Questionnaire: Choice of Major

Many students are uncertain about their majors, and this includes those students who arrive at college with an unwavering commitment to a course of study and a connected career path. Whether you are undecided or firmly committed, completing this questionnaire will help you to determine if a possible course of study is right for you. For the best results, print the questionnaire and devote several minutes to thinking about, and responding to, each question. You might also meet with your academic advisor to discuss your responses.

1. What one major interests you the most at this point in time?

2. How does the major relate to your career plans and goals?

3. How did you become interested in this major?

4. Have family members, friends, teachers, or others encouraged you to pursue this major? If so, explain the role they played and how much your thinking was influenced by their input.

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5. What have you done to explore, learn about, and/or “test” your interest in this major?

6. How would you feel if you had to switch to another major, particularly one that might be quite different from your first choice? Would you see this as a personal failure or as a typical scenario experienced by many college students?

7. Please identify your commitment to this major on a scale of 1 to 10—with 1 being not very committed and 10 being very committed. ______

8. Besides the major you identified above, please identify other subjects that interest you and note why.