

Lessons Learned: Student Planning & Degree Maps

1. When you request a review from your advisor, make sure you've actually planned out a schedule (e.g. placed courses on your plan) for the upcoming term or semester. Also make sure to write your advisor a note and let them know what you're asking them to do when you click "Request Review."
2. If you are unsure how to plan a schedule or how to navigate Student Planning in general, visit <http://www.troy.edu/records/studentplanning.html> or come by the Office of the Registrar and we'll be glad to assist you.
3. Make sure there are no holds on your account before you attempt to register. If you do have a hold, you will be unable to register.
4. When an advisor hold has been placed on your account, the hold is not removed just because you have requested a review. You still must contact your advisor to have this hold removed.
5. You are required to register yourself for courses. Departmental Secretaries are only available for registration assistance (e.g. exceptions and overrides).
6. You are not fully registered until you click the register button and all your courses turn **GREEN!**
7. If you have any trouble with registration (e.g. any of your courses don't turn green, you have a prerequisite issue, etc.), contact your advisor immediately.
8. Just because you've placed a course or courses on your plan, does not mean a seat has been held for you in that course or courses, nor does it mean you are on a "waiting list." That only means you are "planning" to take that course or courses. The course/s could potentially become full before you register.
9. If you are working from a Degree Map, don't worry if you aren't/haven't taken each course at the exact time/placement it says to on the map (unless you are in a very specific degree program such as AT or Nursing). As long as you get the requirements/prerequisites completed within the year, you'll stay on track. It's more of a guideline; like any good map, its intended goal is the fastest track to graduation.