

Exploring Majors

Courses required for the first year: FYI/FYH sequence
Courses recommended for the first year: Learning Perspectives, Second Language
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Overview

A student coming into Augustana without a specific idea regarding a major has an opportunity to explore a variety of options while focussing on completing perspectives and moving towards graduation. It is recommended that you try courses that interest you and allow yourself to explore and learn.

Exploring who you are and how you want to live that out with and for others in the world is foundational to the Augustana experience. All students throughout the first year and beyond are able to take a variety of courses that will help them learn more about what their strengths are, where their passions and values diverge, and how they can "plug" into the world in meaningful ways for themselves and others.

Resources are available in CORE through the process of Vocational Exploration with Keri Bass. Appointments for one- on- one exploration may be made via Handshake. Additionally, each first year advisor is well equipped to explore options with you during one-on-one advising sessions.

Choosing Courses While Exploring

1. If you want to learn more about a subject, take a course that interests you.
2. Take a Learning Perspective course in something completely new!
3. If you are considering a **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering or Math) field,

- ❑ you should take CHEM 131 (General Chemistry) your first semester for the following majors

Majors Requiring <i>Chemistry</i> (CHEM 131)	
Biochemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Nursing • Pre-Dentistry • Pre-Medicine • Pre-Optometry • Pre-Pharmacy • Pre-Physical Therapy • Pre-Physician Assistant • Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Biology	
Chemistry	
Engineering Physics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemical Engineering only 	
Physics	

- ❑ you should take a Math course your first semester for the following majors

Majors Requiring <i>Math</i> Math Placement	
Biochemistry	Engineering Physics
Chemistry	Physics
Computer Science	Pre-health (pre-calculus level only) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Medicine • Pre-Pharmacy • Pre-Physical Therapy
Data Analytics	
Engineering	

Note: If you are not considering these majors, you do not need MATH until you choose your major.