

## COMPREHENSIVE ACADEMIC PLAN

The Grinnell College curriculum gives each student responsibility for planning an individual course of study in the liberal arts. The Grinnell College Comprehensive Plan is an important document that explains the special design of your program.

Before you declare your major, please consult with the faculty member who has agreed to serve as your new adviser. Review the courses you have already completed. Then, complete a 100-200 word rationale (Part I) evaluating your liberal arts education to date and setting goals for the remaining semesters. Finally, list courses already taken and planned (Part II) to show how you intend to meet the goals set out in your rationale.

We understand that this academic plan will inevitably require some alteration as course offerings change, or if you later change your plans for off-campus study, a second major, a concentration, accelerated graduation, etc.

In the seventh semester, you will receive a request from the Registrar to review and evaluate your entire course of study. This revised rationale will not be required, but many seniors will want to demonstrate how their ideas have grown and developed since the original plan was written. The Senior Statement (or the original rationale) will become a part of your permanent internal academic record. You may use it when seeking to be considered for honors or awards, or when requesting letters of recommendation. In addition, you may choose to have the Senior Statement added to your credentials file at the Career Development Office.

**Part I. Rationale** - Please write below a 100-200 word rationale evaluating your liberal arts education to date and stating your goals for the remaining semesters of study.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II. Four-Year Course Plan** List the courses you have completed and the courses you intend to take in order to fulfill the goals set forth in Part I.

FALL SEMESTER			SPRING SEMESTER		
Depart/Course #	Title	Crs	Depart/Course #	Title	Crs
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>			<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>		
1	_____		1	_____	
2	_____		2	_____	
3	_____		3	_____	
4	_____		4	_____	
5	_____		5	_____	
6	_____		6	_____	
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Semester</b>			<b>4<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>		
1	_____		1	_____	
2	_____		2	_____	
3	_____		3	_____	
4	_____		4	_____	
5	_____		5	_____	
6	_____		6	_____	
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>			<b>6<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>		
1	_____		1	_____	
2	_____		2	_____	
3	_____		3	_____	
4	_____		4	_____	
5	_____		5	_____	
6	_____		6	_____	
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>			<b>8<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>		
1	_____		1	_____	
2	_____		2	_____	
3	_____		3	_____	
4	_____		4	_____	
5	_____		5	_____	
6	_____		6	_____	

List additional academic work that will count toward your undergraduate degree, such as summer research, transfer credits, and AP/IB credits. \_\_\_\_\_

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