

MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR FIRST APPOINTMENT

Going to college is a life-changing experience and one of the biggest decisions you'll make. If you're like most of our students, you've got questions about attending New College. One of the best ways you can get answers quickly is to meet with an admission counselor, in person or by phone. To help, we've created this easy-to-follow guide that will save time by preparing you to make the most of your first meeting.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS?

Your admission counselor will talk through all of the questions that most students have when deciding to go back to college.

1. Which degree is right for me?

Adult students at St. Edward's are able to get where they want to go quickly because New College offers several options for completing a degree. Your admission counselor will discuss the different options and help you decide which degree is best given your interests, background and goals.

2. Will I even have time to attend classes?

New College was designed just for adult students who have family or work commitments. So our flexible class schedules make it possible for you to fit college into your busy life. In addition to evening and weekend classes, we offer online learning opportunities for select courses.

3. How long will it take to complete a degree?

Most New College students complete their degree in 3–4 years. However, you could complete your degree in as little as 18 months, if you can fit more classes into your schedule. Plus, you can shortcut degree completion through one of our work/life credit options. So, be sure to ask about our portfolio program and credit by exam.

4. Can I afford to go back to school?

We realize that cost is a major factor in your decision to go back to school. That's why we've developed ways to make our valuable education more affordable. From payment plans to low-interest loans, we'll help you find ways to make college easier on your wallet. And, we can also look at ways that you can earn credit based on cost.

3 EASY STEPS TO PREPARE ...

1. Think about the subjects that interest you.

Since New College offers a full range of undergraduate degrees and majors, there are many subjects that you can study. Review the majors listed below and mark those that interest you most. You can also choose from our daytime majors, if that fits your schedule. Just ask your counselor about your area of interest.

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| <input type="radio"/> Computer Systems Management | <input type="radio"/> Organizational Communication |
| <input type="radio"/> Criminal Justice | <input type="radio"/> Organizational Leadership |
| <input type="radio"/> English | <input type="radio"/> Philosophy |
| <input type="radio"/> History | <input type="radio"/> Psychology |
| <input type="radio"/> Human Services | <input type="radio"/> Public Safety Management |
| <input type="radio"/> Individualized | <input type="radio"/> Accounting |
| | <input type="radio"/> Business/Management |

2. Think about when you can attend class.

We know you're busy. We also know that people learn differently. That's why New College offers classes at night, and some Saturday classes are also available.

When are you able to take classes? (*Check all that apply.*)

Daytime Evening Saturdays

Would I consider taking online classes?

Yes No

3. Look at all of the learning you've already done.

There are different ways to earn credit toward your degree in New College. You may be able to save time and money while finishing your degree and get credit for what you've already done. Review the following questions — your answers may help you complete your degree sooner than you think you can.

- Have you earned credits from other schools? If so, get us transcripts (official or unofficial are accepted at this stage) from all of the schools that you have attended.
- Are you comfortable taking exams for credit?
- Do you have previous work experience that might translate into college credit, such as preparing financial statements or public speaking? Think about what you've learned from these life experiences:
 - Jobs and work-related training
 - Military service
 - Certifications
 - Travel and hobbies
 - Volunteer work

Getting started is easier than you think. Now that you're ready for your first appointment, contact us to schedule one at 512-448-8717 or seu.newcollege@stedwards.edu.