

# YOUR Major Action Plan: Exploring Majors/ General Studies



What is YOUR passion?	1st SEMESTER	2nd SEMESTER
<p>Explore more occupations and occupation groups through the <a href="#">Occupational Outlook Handbook</a> powered by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics.</p>	<p><b>YOUR Target Courses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including the FYS 1100 course.</li> <li>- See Staff or Faculty Academic Advisor to discuss your desired major and concentration, Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements, <a href="#">Academic Advising Guide</a>, and file your degree plan.</li> <li>- Explore the <a href="#">Course Index</a> within the catalog to read descriptions of all courses offered at Tarleton State.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- See Academic or Faculty Advisor to assist with choosing your desired concentrations, discuss Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements, and file your degree plan before completing 45 hours.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Find YOUR Way</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Undecided about your major? Want to learn more about different career options? Take advantage of <a href="#">career counseling and career assessments</a> through Career Services.</li> <li>- Explore student groups and organizations in your major or area of interests through <a href="#">TexanSync</a>.</li> <li>- Attend <a href="#">Study Skills</a> sessions for additional assistance with acclimating the first year.</li> <li>- Attend or use <a href="#">Academic Resource Center Coaching</a>, <a href="#">Math Clinic</a>, <a href="#">tutoring options</a>, and <a href="#">Writing Center</a>.</li> <li>- Know the <a href="#">FAFSA deadlines</a> each year.</li> <li>- Seek help from <a href="#">Student Counseling Center</a> for home sickness, depression or other issues.</li> <li>- Feeling ill? Visit <a href="#">Student Health Services</a> for physical health related concerns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explore available <a href="#">Applied Learning Experiences (ALE)</a> such as internships, research, study abroad, service learning or leadership experiences.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Sharpen YOUR Skills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Start researching the <a href="#">marketable skills</a> that employers are seeking.</li> <li>- Get involved in <a href="#">Service Day</a> and Tarleton Roundup.</li> <li>- Apply to be a <a href="#">Residential Leader (RL)</a> or Tarleton Transition Mentor (TTM)</li> <li>- Schedule a meeting with a department representative to explore study away and study abroad experiences and department-sponsored service learning projects offered by your major.</li> <li>- Run for <a href="#">Freshman Representative Council</a> with SGA (Student Government Association).</li> <li>- Look into <a href="#">Greek Organizations</a> to network and build community.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Seek out volunteer opportunities in your area through <a href="#">Volunteer Match</a> or <a href="#">United Way</a> to give back to the community and build marketable skills for future employment.</li> <li>- Attend events offered by <a href="#">The Office of Diversity and Inclusion</a> and <a href="#">Fine Arts Center</a> for cultural and diversity awareness.</li> <li>- Participate in <a href="#">Alternative Spring Break</a>.</li> <li>- Run for <a href="#">Student Government Association</a>.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>YOUR Next Steps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Check out part-time jobs in <a href="#">Career Services employment system</a> to gain work skills to begin building your resume.</li> <li>- Attend <a href="#">job and graduate school fairs</a> to explore possible future opportunities. Make a <a href="#">good first impression with your attire</a>.</li> <li>- Investigate the type of lifestyle, salary and occupation you would like to have through Texas <a href="#">Reality Check</a> tool (powered by Texas Workforce Commission).</li> <li>- Explore <a href="#">Launch My Career</a> (quiz and resources) for Texas careers.</li> <li>- Learn more about your student loan debt, budgeting and much more through <a href="#">SALT</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explore <a href="#">career opportunities</a> within your major.</li> <li>- Ask <a href="#">Career Services</a> how to conduct a job shadow.</li> <li>- Convert your high school resume into a pre-professional <a href="#">resume</a>.</li> <li>- Get to know your instructors to establish professional references and explore research opportunities.</li> <li>- Create your online portfolio through <a href="#">Porfolium</a>. Consult with Career Services or your Faculty Advisor on items to include.</li> </ul>