

Dear first semester Biology Majors,

To ensure that all first-time freshmen Biology Majors receive adequate advising before Spring 2010, we have placed an advising hold on your student account, which will prevent you from registering during any registration period, including First Pass. Once you meet with your advisor and the advisor notifies the Biology Department, the hold will be lifted and you'll be able to register during your assigned appointment time.

If you plan on changing your major out of Biology, you will still need to meet with a Biology Advisor before you can register OR you can bring a copy of the signed Change of Major form to the Biology Office so we can lift the hold for you. If your transcript shows that you've changed majors, please bring that to the attention of Lakin Khan or Kathleen Hardy in the Biology Office so they can lift the hold.

We have preliminarily assigned a Biology advisor to each of you, based on your expressed interest or concentration in Biology, if known. Please plan to see your advisor during their posted office hours. The Advisees & Advisors List, the schedule of Biology Faculty Office hours (current) and the planned Spring 2010 Biology schedule of classes are all posted in the glass display case outside the Biology Department Office.

Do NOT wait until the week of registration to seek advising.

Biology Faculty are committed to meeting your advising needs in the weeks before First Pass of Registration 1. Understandably, they will be unable to meet with the more than 100+ Freshman students if everyone waits until Registration Week.

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