

Springfield College - Academic Advising Center Guide to Applying to a New Major, 2008 - 2009

- Change of major applications are available from the Registrar's Office or the Academic Advising Center (both located on the 1st floor of the Administration Building), or from their webpages. Some majors require a letter of application, a special application form, or a transcript.

- Keep in mind that you are *applying* to a new major -- some majors have limited space to accept new students or special academic standards. Meeting recommended or required qualifications does NOT guarantee acceptance.

- Once accepted, continuing in a program may be contingent on meeting program or advanced standing standards, which may include requirements relative to GPA, completion of course work, fieldwork, etc. Students pursuing education licensure must qualify for official admittance to the teacher preparation program prior to the junior year.

- For more information about applying, see the information below, or contact the appropriate department, your advisor, or the Academic Advising Center (Administration Building, Room 112, 413-748-3379).

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Major	Department	Contact for more information	How to apply	Recommended or required qualifications to apply	Earliest date to apply (or deadline, if applicable)
American Studies	Social Science	Fall - Prof Herb Zettl, x3213, Blake Hall 305 Spring - Dr. Tom Carty, x3254, Blake Hall 314	Submit standard change of major application to Prof. Herb Zettl.	No minimum requirements to apply for stand-alone AMST major. See below for AMST/elementary education.	Midterm your first semester
American Studies & Education/Elementary and Special Education Licensure	Social Science & Education	Prof Zettl or Dr. Carty (see above) or Dr. Dan Zukergood, x3354, Locklin 306B	Submit standard change of major application and transcript to Prof. Herb Zettl (see above) and Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by Social Sciences and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Applied Exercise Science	Exercise Science and Sports Studies	Dr. Margaret Jones, x3601, AT/ES Bldg. Rm. 208	Submit letter of application and transcript to Dr. Tracey Matthews, x3397, AT/ES Bldg. Rm. 203	Limited openings. Minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA. Must have C- or better in MSCI 313, 319 and all AEXS courses to remain in major.	Letters must be received by December 1 for acceptance for spring; April 1 for acceptance for fall.
Applied Sociology	Social Science	Dr. Laurel Davis-Delano, x3645, Blake Hall 313	Submit standard change of major application to Prof. Herb Zettl, x3213, Blake Hall 305.	No minimum requirements to apply.	Midterm your first semester
Art	Visual and Performing Arts	Prof. Ron Maggio, x3753, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor.	Submit standard change of major application form to, and meet with, Prof. Maggio.	Art courses or experience beneficial.	Midterm your first semester

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Art & Education/Visual Arts Teacher Licensure	Visual and Performing Arts & Education	Dr. Simone Alter-Muri, x3752, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor	Meet with Dr. Alter-Muri. Submit standard change of major application form to Prof. Maggio x3752, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor. Also submit change of major application form and transcript to Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by VAPA and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Art Therapy	Visual and Performing Arts	Dr. Simone Alter-Muri, x3752, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor	Meet with Dr. Alter-Muri. Submit standard change of major application form to Prof. Ron Maggio, x3752, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor.	No minimum requirements to apply. Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA and program requirement GPA required to continue in program. Grades of C or better required for ARTS and ATPY courses.	Midterm your first semester
Art Therapy & Education/Visual Arts Teacher Licensure	Visual and Performing Arts & Education	Dr. Simone Alter-Muri, x3752, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor	Submit standard change of major application form to Prof. Maggio x3752, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor. Also submit change of major application form and transcript to Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by VAPA and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Athletic Training	Exercise Science and Sports Studies	Dr. Mary Barnum, x3763, AT/ES Bldg. Rm. 104	Submit letter of application, h.s. and college transcripts, references, and supplemental application form to Dr. Tracey Matthews, x3397, AT/ES Bldg. RM. 203.	Very limited openings. Minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA. Experience assisting or shadowing Certified Athletic Trainer(s) preferred. If accepted into the major, you begin with the next first-year class, and the curriculum requires a full four years from that point to complete.	Application letters must be received by February 1.
Biology	Chemistry/Biology	Dr. Joe Berger, x3457, Schoo-Bemis 223	Submit standard change of major application to Dr. Frank Torre, x3380, Schoo-Bemis 225.	Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for the stand-alone BIOL major. See below for BIOL/secondary education.	End of your first semester
Biology & Education/Secondary Education Licensure	Chemistry/Biology & Education	Dr. Hai Kinal, x3690, Schoo-Bemis 214 or Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B	Submit standard change of major application and transcript to Dr. Frank Torre (see above) and Dr. Barkman.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by Biology/Chemistry and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Business Management	Business Administration	Prof. Joel Parrish, x3470, Locklin 205	Meet with, and submit standard change of major application to Prof. Parrish.	Students applying after their first semester should have a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA	Midterm your first semester

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Communication Disorders	Rehabilitation and Disability Studies	Prof. Deborah Cook, x3321, Locklin 110	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Robert Hewes, x3769, Locklin 112.	No minimum requirements to apply for first-year students. Students applying at end of sophomore year or beyond may need to complete program matriculation application and meet program standards.	Midterm your first semester
Communications/ Sports Journalism	Humanities	Dr. Dennis Gildea, x3245, Weiser 204 or Prof. Marty Dobrow, x3253, Weiser 203	Submit standard change of major application to Dr. Margaret Lloyd, x3217, Weiser 209.	If taken COMM 120, must have C or better. Once accepted, must maintain a minimum 2.50 GPA to continue in the major.	Midterm your first semester
Computer and Information Sciences	Math/Physics/ Computer Science	Dr. Peter Polito, x3313, Schoo-Bemis 118	Submit standard change of major application to Dr. Polito.	Satisfactory high school background for first-semester students; 2.50 cumulative GPA and 2.50 GPA in MATH and CISC classes for students beyond first semester.	Midterm your first semester
Computer Graphics/ Digital Arts	Visual and Performing Arts	Prof. Ruth West, x3679, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor	Meet with Prof. West. Submit standard change of major application to Prof. Ron Maggio, x3753, Visual Arts Center, Blake Hall 2nd floor.	Art and/or computer courses or experience beneficial.	Midterm your first semester
Criminal Justice	Social Science	Dr. Gordon Robinson, x3256, Blake Hall 315	Submit standard change of major application to Prof. Herb Zettl, x3213, Blake Hall 305.	No minimum requirements to apply.	Midterm your first semester
Dance	Visual and Performing Arts	Dr. Cynthia Nazzaro, x3158, Judd 207	Consult with, and submit change of major application form to Dr. Nazzaro.	See Dr. Nazzaro for more information about qualifications to apply.	Midterm your first semester
Education - Early Childhood Education Licensure	Education	Dr. Mary Allen, x3356, Locklin 303B or Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B	Students must also apply to major in Psychology.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by the Education and content major departments.	End of your first semester
Education - Elementary and Special Education Licensure	Education	Professor Jennifer Johnston, x3655, Locklin 305B	Students must also apply to major in American Studies, English, or Mathematics and Computer Technology.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by the Education and content major departments.	End of your first semester
Education - Secondary Education Licensure	Education	Dr. Eileen Cyr, x3312, Locklin 305D	Students must also apply to major in Biology, English, History, or Mathematics.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by the Education and content major departments.	End of your first semester

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Emergency Medical Services Management	Emergency Medical Services Management	Prof. Judith Moore, x3766, Blake Hall 144 or Prof. Robert Hopkins, x3788, Bake Hall 136	Complete EMSM questionnaire (available from Admissions) and submit with the standard change of major form to Prof. Moore or Prof. Hopkins.	Consultation with Prof. Moore or Prof. Hopkins.	Applications due Nov. 15 for acceptance for spring; due during the spring semester for acceptance for fall.
English	Humanities	Dr. Margaret Lloyd, x3217, Weiser 209	Submit change of major application to Dr. Lloyd.	No minimum requirements to apply for stand-alone ENGL major. See below for ENGL/education.	Midterm your first semester
English & Education (either Elementary and Special Education Licensure or Secondary Licensure)	Humanities & Education	Dr. Lloyd (see above) or Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B	Submit change of major application to Dr. Lloyd and Dr. Barkman.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by Humanities and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
General Studies (design your own major)	Academic Advising	Prof. Judy Hartling, x3379, Administration 112	Submit standard change of major application form to Prof. Hartling.	No minimum requirements to apply.	End of your first semester
Health Science - General Studies	Rehabilitation and Disability Studies	Dr. Robert Hewes, x3769, Locklin 112 (or any dept. faculty advisor)	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Hewes.	No minimum requirements to apply for first-year students. (This is a new program, so it is not available to upper-level students.)	Midterm your first semester
Health Services Administration	Business Administration	Prof. John Doyle, x3199, Locklin 202	Submit standard change of major application form to Prof. Joel Parrish, x3470, Locklin 205.	Students applying after their first semester should have a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA	Midterm your first semester
Health Studies/teacher education or Health Studies/General	Physical Education and Health Education	Dr. Daryl Arroyo, x3279, HPER/Wellness Bldg. Rm. 125	Submit a change of major application form, along with a letter of application describing your interest in the major to Dr. Arroyo.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA. Minimum 2.75 GPA in designated professional courses (any EDUC, HLTH, MOSK, MOST, MSCI, PEAC, PEPC, or PHED).	Letters must be received by December 1 for acceptance for spring; April 1 for acceptance for fall.
History	Social Science	Prof. Herbert Zettl, x3213, Blake Hall 305	Submit standard change of major application form to Prof. Zettl.	No minimum requirements to apply for stand-alone HIST major. See below for HIST/secondary education.	Midterm your first semester
History & Education/Secondary Education Licensure	Social Science & Education	Prof. Zettl (see above) or Dr. Dan Zukergood, x3354, Locklin 306B.	Submit standard change of major application and transcript to Prof. Zettl and Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by Social Sciences and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Mathematics	Math/Physics/Computer Science	Dr. Peter Polito, x3313, Schoo-Bemis 118	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Polito.	Satisfactory high school background for first-semester students; 2.50 cumulative GPA and 2.50 GPA in MATH and CISC classes for students beyond first semester.	Midterm your first semester

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Mathematics & Education/Secondary Education Licensure	Math/Physics/Computer Science & Education	Dr. Peter Polito (see above) and Dr. Eileen Cyr, x3312, Locklin 305D	Submit standard change of major application form and transcript to Dr. Polito and Dr. Barkman.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by MPCS and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Mathematics & Computer Technology	Math/Physics/Computer Science	Dr. Peter Polito (see above)	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Polito.	Satisfactory high school background for first-semester students; 2.50 cumulative GPA and 2.50 GPA in MATH and CISC classes for students beyond first semester.	Midterm your first semester
Mathematics & Computer Technology & Education/Elementary and Special Education Licensure	Math/Physics/Computer Science & Education	Dr. Peter Polito (see above) and Dr. Eileen Cyr, x3312, Locklin 305D	Submit standard change of major application form and transcript to Dr. Polito and Dr. Barkman.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by MPCS and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Movement and Sports Studies/physical education teacher licensure or Movement and Sports Studies/general	Physical Education and Health Education	Dr. Daryl Arroyo, x3279, HPER/Wellness Bldg. Rm. 125	Submit a change of major application form, along with a letter of application describing your interest in the major to Dr. Arroyo.	Limited number of openings. Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA. Minimum 2.75 GPA in designated professional courses (any EDUC, HLTH, MOSK, MOST, MSC1, PEAC, PEPC, PHED). Additional desired qualification: instructional experience.	Letters must be received by December 1 for acceptance for spring; April 1 for acceptance for fall.
Occupational Therapy	OT is a graduate program, but undergraduates may enter the OT dual degree program as 1st or 2nd-year students. This allows them to complete their undergraduate major and the OT graduate degree in 5 years from entry to SC. For more information about options for undergraduate majors or an application packet, contact Dr. Joan Simmons, x3692, Allied Health 169 or Deborah Snyder, x3581,			Science and English grades in h.s. and college of B or better. Experience in human services work (volunteer or paid). Minimum combined SAT Critical Reading & Math score of 1000.	Midterm your first semester
Physical Therapy	Physical Therapy	Dr. Linda Tsoumas, x3545, Allied Health	Submit completed Dept. of Physical Therapy transfer application.	Limited openings, based on space availability. Minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA, precalculus or calculus background, enrollment in appropriate science courses, knowledge of PT profession. Must have completed a minimum of 8 s.h. of the required science coursework. High school record will also be reviewed. For more info, see the department's transfer application packet.	Applications must be received by March 15 for acceptance for fall.
Physician Assistant	Physician Assistant	Prof. Charles Milch, x3514, Blake Hall 163	Fill out departmental application. Call Gail Labelle at x3554 for application packet.	3.00 cumulative GPA and 3.00 science GPA required. References and shadowing/observation hours required. See application packet for more information.	Applications must be received by June 1 for acceptance for fall.

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Psychology	Psychology	Dr. Barbara Mandell (Undergraduate Program Coordinator), x3239, Locklin 320	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Mandell.	No minimum requirements to apply for stand-alone PSYC major. See below for PSYC/early childhood education.	Midterm your first semester
Psychology & Education/Early Childhood Education Licensure	Psychology & Education	Dr. Mandell (see above) and Dr. Mary Allen, x3356, Locklin 303B	Submit standard change of major application form and transcript to Dr. Mandell and Dr. Robert Barkman, x3734, Locklin 308B.	Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA; minimum 2.75 GPA in professional courses designated by Psychology and Education Departments.	End of your first semester
Recreation Management (including Camp Management and Therapeutic Recreation options)	Sport Management and Recreation	Dr. Matt Pantera, x3749, Blake Hall 108	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Pantera.	No minimum requirements to apply. At beginning of junior year, 2.5 GPA required to continue.	Midterm your first semester
Rehabilitation and Disability Studies	Rehabilitation and Disability Studies	Dr. Robert Hewes, x3769, Locklin 112 (or any dept. faculty advisor)	Submit standard change of major application form to Dr. Hewes.	No minimum requirements to apply for first-year students. Upper-level students should consult with Dr. Hewes about program standards.	Midterm your first semester
Sociology, Applied	Social Sciences	Dr. Laurel Davis-Delano, x3645, Blake Hall 313	Submit standard change of major application to Prof. Herb Zettl, x3213, Blake Hall 305.	No minimum requirements to apply.	Midterm your first semester
Sport Management	Sport Management and Recreation	Dr. Matt Pantera, x3749, Blake Hall 108	Submit letter of application, resume, and SC Web academic transcript to Dr. Pantera.	Very limited openings. Minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA required.	End of your first semester
Sports Biology	Chemistry/Biology	Dr. Julie Smist, x3382, Schoo-Bemis 216	Submit standard change of major application to Dr. Frank Torre, x3380, Schoo-Bemis 225.	Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.	End of your first semester
Youth Development	Social Science	Dr. Susan Joel, x3349, Blake Hall 312	Submit standard change of major application to Prof. Herb Zettl, x3213, Blake Hall 305.	No minimum requirements to apply.	Midterm your first semester