

Academic Advancement

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Dear Parents and Families of Students in the Class of 2023,

It is hard to believe that your students will soon be seniors! The cliché, “time flies,” has never felt more appropriate. I remember welcoming them to campus for the first time not so long ago and now they’re beginning to plan their senior year and considering whether they’ll be pursuing an [honors thesis](#), mapping out their [degree requirements](#) and even beginning to think about their lives after Wesleyan.

Your students are also now mapping out their courses for next fall, with pre-registration opening with scheduling on April 12 and then adjustment period running from April 13 to April 19. Please urge them to consider their goals for next year now, as this will help guide them as they make these choices. As always, they should be seeking out their advisors as they make their course selections.

It is hard to believe that by this time next year the members of the Class of 2023 will have all but completed their undergraduate careers. To walk across the platform of Denison Terrace and receive a diploma, a student must meet all four of Wesleyan’s graduation requirements: 32 credits without oversubscription, completion of a major, residency (six semesters for most students, but four or five if a junior or sophomore transfer), and a GPA of at least 74.00. While most students are well aware of where they stand in relation to these requirements, if your son or daughter has any questions, please urge him or her to make an appointment to see me as soon as possible. Resolving any outstanding issues now can spare a lot of consternation later.

For the current semester, classes end on May 5 and wrap up with projects and papers during reading period that begins on May 5 and ends on May 9. Final exams will take place from May 10 to 13. Since time management issues often emerge in full force during this period, you may want to ask your student how they are planning ahead for those final projects, papers, and exams. Housing closes on May 14.

Hopefully your student’s summer plans are shaping up, if not already in place. Please encourage them to visit the [Gordon Career Center](#) if they are still searching for opportunities. I hope this summer will also include an opportunity for you and your family to spend time with your rising senior, discussing their time at Wesleyan and their hopes and plans for this next year and beyond. Self-reflection is such a critical element of growth. By listening to what your student has experienced and learned, I am hopeful that you will see the ways that your student has grown throughout their Wesleyan experience.

It has been my pleasure to work with your student and I am looking forward to guiding them through their senior year. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns.



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Sincerely,

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