

Undeclared

HARTWICK COLLEGE
Know the Facts.



The Hartwick Difference

*Are you uncertain of which major is right for you?
Do you have many interests and aren't sure which one to commit yourself to?
Are you undecided about what you want to do after college?*

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, *you are not alone*. And, more importantly, being uncertain of what you want to major in *does not need to be a problem*. In recent years, as many as 40 percent of incoming students at Hartwick were undecided about their major, and nearly 50 percent of Hartwick students change their major at least once before graduation. Many high-achieving high school students come to college without having settled on a major because they have several fields of interest and are not ready to select just one. It makes you no less serious about your education, and it places no limits on your chances for success in college or beyond.

For students who plan to explore various majors before settling on one, where they go to college matters a lot. Exploration requires an open environment, and it requires experienced people ready to sit down and help you. Hartwick faculty and staff are eager to help students think through their options and make good choices about their education and future. When you enroll at Hartwick, you will be assigned an advisor who will talk with you about your goals, plans, and interests, and about the opportunities at Hartwick that suit you. Hartwick's Office of Advising & Registration (OAR) and Office of Career Development & Education have experienced staff members who can help you think about your academic choices and career direction. When you get to Hartwick, you will find faculty and staff who are willing to help you. Knock on the door of a faculty or staff member to find someone happy to talk to you about how to shape your college education and your future.

Explore, Gain Experience, Get Advice (and Reflect)

To make the right decision about a major, you need to develop yourself as a person, explore different courses, and go beyond the classroom in gaining experience and insight into who you are and what you want to do. The best thing you can do is get to know your advisor(s), your professors, staff members at Hartwick's Office of Career Development & Education, the Office of Advising & Registration, and the many other members of the Hartwick community who can help you in your search. You do not have to find your way completely on your own. *Talk with people*.

Office of Advising and Registration and the Office of Career Development & Education. These two offices offer multiple programs, services, and resources for undeclared students. Career Services houses personal assessment tools and resources that can help connect different majors to particular careers, and OAR offers focused advice about how to find the major (or majors) that are right for you. Throughout the school year, programs such as the Binghamton Job Shadow Program and Spotlight on Majors are available to students looking to explore their many options. OAR offers undeclared advising and a mini library of information and forums to help students explore various majors and publishes an Exploratory Toolbox, guides, and alumni references to help students with their decision. Part of the advising process is to assist students in choosing appropriate coursework that fulfills both their interests and their curricular requirements.

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888-HARTWICK (888-427-8942).

Our *Liberal Arts in Practice* Curriculum Helps in Your Search

The liberal arts tradition suggests that it is practical to follow your passions. Developing a passion for an academic pursuit is facilitated by the requirements of our Liberal Arts in Practice Curriculum, through which each student, regardless of major, is required to study a broad array of subjects across the three academic divisions of the College (Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Physical and Life Sciences). While deciding on a major, a student can work to fulfill these general education requirements and gain valuable experience and insight into the majors of the college.

The Options Are Many: Do What *You Want* to Do

Hartwick offers 30 majors in the arts, humanities, and the natural and social sciences, and if you can't decide on just one major, you can pursue two or more majors or develop your own Individual Student Program. Students also have a choice of four pre-professional areas and more than 35 possible minors for further areas of emphasis.

As you ponder your decision regarding a major, realize that your choice of academic major does not limit the career fields you can enter. The door to many careers will be open to you once you have established yourself as a successful student.

Hartwick's Individual Student Program May Be Right for You

If you realize that existing majors will not satisfy your interests, you have the option of designing your own area of study through Hartwick's Individual Student Program. Working closely with an advisor, you can combine courses from different programs to develop an individualized major that matches your interests. Pursuing an ISP requires approval from the ISP Committee; generally a semester-long process. For more information visit www.hartwick.edu/isp.xml.

Majors

Accounting
Anthropology
Art
Art History
Biochemistry
Biology
Business Administration
Chemistry
Computer Science
Economics
English
Environmental Chemistry
French
Geology
German
History
Information Science
Mathematics
Medical Technology
Music
Music Education
Nursing
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Religious Studies
Sociology
Spanish
Theatre Arts

Special Programs

Education
23 teacher certification programs in Childhood (1st-6th grade), Middle Childhood (5th-9th grade), and Adolescent (8th-12th grade) in English, Languages, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Sciences; K-12
Certification in Music and Art
Honors Program
Individual Student Program (self-designed major)

Pre-Professional Programs

Pre-Allied Health
Pre-Engineering
Pre-Law
Pre-Medicine

Cooperative Programs

4+1 Business/MBA Program with Union University, Clarkson University, and the Simon Graduate School of Business at the University of Rochester

3+2 and 4+1 Engineering Programs with Clarkson University and Columbia University
3+3 Law Program with Albany Law School
Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy M.A./Ph.D. Program with Sage Graduate School

Minors

Cognitive Science
Documentary Photography
Environmental Science & Policy
Finance
Graphic Communications
Latin American & Caribbean Studies
Museum Studies
U.S. Ethnic Studies
Women's and Gender Studies
Writing

Minors also are available in almost all majors.

One Last Thing

While you are here at Hartwick, have fun! Don't worry about finding a major that will get you that "perfect job." *Your major does not get you that job; you do.* Take time to explore the many classes available to you. Join clubs, teams, and other organizations. Spend your evenings and weekends going to plays, music recitals, art exhibits, films, and sporting events. Learn with and from the people around you.