



# Supporting the New Student Academic Experience

Undergraduate Academic Advising is an important resource for students to consult throughout their undergraduate experience. In the slides that follow, please find some details about how our team engages with students and how you can help support your student's academic journey.

# Undergraduate Academic Advising Model

All students are assigned a professional academic advisor just prior to their Bentley enrollment. The student's academic advisor is a designated resource for questions about course planning, major selection, academic challenges, etc. This is a partnership in which both the student and the advisor work together to meet the student's objectives.



## First Year

**Professional Advisor**  
**Falcon Discovery Seminar (FDS100) – Peer Leader/Faculty**  
Staff/Faculty  
(connections)



## Second Year

**Professional Advisor**  
Staff/Faculty  
(connections/mentors)



## Third Year

**Professional Advisor**  
Staff/Faculty  
(connections/mentors)



## Fourth Year

**Professional Advisor**  
Staff/Faculty  
(connections/mentors)

### Transfer Students

**Transfer Seminar (TS222) - Transfer Facilitator/Instructor - Professional Academic Advisor**

# Academic Advising Resources

## Email

- to assigned advisor or our GA account ([UndergraduateAdvising@bentley.edu](mailto:UndergraduateAdvising@bentley.edu))
- for basic questions/information
- allow one business day for a response
- best for: simple and straight-forward questions

## Drop-ins

- 10 minute advising sessions
- Weekdays
- typically staffed by a Peer Advisor
- best for: quick or time-sensitive questions without an appointment

## Appointments

- up to 30 minutes
- more in-depth discussion/planning
- with assigned academic advisor or another professional advisor
- best for: more complex discussions, long-range academic planning

## Student Success newsletter

- published monthly in fall & spring semesters
- emailed to all students

## Programs & Events

- posted at <https://www.bentley.edu/offices/academic-services/programs-and-events>
- PopUp Advising, study abroad long-range planning, FDS 100 group advising, and more

## Academic Calendar

- key dates & deadlines throughout the academic year
- posted at <https://www.bentley.edu/offices/registrar/academic-calendars>

## Academic Catalogue

- posted at <https://www.bentley.edu/offices/academic-services/undergraduate-academic-services>
- catalogue year is critical

## Social Media

- Instagram: @bentleyadvising

# Curriculum Overview

General curriculum requirements include:

- **core classes**  
 Foundations for Success  
 Context & Perspectives  
 Business Dynamics  
 Business Environment *for business majors*
- **majors** comprised of 8-11 classes
- Arts & Science and Unrestricted **electives**  
*# and type of electives vary by major*
- 1-2 **intensive** requirements

## B.S. UNDECLARED BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION MINOR

2024-2025

Foundation for Success <sup>1</sup>			5 courses
FDS100	Falcon Discovery Seminar		3 cr.
CS100	Solving Business Problems with Information Technology		3 cr.
MA 105, 105L or 107, 107L, 131, 131L	Mathematical Sciences		3 cr.
EMS 101, 101L or 102, 102L	Critical Reading and Writing		3 cr.
EMS104 or EMS105	Multimodal Communication		3 cr.

Example of an 8 courses major <sup>1,2,3</sup>			8 courses
			3 cr.
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Business Dynamics <sup>1</sup>			6 courses
LA100	Business Law <sup>+,^</sup>		3 cr.
EC111	Principles of Microeconomics <sup>+,^</sup>		3 cr.
ST113	Business Statistics <sup>+,^</sup>		3 cr.
AC115	Financial Reporting and Analysis <sup>+,^</sup>		3 cr.
MG116	Human Dynamics in Organizations <sup>+,^</sup>		3 cr.
FI118	Introduction to Finance <sup>+,^</sup>		3 cr.

The Business Environment <sup>1</sup>			2 courses
CS305	Business Processes and Systems <sup>^</sup>		3 cr.
MG300	Strategic Management <sup>^</sup>		3 cr.

Context & Perspectives <sup>1</sup>			6 courses
<i>See notes on page two</i>			
<b>Institutions and Power</b>			
			3 cr.
<b>Values, Ethics and Society</b>			
			3 cr.
<b>Scientific Inquiry</b>			
			3 cr.
<b>Race, Gender and Inequality</b>			
			3 cr.
<b>Culture, Change, and Behavior</b>			
			3 cr.
<b>Globalization</b>			
			3 cr.

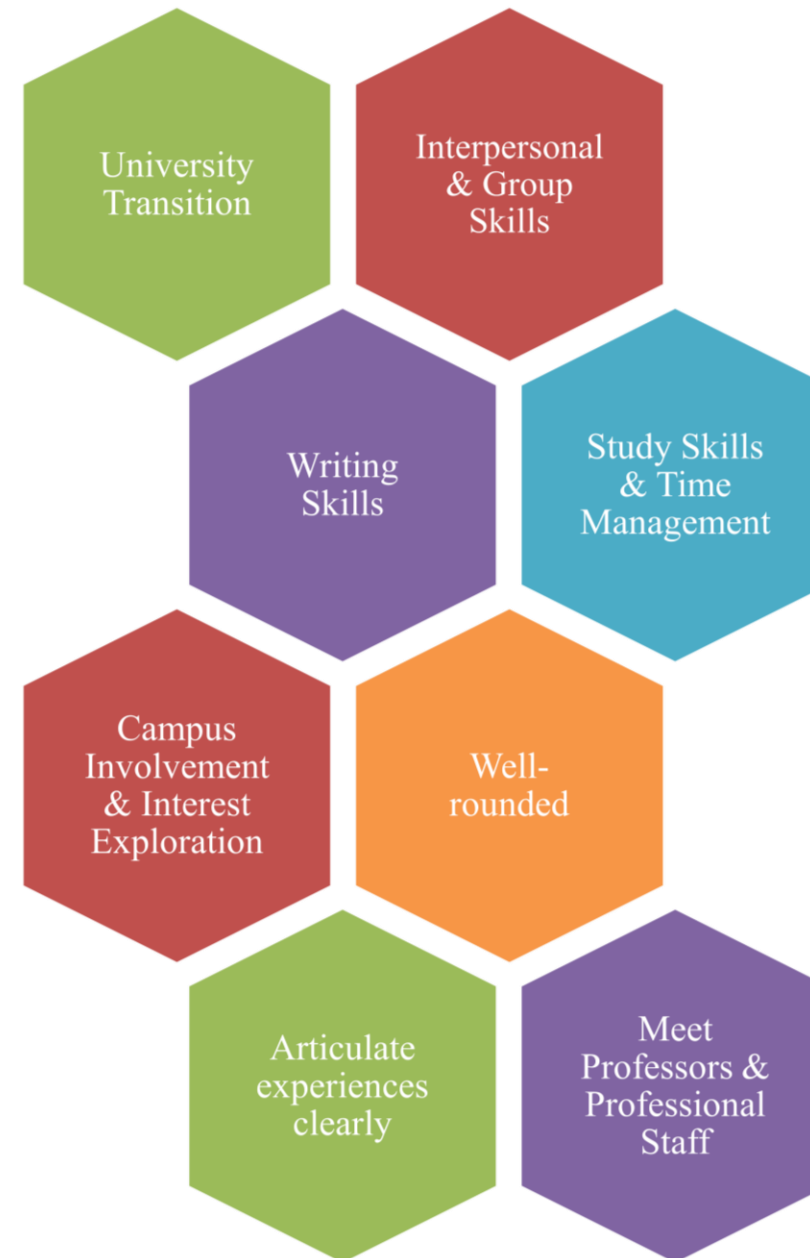
Elective Requirements <sup>4</sup>			13 courses
	Arts & Science Elective		3 cr.
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Intensive Requirements		
Communication		
Communication in Major		

For details specific to each major, please review the [Degree Requirement Summary](#) (DRS) that aligns with the student's catalogue year. catalogue year = student's first term at Bentley

# Academic Success in the First Year

A student's first year of college is filled with adjustment and exciting new opportunities. This transition and acclimation extends to academics, co-curricular, and lifestyle. Here are a few key milestones for a student's first year at Bentley.



# Academic Support

If a student is finding a particular class to be difficult, they are encouraged to:

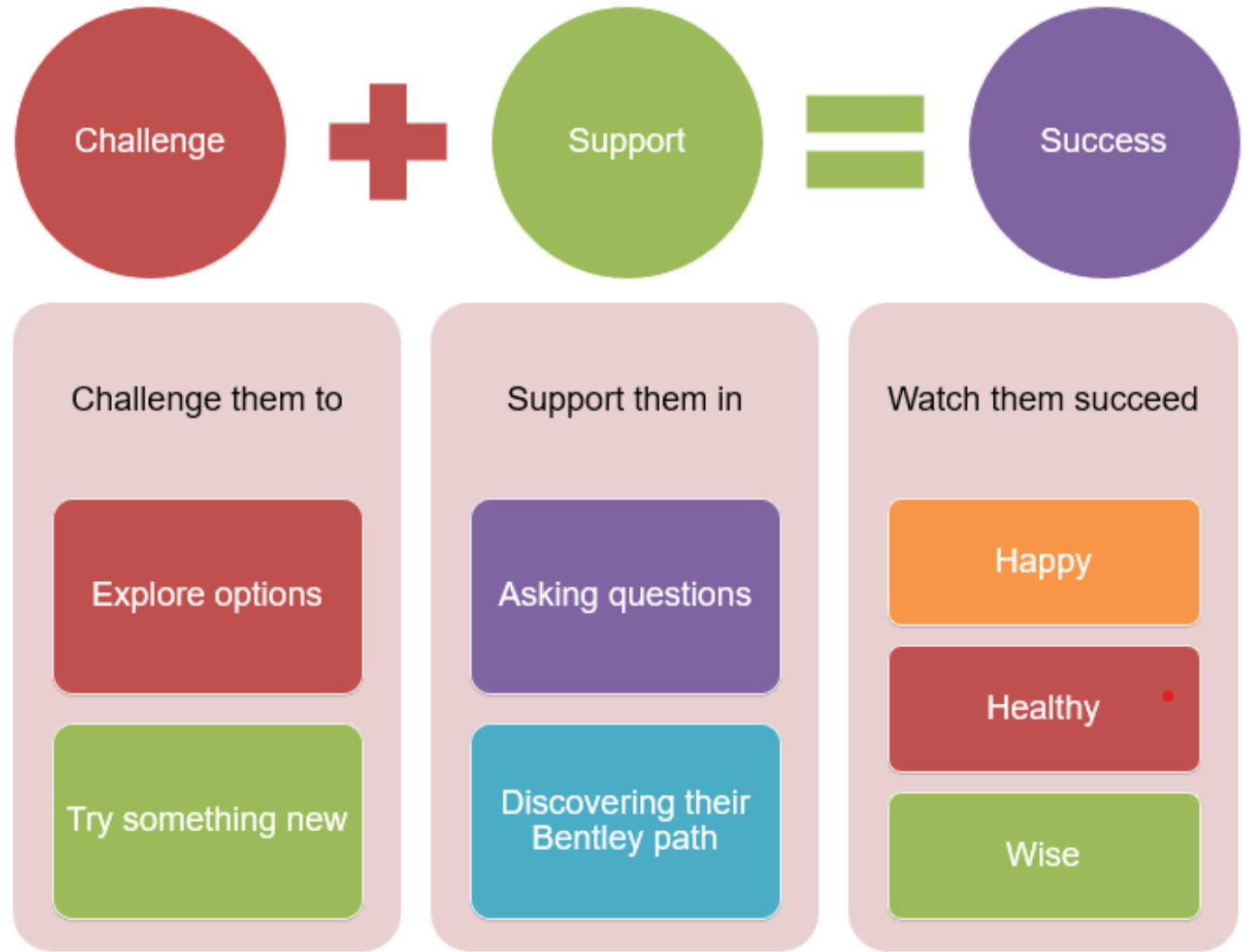
- First, talk with their professor via office hours or email.
- Students are also encouraged to visit the corresponding [Learning Center](#) (if applicable).
  - Learning Center assistance is available for subjects including writing, math, accounting, economics, finance, modern languages, and computer information systems.
- If additional support is needed, students can request a peer tutor through the Office of Student Success.

Academic advisors are available as a resource for students at each step.



# Helping Your Student

In addition to specific approaches that may be unique to your student, we generally find the following model to be an effective way for family members to support their students during the undergraduate experience:



We look forward to being a resource for your student, helping them define and work toward their academic goals at Bentley.