

How to Use this Guide

This guide is meant to offer advice on courses to take in the first year of college in order to progress towards a degree for new students at UNC Asheville, or their advisors. Completing a degree will require completion of both the Integrative Liberal Studies (ILS) curriculum as well as major requirements set by the department you choose to declare a major in.

Please [read the general plan first](#). This has information on 100-level requirements for ILS. Then you may review the section on your intended major. Designing your first-year plan will likely consist of beginning with the recommendations under your major, and then adding any and all ILS courses that you feel comfortable taking in your first year.

Ethics and Social Institutions

The major in Ethics and Social Institutions is housed by the Interdisciplinary Studies program. In order for a student to major in ESI, they will have to develop a program of study that is approved by the coordinator of ESI. Students interested in pursuing this major should meet with the coordinator of ESI as soon as possible to plan out a course of study. Students are also advised to sign up for ESI 101: Introduction to Ethics and Social Institutions (3) in the Fall semester. It is both an introduction to the ESI concept and also a course in the applied ethics cluster.