ACADEMIC ADVISING QUESTIONNAIRE

Part of the academic experience at Westmont College is working closely with your faculty academic advisor. Your academic advisor is trained to guide you through your degree requirements, offer advice and suggestions on career planning, and support all of your endeavors here. The information you provide below will assist the Registrar’s Office in more thoughtfully matching you with an academic advisor.

It will also help your academic advisor prepare to better assist you as you work together. Advisors are assigned based on numerous factors, including academic and extra-curricular interest. All of our advisors are trained to work with all students, regardless of potential major. You will meet with your new academic advisor during New Student Orientation week.

Please complete this form and email it to registrar@westmont.edu.

Full Name (First & Last):

Names of friends attending Westmont College:

1. What subject(s) did you most enjoy studying in high school? Were you academically successful in these areas?

2. What subject(s) did you least enjoy studying in high school? Did you struggle with the subject matter?

3. Did you study in a traditional high school environment? Home school? A non-U.S. school? Please describe:

4. What led you to choose Westmont College? Please check all that apply:
   ___ Size ___ Financial Assistance/Scholarships ___ Academic Offerings
   ___ Location ___ Social Opportunities ___ Faculty/Student Ratio
   ___ Religious Affiliation ___ Reputation ___ Athletics
   ___ Grad School Prep ___Other: ________________________________

5. What are your top potential major interests (rank your top 3 or select “Undecided”)?
   ___ Art ___ Art History ___ Biology
   ___ Chemistry ___ Communication Studies ___ Computer Science
   ___ Economics & Business ___ Engineering Physics ___ English
   ___ Eng-Modern Languages ___ European Studies ___ French
   ___ History ___ Kinesiology ___ Liberal Studies
   ___ Mathematics ___ Music ___ Philosophy
   ___ Physics ___ Political Science ___ Psychology
   ___ Religious Studies ___ Social Science ___ Sociology
   ___ Spanish ___ Theatre Arts ___ Undecided
6. Do you have an interest in a minor? Y / N
   __ Art    __ Kinesiology
   __ Biology    __ Mathematics
   __ Chemistry    __ Music
   __ Communication Studies    __ Philosophy
   __ Computer Science    __ Physics
   __ Economics & Business    __ Political Science
   __ Engineering Physics    __ Psychology
   __ English    __ Religious Studies
   __ French    __ Sociology/Anthropology
   __ History    __ Spanish
   __ Interdisciplinary Studies    __ Theatre Arts

7. Would you be interested in attending a session designed to help you explore your major options? __Yes __No

8. On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you assess your strengths and challenges in the following areas with a 1 being your weakest area and 10 being your strongest area?
   a. Writing:
   b. Quantitative Skills (Numerical/Mathematical skills):
   c. Oral Expression:
   d. Study Habits:
   e. Exam Preparation:
   f. Time Management:

9. Do you expect that you will need help with your study skills during your first year at Westmont College? __Yes __No
   If “yes,” Please specify:
   __ Writing Skills    __ Quantitative Skills    __ Time Management Skills
   __ Exam Prep Skills    __ Reading Skills    __ Study Habits
   __ Note-taking Skills    __ Organizational Skills
   __ Other:

10. From the list below, please indicate any areas you think might be a source of concern for you during your first year at Westmont College (check all that apply):
    __ I don’t expect any problems    __ Developing a good schedule
    __ Paying for college    __ Maintaining high grades
    __ Making friends    __ Getting through college in four years
    __ Handling the academic workload    __ Living with a roommate
    __ Being away from home    __ Finding ways to be socially involved
    __ Choosing a Major    __ Finding my own purposes or goals
11. Please describe how you like to spend your time, and what activities outside of school have been particularly valuable or enjoyable to you (i.e. volunteer work, paid work experience, etc.).
12. Do you have any special skills or talents you would like to further develop while at Westmont College?
13. List any extracurricular activities you plan to pursue while at Westmont College:
14. If you are interested in studying off-campus, would you like your experience to include:
   __ Experience another culture          __ Study in an urban environment
   __ Homestay                          __ Stay in hotels & hostels
   __ Study a foreign language         __ English speaking in an international setting
   __ Internship                        __ Westmont hosted
   __ Travel with a group              __ Stay in a remote environment
   __ Stay in the U.S.                  __ Travel internationally

   (For more information on Westmont College’s Off-Campus Programs, click here).
15. Are you a first generation college student, that is, you are in the first generation of your family to go to college? Do you have other siblings in college?

16. If you are a transfer student, please list your previous institution, reasons for leaving that institution, and why you feel Westmont College can better meet your academic needs:

Thank you for taking the time to respond thoughtfully to these questions. Please return this form by July 31 to registrar@westmont.edu.