

MAJOR EVALUATION WORKSHEET

Current Major Information

Use the Ball State catalog (bsu.edu/catalog) and DegreeWorks (my.bsu.edu) to complete the information below.

Current major: _____

Does my major have grade/GPA requirements?

_____ Yes:

_____ No

Does my current GPA match that required (if applicable) for my current major?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Does my major have application/exam(s)/portfolio/audition requirements?

_____ Yes:

_____ No

Am I currently “on track” regarding major course requirements?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Use the online resources like www.onetonline.org, bigfuture.collegeboard.org, bsu.edu/majors to complete the information below:

Am I currently in the right major for my career path?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Are there other majors that lead to the same career path?

_____ Yes:

_____ No

Online Career/Major Assessment Completion

Discuss with your academic advisor an appropriate online assessment. Complete one (or both) below.

_____ Complete the Career Center’s KEY Careers online self-assessment. Login to KEY Careers (bsu.edu/keycareers) with your Ball State username and password. The online experience walks you through effective career decision-making, while also allowing you to explore many career and major opportunities.

_____ Take the Focus II exam. Go to bsu.edu/advising/focus2, create a username and password, and enter the access code “cards”. This program helps in choosing from majors offered at Ball State by assessing your personality, leisure interests, values, and skills.

Assessment Results

Discuss your “results” with your academic advisor and/or career coach.

_____ Go online to AdvisorTrac to schedule an appointment with your academic advisor. Login to MyBSU and click on AdvisorTrac (located under “additional tools”).

_____ Call 765-285-1522 or stop by the Career Center in Lucina Hall 220 to schedule an appointment with your career coach. .

Do my interest and skills match those required for my current major?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Do my passions and values match my current major?

_____ Yes

_____ No

What are some possible alternate majors/careers?

What are career opportunities within these majors?

Exploring Other Majors/Careers

- _____ **Job shadow** someone in the professional field. Ask your career coach (Career Center, LU 220, 765-285-1522) for potential contacts.
- _____ **Meet with a faculty member** to discuss major options. See bsu.edu/majors or request contact information from your academic advisor.
- _____ **Attend a student organization** meeting related to the interest area. Get contact information through BennyLink online: bsu.campuslabs.com/engage/.
- _____ **Plan to take an introductory course** in the interest area next semester. Your academic advisor can provide you with appropriate options.

New Major Information

Use the online Ball State catalog (bsu.edu/catalog) and DegreeWorks (my.bsu.edu) to complete the information below.

New major: _____

Does the new major have grade/GPA requirements?

_____ Yes:

_____ No

Does my current GPA match that required (if applicable) for the new major?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Does the new major have application/exam(s)/portfolio/audition requirements?

_____ Yes:

_____ No

Am I currently “on track” regarding major course requirements?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Next Steps

_____ Meet with your academic advisor to declare a new major and discuss future course work and program requirements. Advising appointments can be made online through AdvisorTrac. Go to MyBSU and click on AdvisorTrac (located under “additional tools”).

_____ Or meet with your academic advisor to discuss strategies for success and next steps within your current major. Advising appointments can be made online through AdvisorTrac. Go to MyBSU and click on AdvisorTrac (located under “additional tools”).