

# My BHC Plan



Name \_\_\_\_\_

ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Projected Graduation Date (semester/year) \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Name \_\_\_\_\_

(e-mail) \_\_\_\_\_

(phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Attach Advisor's business card here

## What Am I Doing At Black Hawk College?

### My Major

Check major in myBlackHawk transcript

### My Career Goal

### My Transfer Goal (if applicable)

Where?

When?

## Student Know-how

### Finding Information

- I know how to check my midterm grades
- I know how to check my final grades/transcript
- I know how to find my grade point average (GPA)
- I know how to contact my professors and advisor
- I know how to locate my program of study requirements
- I know how to find out how I am doing in class

### Planning Ahead

- I know how to drop a class
- If I am receiving Financial Aid (grants and/or loans), I know my responsibilities in meeting its eligibility criteria (GPA of 2.0 or higher and 67% completion rate)
- I know to keep my syllabi for all classes each semester
- I know how to use Degree Audit to plan my degree (see information below)

### Accessing Student Services

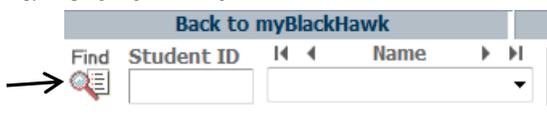
- I know that I should see an advisor every semester
- I know how to get help choosing a major/career
- I know that I can talk to a counselor if I am overwhelmed
- I know how to request accommodations if I have a physical or learning disability
- I know how to get involved in campus activities which will help me to gain leadership experience and "real world" skills
- I know where the Tutoring Center is located

### Personal Success

- I know what I need to do to balance my school, work and life
- I have done personal and educational goal setting

## Degree Audit Instructions (Find my degree requirements in 10 steps)

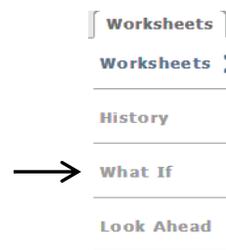
1. Login to myBlackHawk
2. Click on the "Student" tab
3. Scroll down the page and click on Degree Audit
4. Click on "Find"



5. Type your Student ID number and click "Search"



6. Click "OK" under your name (should be check-marked)



To see what you would need if you change your major

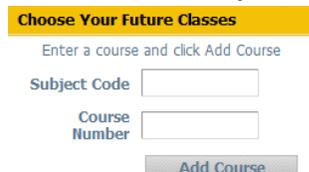
- 7) Choose catalog year and major

- 8) Click on the "What if.." option on the left side of the screen

- 9) Click on "Save as PDF" and get printable plan



- 10) You may also see how the courses you plan to take will work toward this program



## 6 Goal-Setting Strategy Tips

My Strategy

My Approach

### Write My Goals Down

Make Goals Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Time Bound (SMART)

"I will study, prepare, read or research 2 hours for every 1 hour class."

### Watch Your Goals. Daily. Make Goal Setting A Habit

Keep reminding yourself of your goals. It will keep you moving forward. Use academic planners, electronic reminders, and talk about your goals constantly

"Doing homework means completing the course successfully, which will allow me to graduate and work in my field."

### It takes time for a change to become an established habit.

It will probably take a couple of months before any changes — like getting up half an hour early to exercise - become a routine part of your life. That's because your brain needs time to get used to the idea that this new thing you're doing is part of your regular routine.

"I know it is hard now, but I will be patient with myself while I learn this new routine of studying and going to class. I will make a schedule that includes my study time and personal life."

### Pleasing other people doesn't work.

The key to making any change is to find the desire within yourself — you have to do it because you want it, not because a girlfriend, boyfriend, coach, parent, or someone else wants you to.

"My goal is MY goal – not someone else's. I want this for MY future! My goal is \_\_\_\_\_. I want to achieve this goal because\_\_\_\_\_."

### Roadblocks don't mean failure.

Consider roadblocks "learning opportunities!" Remember that everyone slips up and don't beat yourself up about it. Just remind yourself to get back on track.

"I may not have done as well as I had planned, but I will do what it takes to get back on track. I can ask for help if I need it. I can take the following steps to get back on track: \_\_\_\_\_."

## My Goal Timeline (by Credit Hour)

### By Completion of 0-15 credits, I should have...

T = Applies to Transfer Major  
C = Applies to Career Major

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|----|--------------------------|---|
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attended New Stars  |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Completed an online orientation                                   |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Met with an advisor to create an academic plan                    |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Read BHC catalog and Student Handbook                             |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Received my student ID card/money card                            |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Explored entire campus  |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Found or visited Tutoring Center                                  |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Read through my syllabi for all classes                           |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Had transcripts from other colleges sent to BHC                   |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Started any required developmental courses                        |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Requested help with career decision-making or choosing a major    |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Planned ahead with advisor to make transferring of courses smooth |

### By Completion of 15-30 credits, I should have...

T = Applies to Transfer Major  
C = Applies to Career Major

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|----|--------------------------|---|
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Met with my advisor for academic plan updates   |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Narrowed down (or declared) my major  |
| C  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Researched career options   |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Researched transfer schools   |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Had previous college transcript officially evaluated  |
| C  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Talked to my instructors about my career program  |
| C  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Worked on my resume (visit Career Services)   |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Considered whether my major is offered at the transfer school                                 |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Determined whether I want to transfer to a local transfer school or if am willing to relocate |

### By Completion 30-45 credits, I should have...

T = Applies to Transfer Major  
C = Applies to Career Major

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|----|--------------------------|---|
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Met with my advisor for academic plan updates                           |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Declared my major or completed change of major form                     |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Selected two or three transfer schools                                  |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Visited transfer school to decide if it fits me and if I fit the school |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Retaken courses for GPA purposes  |
| C  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Completed my resume   |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Applied early for scholarships and financial aid to transfer school     |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attended "Admission on the Spot"  |

### By Completion of 45-64+ credits, I should have...

T = Applies to Transfer Major  
C = Applies to Career Major

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|----|--------------------------|---|
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Met with my advisor to prepare for my graduation  |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Applied to my selected (2-3) transfer schools     |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attended "Admission on the Spot"                  |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Had my BHC transcript sent to transfer schools    |
| T  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Made a plan to finance remaining college expenses |
| C  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Begun my job search (visit Career Services)       |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | Applied for graduation                            |
| TC | <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>GRADUATE!</b>                                  |

*Note: Certificate programs have fewer credit hours. Work with an advisor to determine your specific time line.*