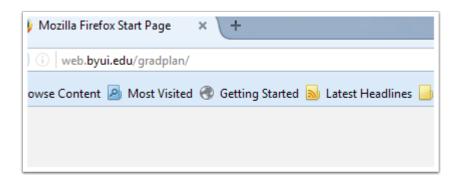
The Graduation Planner (Grad Plan) consists of a list of classes to take for your degree.

The new Grad Plan is a smart, department-recommended plan, which adjusts for transfer credits and earned courses.

It allows you to change the range of credits you would like to take or plan for an off-track semester.

How do I access the old Grad Plan website to see my original plan?

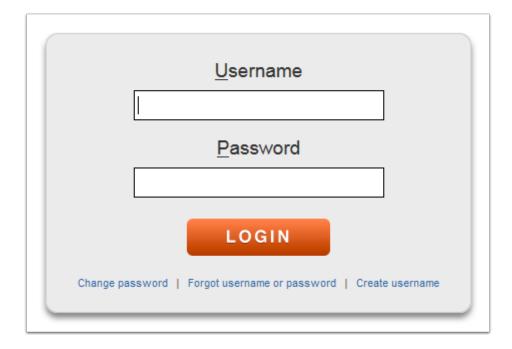
Access the old Grad Planner



Type https://web.byui.edu/gradplan into your address bar.

• The old Grad Planner only works in Firefox with the Silverlight application installed on your computer.

Login



Login using your BYU-Idaho username and password.

Activate Silverlight



Click on Activate Silverlight

Print Grad Plan



Make sure your computer is connected to a printer.

Click on "Print" at the bottom right of the page.

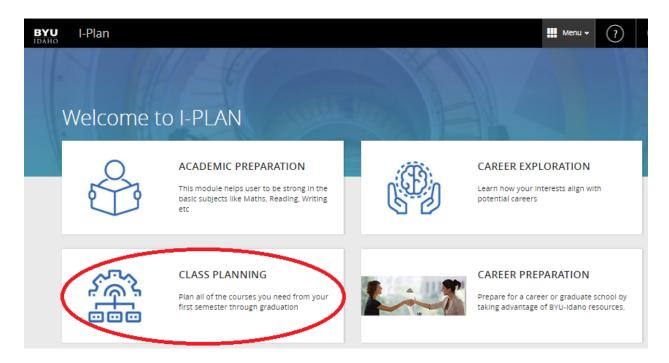
It would be recommended to save your plan for later reference.

How do I create an Alternate Grad Plan?

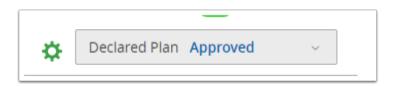
Login to I-Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Go to Grad Plan

Click on Class Planning to access your Grad Plan.



Click on Declared Plan



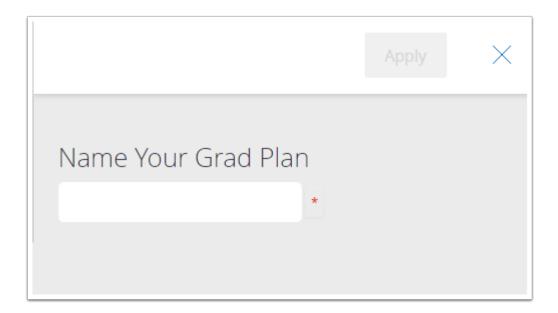
Click on the dropdown on Declared Plan at the top right of the page.

Create Alternate Plan



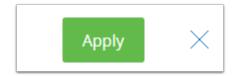
In the drop down options, click on Create Alternate Plan

Name your Grad Plan



Enter a name for your Alternate Grad Plan

Apply



Click Apply to continue with the Alternate Grad Plan

Search for a Major



Type the name of your desired major into the search bar

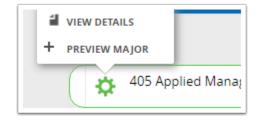
Use Filters to find a major



The filters can be used to find a group of majors that you may interested in.

Using the dropdown arrows and check boxes select all of the filters that you would like, then click the Apply button

View Details or Preview Major



Click on the green gear next to the major that you are interested in

Click on either View Details or Preview major for more information regarding the major

View Details

Below are the steps and what will be shown if you selected View Details



Information regarding the major you selected will be shown

If this is the major you would like click on Select This Major

Preview Major

Below are the steps and what will be shown if you selected Preview Major



The number of required electives will be shown, or if the major you selected has a required minor or emphasis, that will also be shown.

If this is the major you would like click on Select this Major

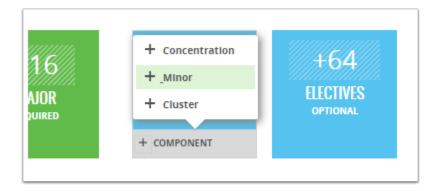
Add Components



Click on component to add the required component for the major you selected

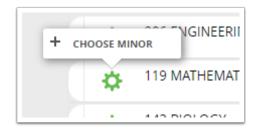
As shown in the image above, the number of required components and the combinations available will be listed for your chosen major

Choose Required Component



Click on Concentration, Minor, or Cluster to choose the required component for the major

Choose Desired Concentration, Minor, or Cluster



Click on the green gear next to the desired concentration, minor, or cluster

Click on Choose Concentration, Choose Minor, or Choose Cluster to declare that component

Save and Continue

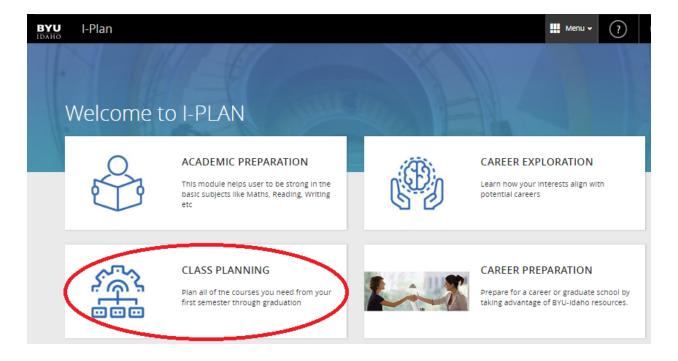


Once all of the required components have been selected, click on Save & Continue to save your Alternate Plan

How do I add classes to my Grad Plan?

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Navigate to Grad Plan



Click on Class Planning to access the Grad Planner

Open an upcoming academic year



Click the arrow on the right-hand side of any upcoming academic year to expand the year and see courses that need to be planed

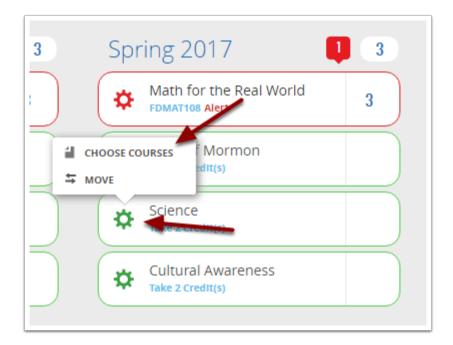
Identify the placeholders that require courses



Placeholders can be identified in one of three ways

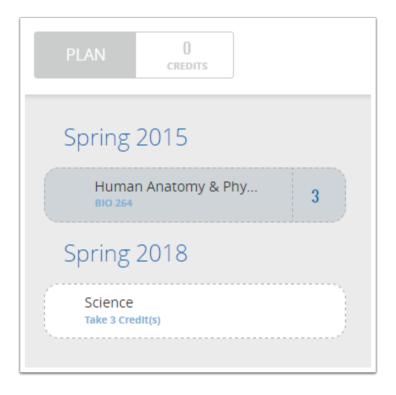
- They don't have any credits in the right column
- There is a generic description, instead of a specific course name
- There is an indicator of how many credits to plan

Click the gear



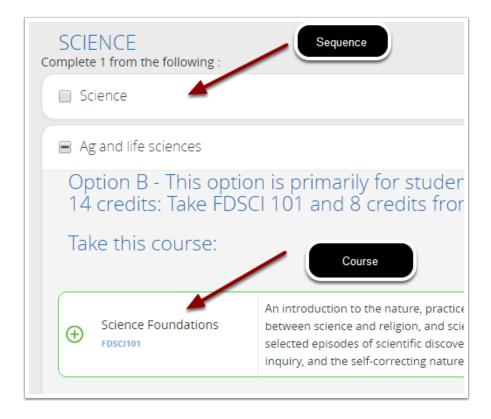
- Click the gear icon to reveal the contextual menu
- In the contextual menu, click Choose Courses

Choose Course window-Top Section



The Choose Course window shows you courses you've taken, when you took them, and semesters that currently have placeholders that need to be planned

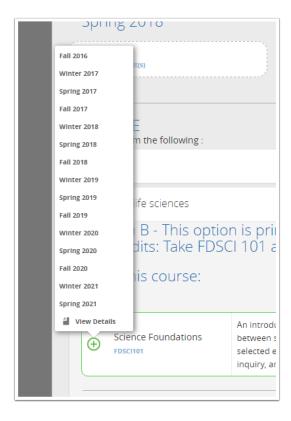
Choose Course window-Bottom Section



Below the placeholders, you will see one of two things

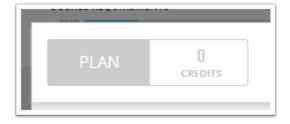
- Sequences from which you can choose courses (these would need to be expanded in order to see courses to choose from, just like you expanded the academic years to see the individual semesters)
- 2. A list of courses you may plan

Choose your course



Once you are able to see the courses, click the green + button to see which semesters are available for planning that course--click the desired semester

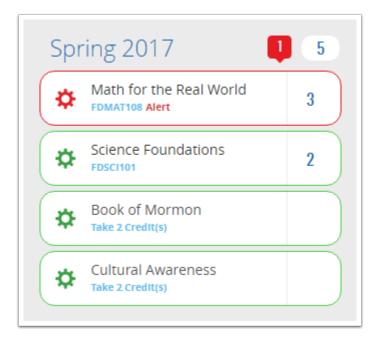
Save your selection(s)



Once you have chosen the course(s) click the Plan button in the top-left corner of the page

① Do not click the X in the upper right-hand corner of the page, as your selections *will not* be saved

Confirm that the courses were planned

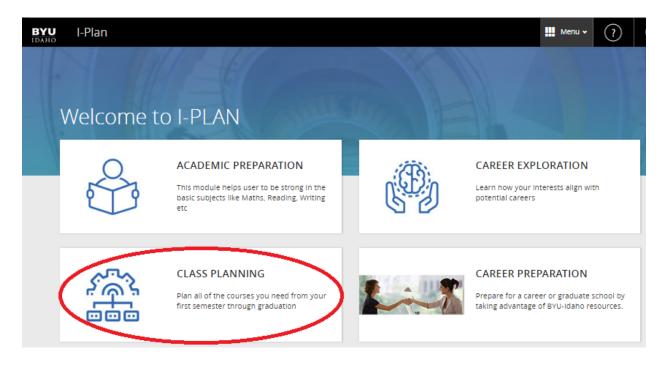


When you have saved your work, you will be taken back to the semester view and instead of the placeholder you should now see the course you planned

How do I move classes from one semester to another?

Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Navigate to Grad Plan



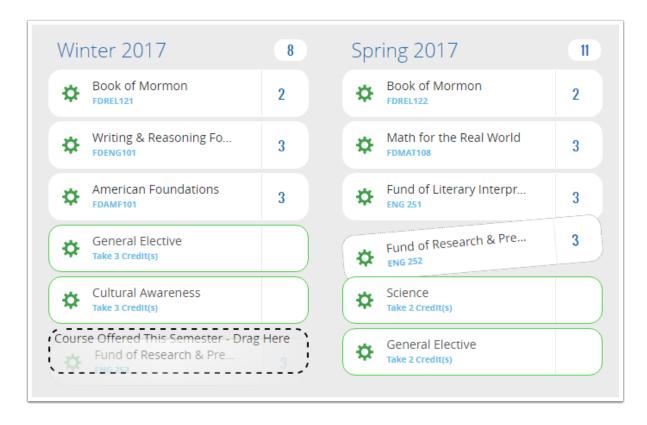
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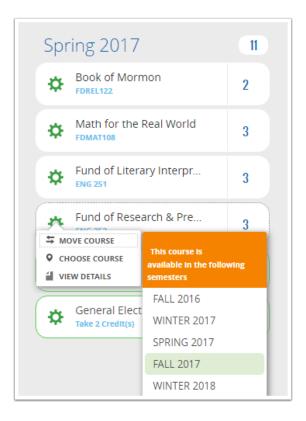
Move course method 1 - Drag and drop



- · Click the course you want to move and drag it to the desired semester
- · The system will check to see if the course is offered during that semester
- When you see the dashed box and the message that the course is offered in that semester, release the course and it will be planned in that semester



Move course method 2 - Use the gear



You can also move a course to a different semester by clicking the gear next to the course you wish to move

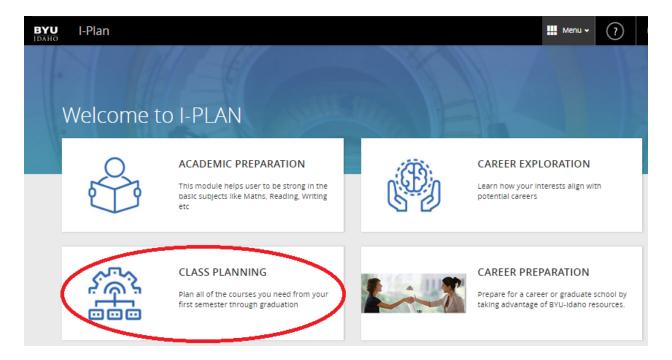
- Click the gear
- · Click Move course
- · Click the desired semester and the course will be moved

① Only semesters in which the selected course is offered will be displayed for you to choose from

How do I compare Grad Plans?

Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Navigate to Grad Planner



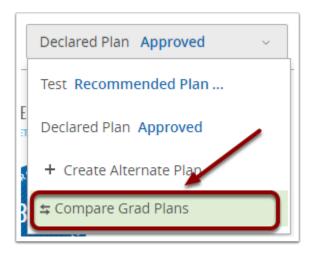
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Compare Grad Plans

Click on the Declared Plan drop down at the top right of the page.



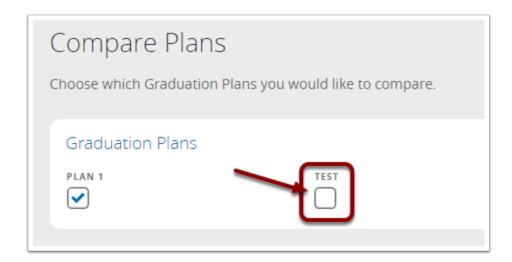
Choose the Compare Grad Plans option.



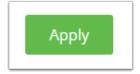
In order to compare Grad Plans, you first must have made an Alternate Grad Plan.

Choose the Plans

click on the check box next to the Grad Plans you would like to compare.



Click Apply once you have chosen the plans you would like to compare.



Where are the classes I need to take?

Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

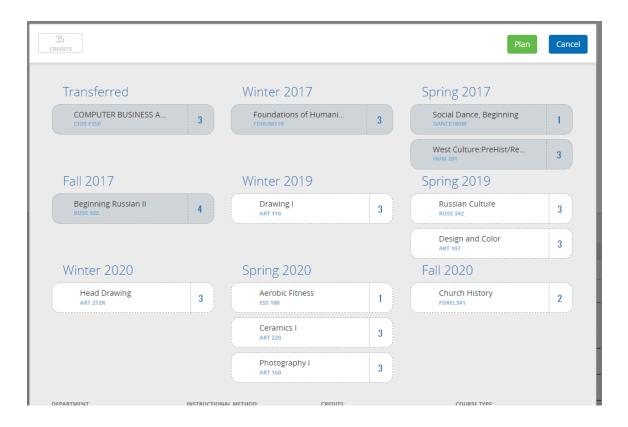
To find classes you need to take, there are two options.

One of the options is to go to the Grad Plan module and scroll to the bottom where you will see a list of academic years.

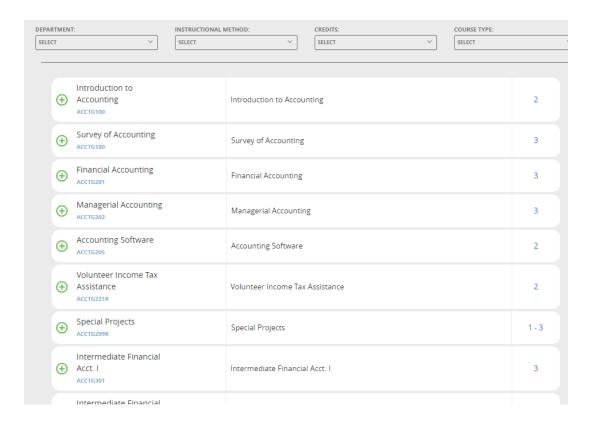
Above the academic years, click the "Add Course" button to see a list of all the classes you need to take.



After selecting the "Add Course" button, it will show you the classes you need to take, or the classes you are still needing to take.



To find classes scroll further down and you will find a search tool to find the class that you want.



Its very important that after any planning that you select the green "Plan" button at the top right hand side of the screen, this saves your work so you don't have to redo it.



After you choose your class you will receive a notification and the class will show up in the semester you selected.



**If the "Add Course" button does not work, it may be because you have exceeded the credit limit and will need to validate your plan before you can make any changes.

*The other option is to search the BYU-Idaho page for your major's catalog. This will give you a list of all the classes you can take.

For more information, contact your advising office through the following link: http://www.byui.edu/advising/contact

Are the classes listed as Option A, B, etc. approved?

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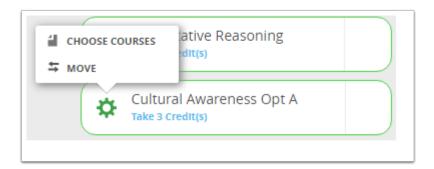
The classes that appears as Option A, B, etc. are normally a class requirement that has more than one option.

To add a class of your choice, scroll to the specific Academic Year.

Click on a future Academic Year of your choice.



Click on the gear icon of the class option, from which you will get a drop down list.

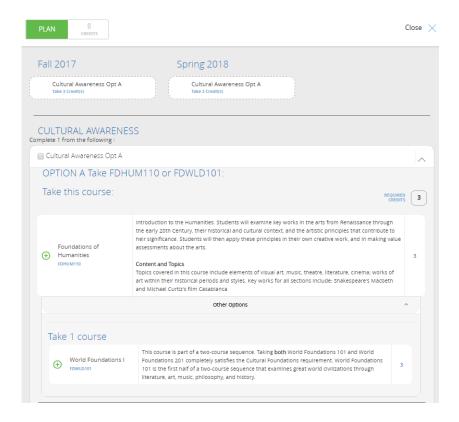


Click on the "Choose Courses" button to see the course options available.

A page will pull up with courses you can add and their descriptions.

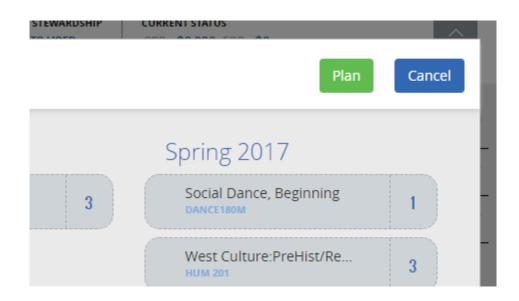
A course has a green button if it is available for planning, and it gets grayed out after you have taken it or planned for it.

These classes will specify the number of credits you need to take to complete the requirments.



Click on the green "plus" button to choose the semester you will take the course.

I have been adding classes but they are not saving, is there a glitch? Is there something I am missing?



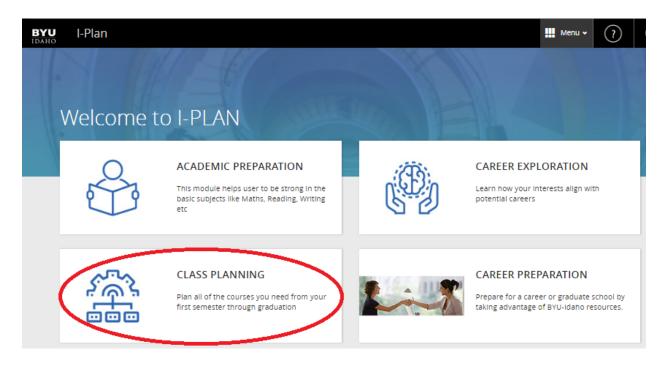
After you finish adding a course, sometimes if you go to the specific semester you added the class in, the classes you added don't show up. This is because you didn't save the classes you added. This is because after adding the classes, you did not plan for them. After you add a class, you need to click plan, it is at the top right corner of the page before you exit the planning page to save your work and changes.

How do I refresh my degree audit?

- Refreshing your degree audit ensures that you have the most up-to-date information displaying in your grad plan, and might be useful in the following circumstances:
- You recently changed your major, but your old major still displays in Grad Plan
- You added or changed a minor, cluster, concentration, or other degree component that was not previously part of your plan
- There have been changes to your degree requirements but they are not reflected in your grad plan

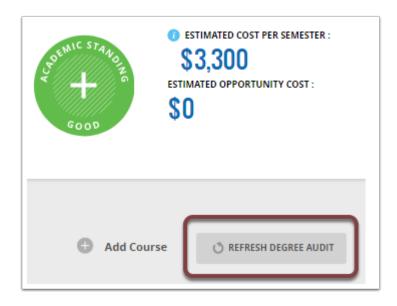
Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Navigate to Grad Plan



Click on Class Planning to access the Grad Planner.

Click on Refresh Degree Audit

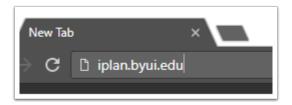


Click the button on the right-hand side of the page that says Refresh Degree Audit.

How do I change my major?

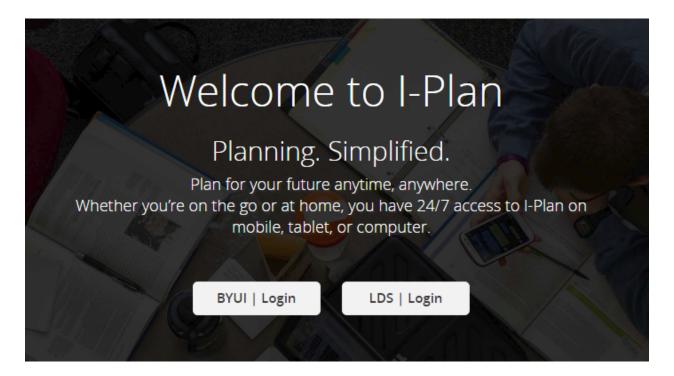
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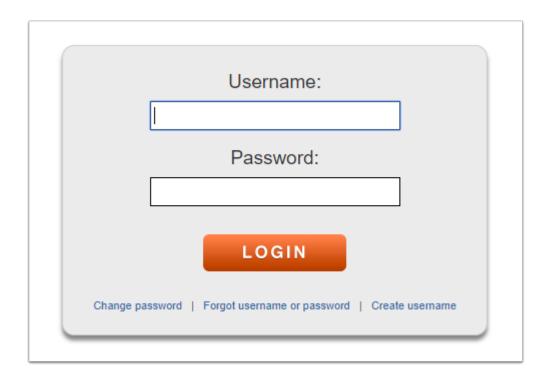
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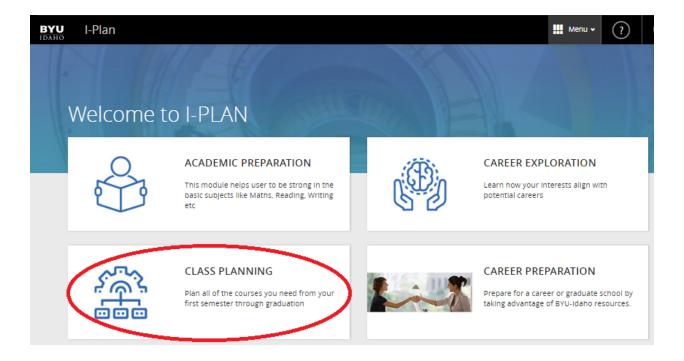
Login

Login to I-Plan using your BYU-Idaho Username and Password





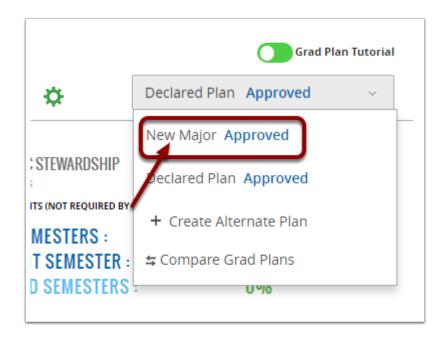
Go to Grad Planner



Click on Class Planning to access the Grad Planner.

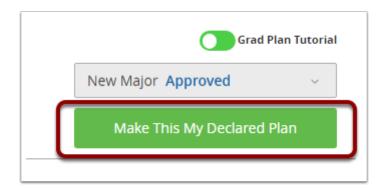
Select the Alternate Plan created for your new major

If you have not yet created an Alternate Plan for your new major, click <u>here</u> for instructions on how to do so.



Click on the created Alternate Plan for your new major

Make This My Declared Plan



Click on the green button labeled "Make This My Declared Plan"

You have now successfully declared your new major as the major selected in your new Declared Plan.

Advisor - How to override excess credits and change the 140 credit threshold

Check For Errors

- 1. Errors are found directly above the plan (plan level error) and within the plan (semester level error).
- 2. They explain what is preventing a student from receiving an approved plan.
 - 1. Red errors prevent a plan from getting approved.
 - 2. Orange errors notify a student he has not followed an advisors recommendation but the error does not prevent the student from getting an approved plan



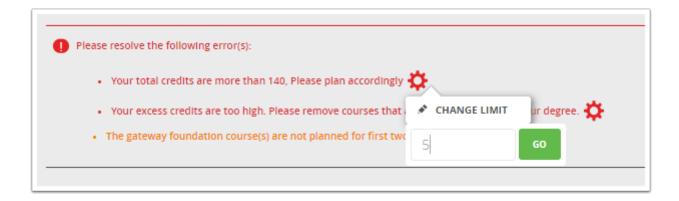
- Your total credits are more than 140, Please plan accordingly
- Your excess credits are too high. Please remove courses that are not required within your degree.



The gateway foundation course(s) are not planned for first two semesters.

Addressing Errors

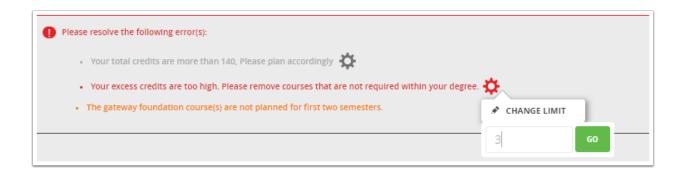
- 1. If the error has a red gear you can address the error by clicking on the gear. You will be prompted to make a change. (Note: Only make changes once you have determined they are valid changes.)
 - 1. An error where total credits are more than 140 will prompt you to change the credit amount. If the student is approved to complete 145 credits then when prompted to change the credit limit, enter 5. This will add 5 more credits to the 140 credit threshold and the student can get an approved grad plan. If you change the credit limit to 145 then you have added 145 credits to the 140 credit threshold and the student can plan up to 285 credits before receiving a total credits error again, so make sure you only add the extra credits needed.



An error where excess credits are too high will prompt you to change the limit. If the student is approved to complete excess credits (e.g. they have one required course in their last semester and the remaining registered classes are not required they will be considered excess by grad planner) then when prompted change the limit. The excess credit limit is set at 15%. By looking at the excess credit in the condensed dashboard (see Figure 6) you can determine what the excess credits are by subtracting 15 from the excess credits percentage listed in the dashboard.



In this example the excess credits are 17%. Subtract 15 from 17 which is 2. Always add 1% point to the number so in this case it is 3%. You would change the limit to 3 to allow the student to get an approved grad plan.



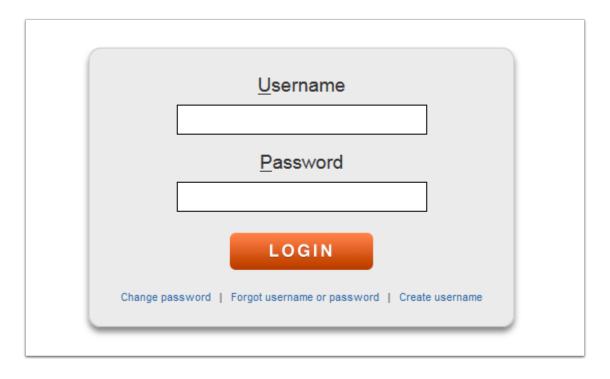
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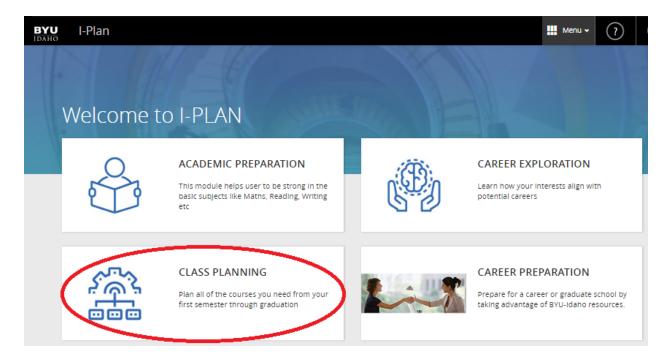
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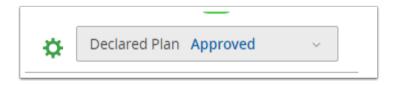
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Click on Class Planning to access the Grad Planner.

Click on Declared Plan



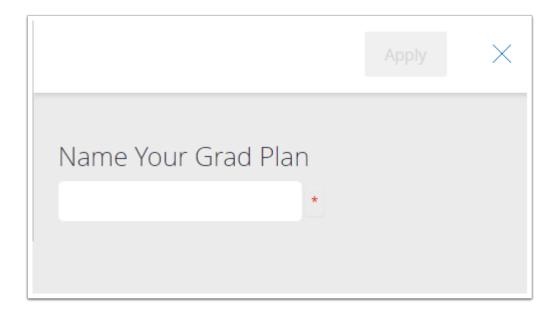
Click on the dropdown on Declared Plan at the top right of the page.

Create Alternate Plan



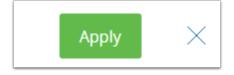
In the drop down options, click on Create Alternate Plan

Name your Grad Plan



Enter a name for your Alternate Grad Plan

Apply



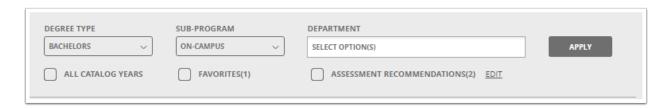
Click Apply to continue with the Alternate Grad Plan

Search for a Major



Type the name of your desired major into the search bar

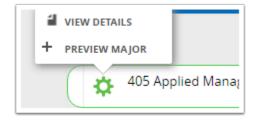
Use Filters to find a major



The filters can be used to find a group of majors that you may interested in.

Using the dropdown arrows and check boxes select all of the filters that you would like, then click the Apply button

View Details or Preview Major



Click on the green gear next to the major that you are interested in

Click on either View Details or Preview major for more information regarding the major

View Details

Below are the steps and what will be shown if you selected View Details



Information regarding the major you selected will be shown

If this is the major you would like click on Select This Major

Preview Major

Below are the steps and what will be shown if you selected Preview Major



The number of required electives will be shown, or if the major you selected has a required minor or emphasis, that will also be shown.

If this is the major you would like click on Select this Major

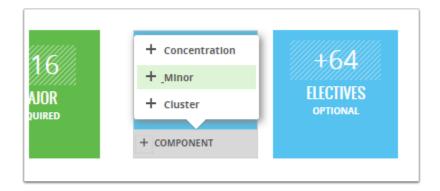
Add Components



Click on component to add the required component for the major you selected

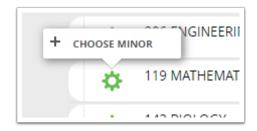
As shown in the image above, the number of required components and the combinations available will be listed for your chosen major

Choose Required Component



Click on Concentration, Minor, or Cluster to choose the required component for the major

Choose Desired Concentration, Minor, or Cluster



Click on the green gear next to the desired concentration, minor, or cluster

Click on Choose Concentration, Choose Minor, or Choose Cluster to declare that component

Save and Continue



Once all of the required components have been selected, click on Save & Continue to save your Alternate Plan

How to Delete Alternate Plans

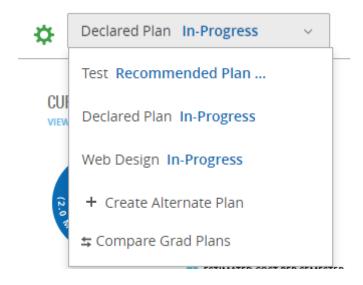
In Grad Planner you are limited to plan one Declared Plan and three Alternate Plans. If you would like to create more than three alternate plans you will have to delete one of the three Alternate Plans to do so. Here is How that is done:



STEP#1:

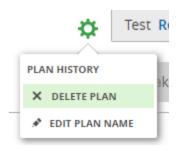
Using the Declared Plan drop down box, select the Alternate Plan you would like to delete.

Note: YOU CAN ONLY DELETE ALTERNATE PLANS. YOU CANNOT DELETE YOUR DECLARED PLAN.



STEP#2:

After selecting the Alternate Plan you would like to delete, click the <u>green settings gear</u> next to the Plans tab.



STEP#3:

Select **DELETE PLAN.**



STEP#4:

Double check that this Alternate Plan is the plan you would like to delete. If yes, then click YES.

What does the information at the top of Grad Planner tell me?

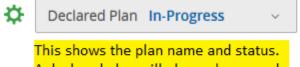
Log in to Grad Planner from iplan.byui.edu

Overview



Major, components, and plan status





This shows the plan name and status.

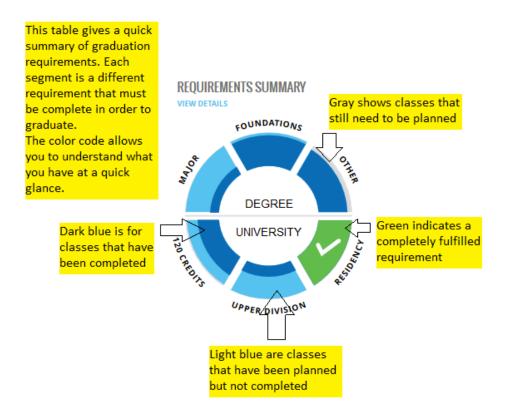
A declared plan will always be named

Declared Plan, while alternate plans

will have the name given by the user.

The plan status explains where the plan is at. For a definition on different statuses, please contact your advising office.

Requirements Summary



Academic Stewardship

ACADEMIC STEWARDSHIP

VIEW DETAILS

EXCESS CREDITS (NOT REQUIRED BY DEGREE)

PAST SEMESTERS: 0%
CURRENT SEMESTER: 0%
PLANNED SEMESTERS: 0%

This shows the percentage of excess credits. These are classes not required for graduation.
Color will change from green to orange to red as the number increases.

BYU-I CREDITS

73 EARNED 39 PLANNED

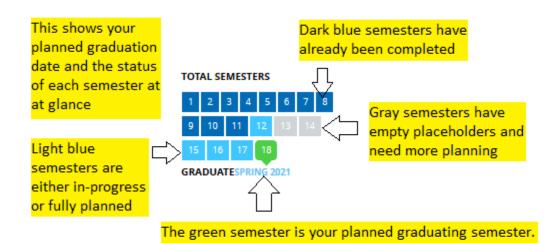
This shows BYU-Idaho credits. Any credits currently enrolled but not completed are considered Planned. This does not count any transfer credits, AP credits, or dual enrollment credits.

Current Status

CURRENT STATUS
VIEW DETAILS



This shows you your current GPA. Since a 2.0 or higher is required to graduate, the circle will change color to show status: red is below 2.0, orange is close above 2.0, and blue is high above 2.0.



The opportunity cost calculator includes two parts: the estimated cost per semester, including tuition, books, rent, food, and other expenses; and how much you are *not* making by graduating and entering the workforce in your declared career.

1 ESTIMATED COST PER SEMESTER :

\$3,300

ESTIMATED OPPORTUNITY COST:

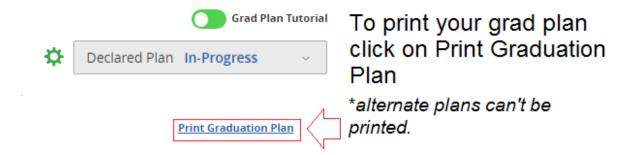
\$0

If you are taking excess elective credits that delay your graduation, your estimated opportunity cost will go up, indicating how much you are spending for college and not making by working full time.

Clicking on the numbers gives you more information and allows you to adjust the numbers being calculated. Clicking on the light blue *i* allows you to look at different financial aid options such as FAFSA, grants, scholarships, and loans.

How do I print a grad plan?

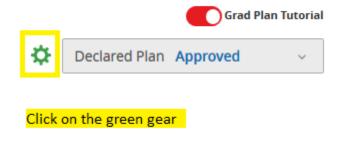
Printing a Declared Plan



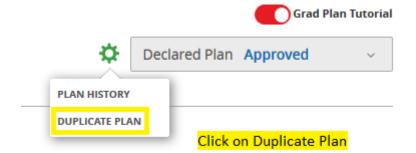
How do I duplicate a plan?

Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how, click here).

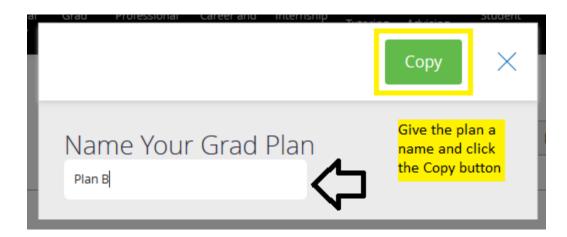
Click the gear in the right corner



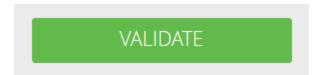
Select Duplicate Plan



Name the Duplicate Plan

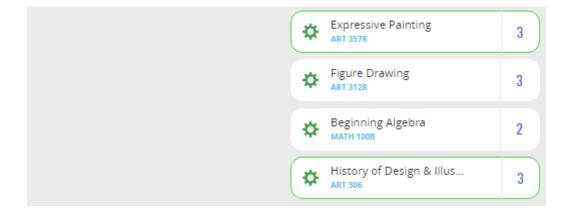


This will create a copy of the selected plan. It will count as an alternate plan, but will skip the steps of selecting a major and components. You can make adjustments to the alternate plan without changing anything on your declared plan. All the classes will be planned as on the original declared plan, but the duplicate plan will not be validated until you select the Validate button.

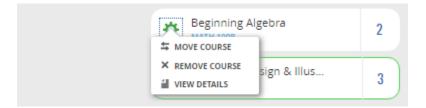


Moving Courses

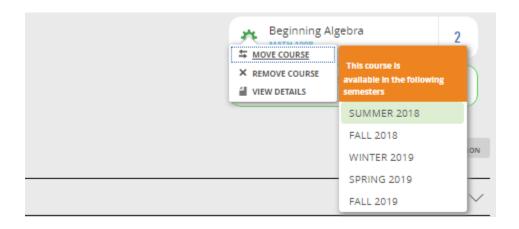
Choose the class you want to move



Click on the green gear



Click on MOVE COURSE and select the semester



Now your class is in the right semester

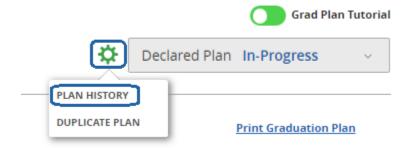


How do I view my Plan History and what does it tell me?

Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Access your Plan History

To get access to your Plan History. Click on the green gear and select Plan History.



Understanding your Plan History



What is Grad Plan Status? What does it tell me about my Grad Plan?

Grad Plan Status

Each Grad Plan has a status to tell you what is happening with your grad plan. You can see your status at the top right of your Grad Plan. Look below to see what each status means and what you can do with it.

Recommended Plan Applied



This means that your grad plan is ready to start but nothing has been done. The recommended plan built by the advising office is applied, but you haven't done anything.

Each recommended plan includes all requirements for graduation, including major, foundation, minor/cluster/elective requirements and all placeholders.

In-Progress



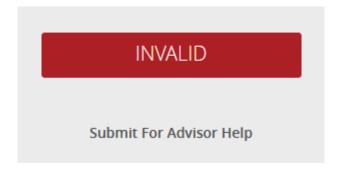
This means that you have started working on your grad plan. It could be as little as moving a class or placeholder or as much ready to validate.

Unapproved

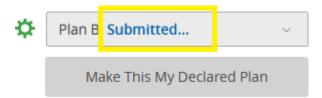


Your plan becomes unapproved when you try to validate your plan and something needs attention. Those errors will be shown in red.

To submit your grad plan to an advisor, you must first have tried to validate and received an unapproved plan.



Submitted to Advisor or Pending



This is when you have submitted your Grad Plan to an advisor for help. They have not yet started working on it, but it is in their queue to look at.

Be aware that if you make any changes after submitting it to an advisor, it changes the status back to In-Progress, which removes it from their queue and they will not see it.

Advisor In-Progress



This means that an advisor has started looking at your plan and is making recommendations. If your grad plan stays in this status for several days, you may want to contact your advising office.

If you try to log in to your grad plan while it is in advisor hands, you will receive the following warning:



If you resume control, you may not receive all of the recommendations they were working on, and they will receive a message saying you have taken control back.

Advisor Recommendation



This means that an advisor has finished making recommendations and submitted it back to you. You have not accepted or rejected any of their recommendations or made any changes since they sent it back to you.

You will also receive this message when you log in:



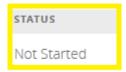
You must accept or reject recommendations before continuing with your plan. When you accept or reject, the plan status will change. If the recommendations finished your plan, it will become Approved. If the recommendations did not finish your plan, it will become Unapproved. When you make any changes, it will become In-Progress.

Approved



This means your Grad Plan is good to go! You have chosen classes for all your placeholders, resolved any sequencing errors, and classes are planned in semesters where they will be offered. Having an Approved plan will remove any High Credit Restriction on your account. If you are working with an Alternate Plan, you can also change it to your Declared Plan, which will change your major and any new components such as catalog year, emphasis, or minor to those of the Alternate Plan.

Not Started



If you see your grad plan status is Not Started, contact your advising office.

This means either that there is no Recommended Plan to apply to your grad plan, or that you have never opened Grad Planner. Either way, if you see it, it usually means something is wrong. Contact your advising office.

How do I view the details of my plan?

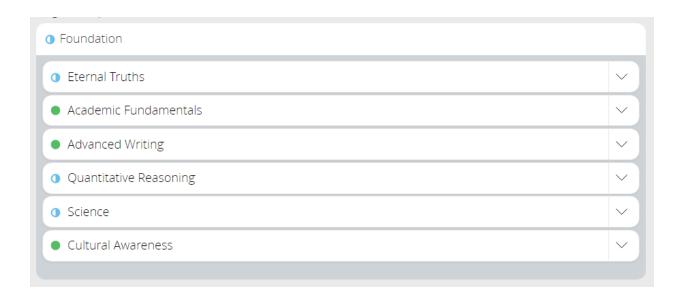
Login to Grad Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Click on view detials

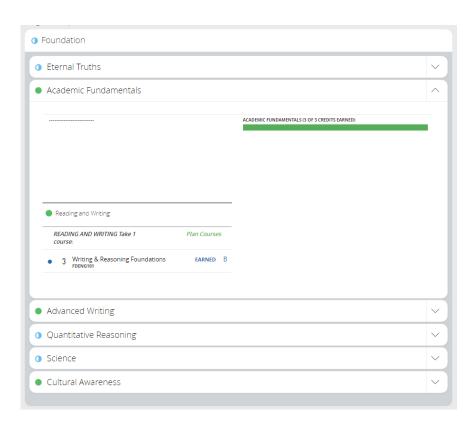
This can be found either under Requirement Summary, Academic Stewardship, or Current Status



Under the View Details section, you can view all the Foundation classes and courses pertaining to your major.



To view each section click on the arrow pointing down. This will show you what classes you need to plan or what classes you have completed.



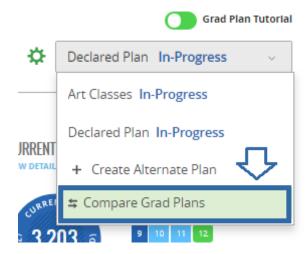
How do I compare plans?

Log in to Grad Plan

Click the down arrow by Declared Plan in the upper right corner



Select Compare Grad Plans



Choose which Grad Plans to compare

You can select which plans you would like to compare by clicking on the box. You can compare a plan before it is approved. When you are ready to compare click Apply.



View compared plans

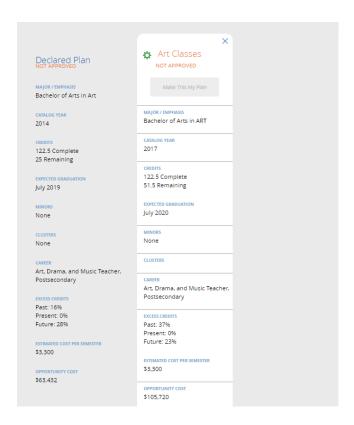
Back To Grad Plan

Compare Plans

Use the data below to compare your plans and determine the best plan for you. Clicking on "Make this my plan" will override your declared plan and will change your declared major and other components if they are different than what you currently have declared. Please note: only APPROVED alternate plans can be made your declared plan.

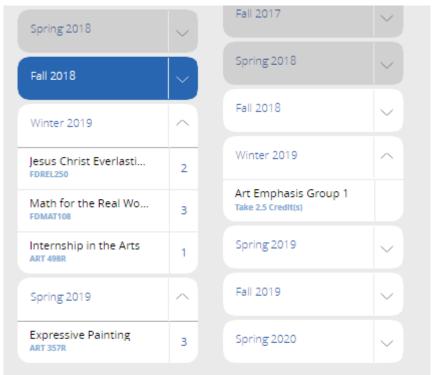
Here you can compare all aspects of your plans

- · Major/Emphasis
- Catalog year
- Credits
- · Graduation Date etc.



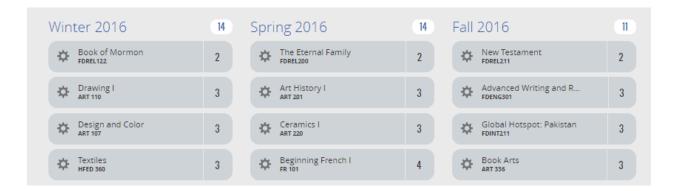
You can open each semester and view the classes planned. With this, you can compare what classes you had planned, when the plans branch away from each other, and see the planned graduating semester, your current semester will show up in blue.



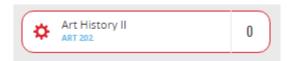


Class Color Meaning

All classes taken in past semesters show up in grey.



Classes with a prerequisite or classes that did not get a passing grade show up in red



Classes in current semesters show up in blue.



Future classes show up in green.

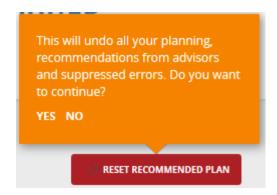


What does resetting the recommended plan do?

The reset button



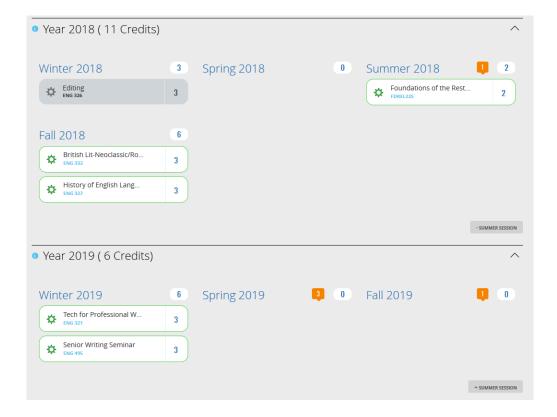
The reset recommended plan button is located at the top of the grad plan, underneath the overview information.



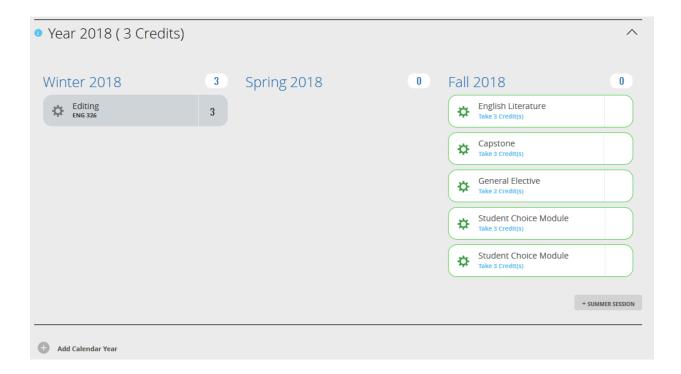
When you click it, you will receive this warning. This will reset everything that has been done to your plan. All planned classes will change back to placeholders, any suppressed classes and errors will no longer be suppressed, and any adviser notes and recommendations will be removed.

The settings about how many credits are planned for each semester and whether to plan for an off-track will be reapplied.

Before



After

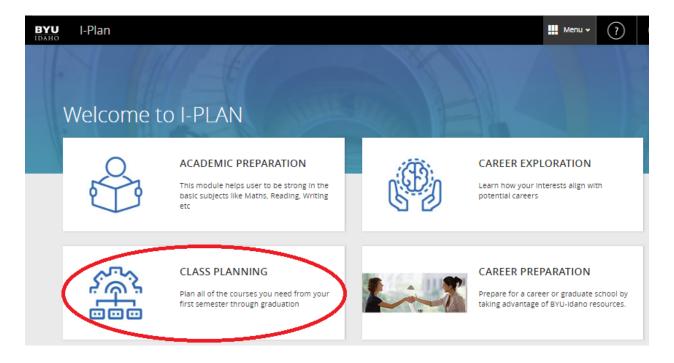


How do I refresh my degree audit and what does that do?

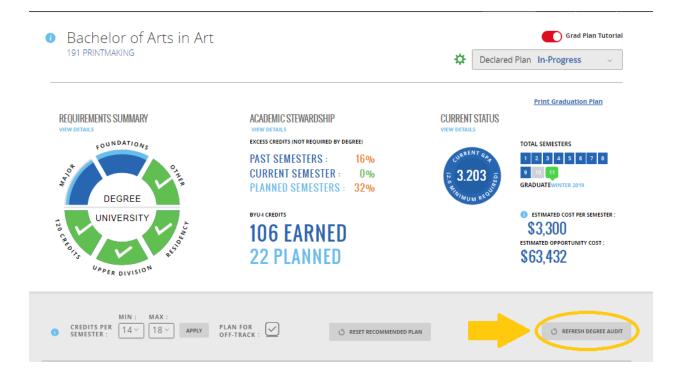
The Refresh Degree Audit button

If you don't know how to access I-Plan please click here.

Once you are on I-Plan click on Class Planning to access your Grad Planner.



Now you are in your grad planner, click on refresh degree audit.



The Refresh Degree Audit button is located at the top of the grad plan, underneath the overview information.

Clicking it will refresh the information that your grad plan receives from the degree audit.

This is especially helpful if you find yourself in one of the following situations:

- You recently changed your registered classes and your grad plan doesn't reflect the changes
- You recently got a substitution or waiver approved that is not being reflected on your grad plan

Refreshing the degree audit *will not* change any of the classes you have planned. It will not remove classes, change the classes you've planned to new ones, or move them to other semesters.

How do I adjust the recommended plan?



By default, the recommended plan will populate your required classes and placeholders into your plan, putting between 14 and 18 credits of classes and placeholders in each on-track semester and avoiding off-track semesters unless specified in the recommended plan.

You can adjust any of these by either adjusting the settings or by manually moving your classes:

• To adjust the settings for how many credits are put in each semester, change the min and max credits per semester. You can change the spread to be between 4 and 7 credits (e.g. you can tell it to have a range of 10-14 credits each semester but not 10-12 credits each semester, and you can tell it to have a range of 10-17 credits but not 6-17 credits). Then click apply.

To adjust whether to plan a full semester during your off-track or not, check or uncheck the box. Then click apply.

• To adjust these manually, simply move classes around on your grad plan.

How do I add an extra class?

Add Course button

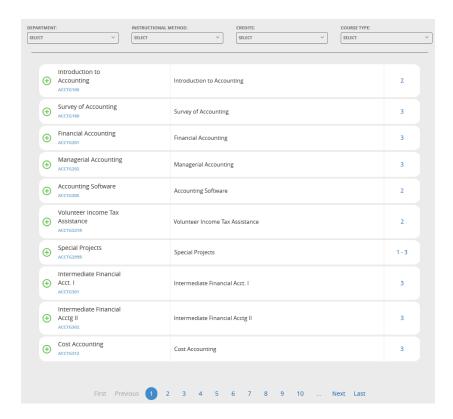


The Add Course button is located at the top of the grad plan, just underneath the overview information.

To add an extra course, beyond what is already in your grad plan, click on the button.



If you still have empty placeholders in your grad plan, you will receive this warning. Before you can add excess classes, you must fill every placeholder. Your plan does not have to be approved, but you do have to fill every placeholder.



When all your placeholders are chosen and you select the Add Course button, you will receive the course selection screen. This is exactly the same as the course selection screen for General Elective placeholders. Find the class you want, click on the green plus sign, select a semester, and then click Plan at the top of the selection screen.

ACADEMIC STEWARDSHIP

VIEW DETAILS

EXCESS CREDITS (NOT REQUIRED BY DEGREE)

PAST SEMESTERS: 6%
CURRENT SEMESTER: 0%
PLANNED SEMESTERS: 9%

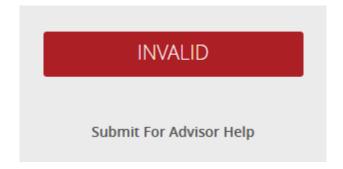
Also realize that adding courses is adding excess credits. These are credits that are not required to graduate. To talk to someone about how excess credits can help or hurt your situation, contact your advising office for your major.

How do I submit a grad plan to an advisor for help?

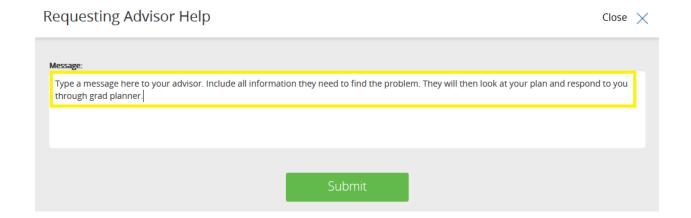
Try to validate your plan



Before you can submit your grad plan to an advisor, you must try to validate it.



After it is invalid, the Submit For Advisor Help button shows up. Click on it.



Type your message in the box and submit.

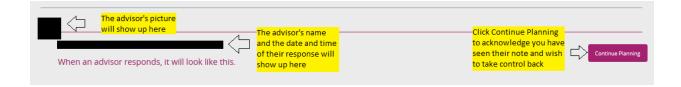
Hearing back from an advisor

When an advisor looks at your plan and responds, they typically do not send an email. Their response comes directly through Grad Planner.

This means you should check Grad Planner every few days to see if they have responded.



When an advisor has responded, you will see this note at the top of your page.



A little lower down you will see this, which shows you what the advisor said back.

Accept/Reject or Continue Planning



Depending on what the advisor did, sometimes you need to accept their changes or reject their changes. These could include moving classes to different semesters or planning different classes. This will show up in place of the Continue Planning button.

What is an alternate plan?

What is it?

An alternate plan is a grad plan other than your declared plan. You can make an alternate plan to help you with a variety of things, such as

- planning your declared major with a backup plan option
- planning your declared major with a new minor/cluster
- · planning your declared major with a new catalog year
- planning a new major or emphasis to change your major or emphasis

What can I do with it?

If you want to change your major/emphasis/minor/cluster/catalog year, you do that with an alternate plan.

You can have multiple plans to consider how life choices will impact your schooling, such as a mission, deferment, internship, pregnancy, or other matters.

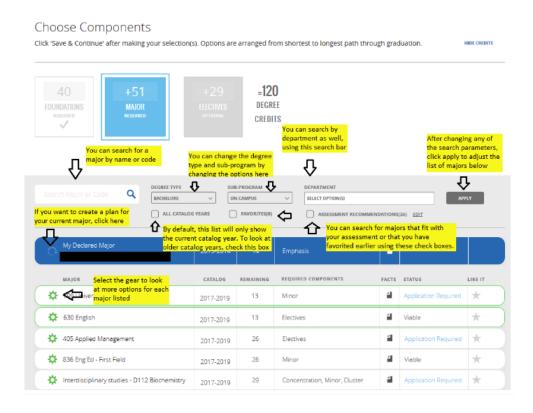
You can compare your declared plan and any alternate plans side by side to look at differences in classes, credits per semester, and time to graduation.

Things You Need to Know Before Creating an Alternate Grad Plan

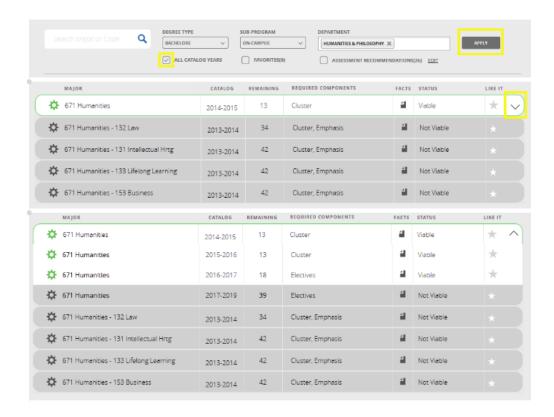
An alternate plan is a grad plan you can make to plan an alternative major. You can still keep your declared plan.

Majors

When you are creating an alternate plan you will see different boxes and options. Every search box will help you to refine your search.



When you are choosing a major you will notice that some majors have the option Viable and Not Viable.



If a major is Viable, it means, based on a quick credit count, that you will be able to complete that major under 140 credits.

If a major is grayed out and says it is "Not Viable", this does not mean that you are unable to take the major. It means that, based on a quick count, you may not be able to complete the major in under 140 credits.

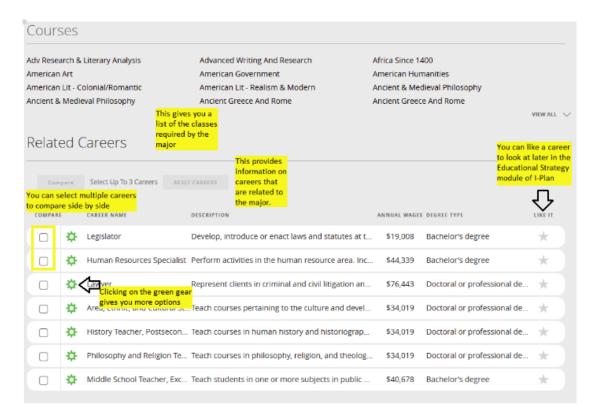
Being over 140 doesn't always mean you can't declare the major, but it does mean that you will need an advisor's help and input to get permission to change your major.

View Details

To view the major details click on the green gear and click on view details.





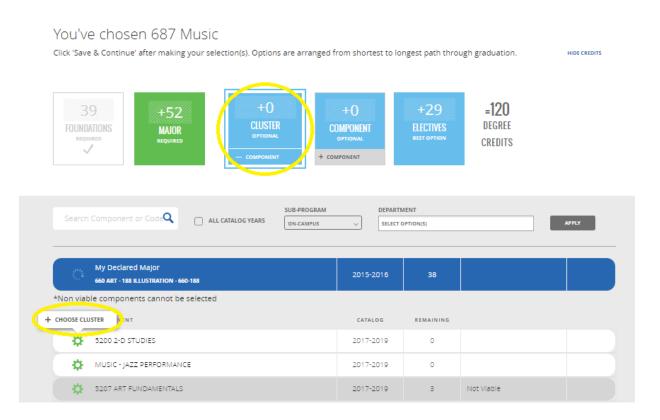


Choosing Extra Components

After you select the major, you may be given a chance to declare an additional component. This means a minor or a cluster.

In some majors, you are *required* to declare a minor or cluster. Some *allow* you to declare a minor or cluster but you are not required; it is optional and dependent on credits. Others still *prevent* you from declaring a minor or cluster because there is no room in the degree for an additional component.

If you are given the opportunity to add a component, it will look this:



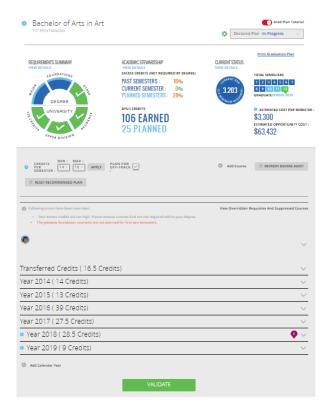
^{*}Some majors won't have the option to add an extra component. If you have further questions please contact your advising center.

Now that you know more about creating an alternate plan, you can click <u>here</u> to see the steps to create an alternate grad plan.

Validating Plan

Once you have created a plan that meets the requirements then it is ready to be approved or "Validated" by Academic Advising.

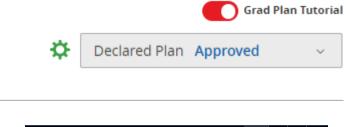
After you have made sure that all the requirements have been met, you can select the button at the bottom of the screen that says "Validate plan". This sends it to an Adviser to approve and validate.



Once your grad plan is validated, you will receive a notification.



You can also check your grad plan status.





How do I add another calendar year or Summer Session?

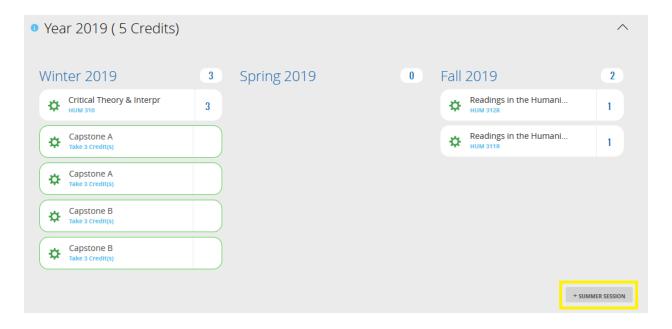
Log to I-Plan (if you don't know how to do it, click here).

Add calendar year

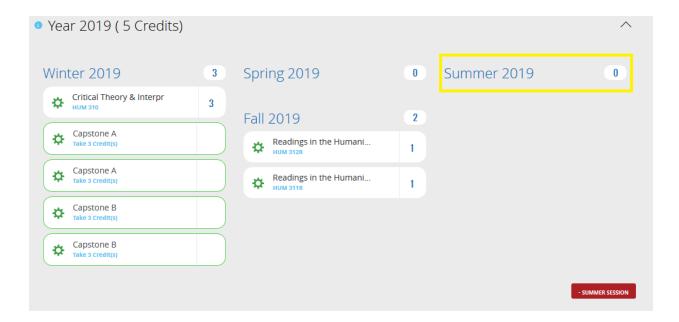


To add another year on your grad plan, click on the "Add Calendar Year" button at the bottom of the plan. This will add another year; Fall, Winter, and Spring to your plan. You can then move classes into the extra year.

Add Summer Session

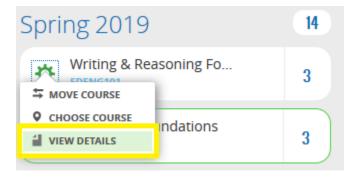


Click on the "+ Summer Session button" on the bottom right of the desired calendar year. Grad Planner will then add a Summer Session to your plan. You can then move classes into the Summer Session.



What does the class View Details tell me?

Grad Planner pulls information from the catalog about each course. To find it, you can select the green gear next to a class and click on View Details.

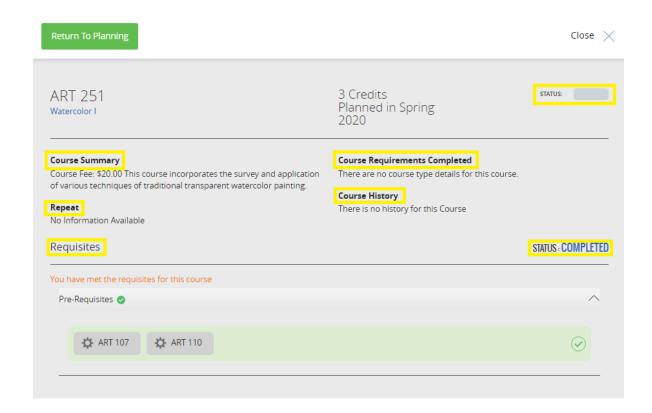


Some of the information is different depending on if you are looking at a class that you have already taken or if you are looking at a class that you have planned for the future.

Future classes

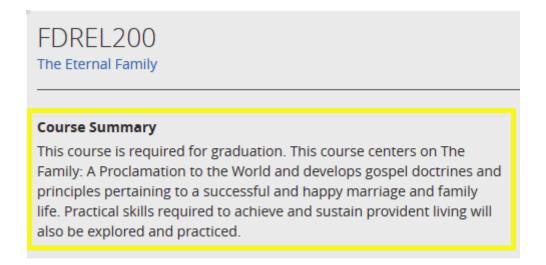
In your future classes you will see the following sections:

- Course Summary
- Repeat
- · Course Requirements Completed
- Course History
- Status
- · Requisites



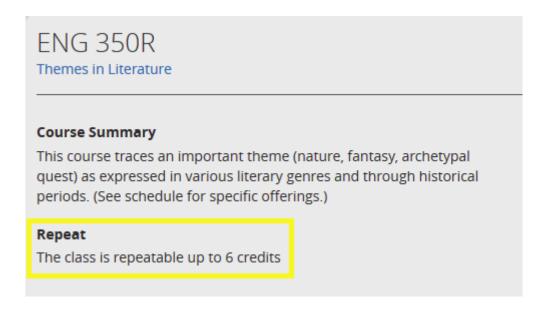
Course Summary

Course Summary gives you a quick overview of what to expect from this class. The description comes from the catalog.



Repeat

Repeat tells you if you can take the class multiple times and receive credit. It tells you the maximum number of credits you can earn from the class.



Course Requirements

Course Requirements explains if there are any special restrictions or requirements to take this class, such as having a certain major, track, or amount of credits.

This is not the same as requisite classes that are required to take this class. See Requisites below for information on requisite classes.

ED 304

Develop, Cognition, Understand

3 Credits Planned in Winter 2019

Course Requirements Completed

There are no course type details for this course.

Course Summary

Relying heavily on social science, cognitive neuroscience, and the study of Christ as a master teacher, this course is designed to explore child and adolescent development, to identify principles that promote understanding and guide the creation and implementation of purposeful and meaningful learning experiences, and to identify teaching strategies that promote thoughtfulness in both the effective and cognitive domains.

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Course Code: ED 270

Course History

Repeat

No Information Available

Pre-Requisites

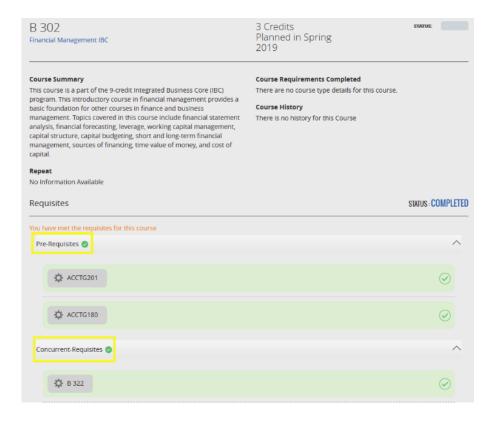
Pre-Requisites must be taken before you take this class.

Concurrent-Requisites must be taken at the same time as this class.

Co-Requisites should be taken at the same time or after this class.

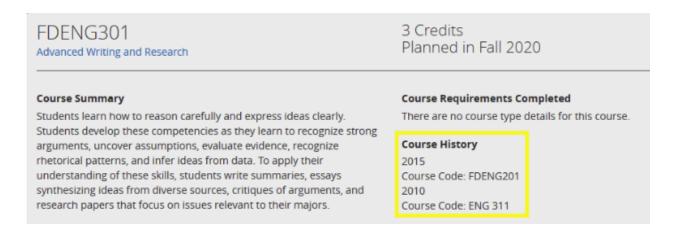
If the requisite classes are in the correct spot in your grad plan, they will be marked green. If they are in the wrong spot or still need to be added, they will be white.

Some majors have unique circumstances and may not need to take a pre-requisite class as listed in Grad Planner. If the pre-requisite class does not show up in your plan, you may be in one of these majors. For help with your grad plan and understanding if you need the pre-requisites or not, contact your advising center.



Course History

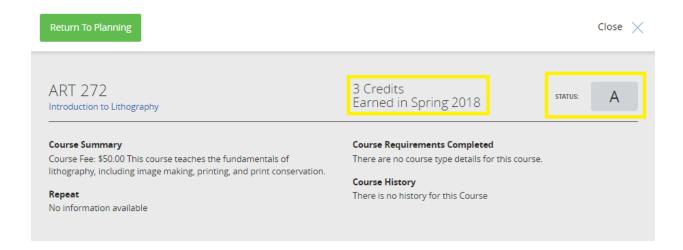
If the course code has been changed, here you can find what the old code was and when the change took place.



Past Classes

For classes that you have already taken, most of the information is the same. There are just a couple differences.

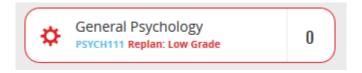
You can see the grade you got in the class, the credits, and the semester when you took the class.



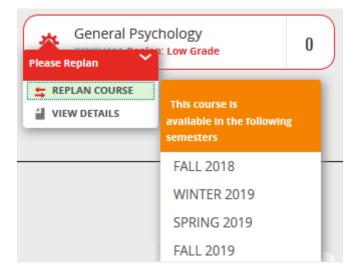
How do I plan to retake a class?

Retake for failed class

If you fail a class, Grad Planner will flag the class in red and warn you that you need to replan the class.



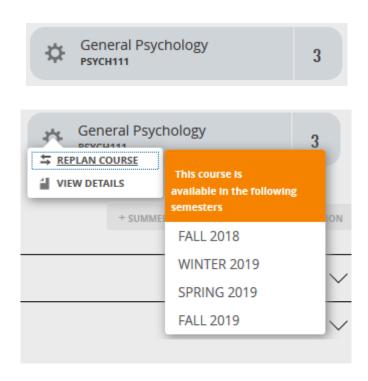
To plan the class again, click on the red gear and choose "Replan Course", then select a semester. Grad Planner will put the class in the selected semester.



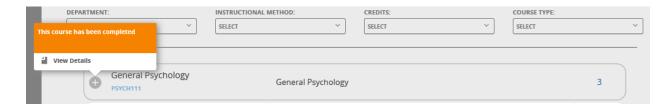
Alternately, a new placeholder will be added to your plan and you can add the class through the placeholder like normal.

Retake to improve grade

If you have already received a passing grade but want to retake the class to improve your grade, you still need to plan it from the past semester where you took the class. Select the gray gear and click on "Replan Course".



You cannot replan a class that you have already passed from a general elective placeholder. The class will be grayed out and unavailable for planning.



What are the placeholders on my grad plan and what do they mean?

Everything required for graduation is in your grad plan. All of your major requirements, foundations classes, and any required electives are already in your plan.

Each requirement is represented and comes in two types: required classes and placeholders. There is a simple color code to help you understand which classes are required and which requirements have options.

Required Classes



Required classes do not have a green outline and come already specified in your grad plan. They will list the title and code of the course and have the amount of credits listed on the right.

This class is required for graduation. Rarely are there exceptions for a required class; you must take this one. To see if there are options, click on the gear and select Choose Course.

From a required course, you can click on the gear to move the course, view the requirement it fulfills, or view the class details.

Placeholders

A placeholder is used when you have an option to fulfill a requirement. They start as empty placeholders. When you choose what you want to take to fulfill that requirement, it becomes a filled placeholder.

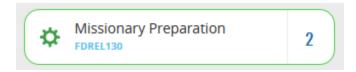
Empty Placeholders



An empty placeholder has a green outline and no specific class. In place of a class name and code, an empty placeholder lists the requirement and how many credits are needed to fulfill that placeholder. There is also no credit number on the side.

From an empty placeholder, you can click on the gear to choose a course to fill the placeholder or move the placeholder to a different semester.

Filled Placeholders



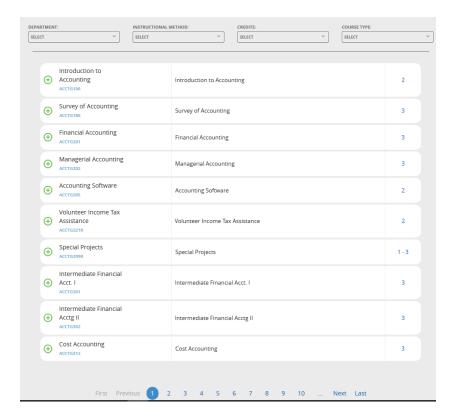
After you choose a course from an empty placeholder, it becomes a filled placeholder. Filled placeholders are still outlined in green, telling you this is not a required class, it was selected from a list of options. It lists the course title and code and has the credit number on the side.

When you click on the gear, you can move the course to a different semester, view the requirement to change the course, or view the course details.

General Electives



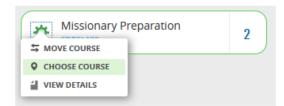
General Elective placeholders function a little differently. They still have a green outline and the number of credits the placeholder is for. However, the options to fulfill this placeholder are much more flexible.



When you select Choose Course, the pop-up gives you access to any class offered at BYU-Idaho. The search filters at the top can help narrow your search to find either a specific class or a type of class to take.

After you have selected your class, the placeholder in the grad plan looks the same until you click on the gear.

Placeholder



General Elective Placeholder



A regular placeholder gives you the option to Choose Course, to view the requirement and select classes that will fulfill the requirement.

A general elective placeholder gives you the option to Remove Course, which removes the selected class and provides a new general elective placeholder.