

ROCKY'S RESOURCES: HOW TO...

USE THE EIGHT-SEMESTER PLAN

USF is committed to helping its students graduate in four years or less. Here's a great resource to guide you through your USF experience and manage your courses appropriately.



WHAT IS THE EIGHT-SEMESTER PLAN?

The eight-semester plan is a resource provided to students by the **Office of Undergraduate Studies**. It allows you to select your major and concentration from a list and view a hypothetical plan of what classes you should take throughout the recommended eight semesters. The idea of the plan is that you should complete your major in approximately four years, equaling eight semesters.



HOW CAN I ACCESS THE EIGHT-SEMESTER PLAN?

The eight-semester plan is offered through the Undergraduate Studies. Copy the link to access it! <http://ugs.usf.edu/eight-semester-plans/>



WHAT DO I DO WITH THE PLAN?

Review it with your family and Academic Advisor prior to course registration.



WHY IS THE EIGHT-SEMESTER PLAN IMPORTANT?

The eight-semester plan is almost like an academic budget. It ensures you won't run into trouble with the **Excess Credit Hour Surcharge**. The Excess Credit Hour Surcharge is a "state mandated fee that requires universities to add a surcharge to each credit hour that is more than 110% of hours needed for completion of your degree or 132 hours for 120 credit hour degree programs." This policy means you're paying tuition and a half for your classes. For example, if you have already completed 132 credit hours, and you're taking a class that costs \$250, then the Excess Credit Hour Surcharge policy would mean you're paying \$375 for that class!



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