STUDIES

Exploratory Studies is a short-term preparatory major that will give you time to ponder your interests, consider your options, make informed career decisions, and complete your prerequisites for the major of your choice. Exploratory Studies fuses academic support with career counseling, giving you time and space to figure out your next steps.

ABOUT EXPLORATORY STUDIES

If you don’t meet the assured admissions requirements, we may consider additional factors in the admissions process. If selected for individual review, you will be asked to submit a resume and essay via your my.uh.edu self-service portal.

FRESHMAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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TRANSFER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students transferring to the University of Houston will not be admitted to Exploratory Studies. In order to utilize Exploratory Studies, you must meet with the Transfer Advising Program (TAP) to see if Exploratory Studies will allow you to meet your academic goals.

Transfer students with 45+ credit hours will not be permitted to enter UH as an Exploratory Studies major.

Contact TAP at transferadvising@uh.edu or (832) 842-4632.
**EXPLORATORY STUDIES—MAJOR CHANGE PATHWAYS**

Interested in pursuing a major in the College of Business, College of Engineering, or College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, but don't meet the requirements? Each academic college has a process for changing your major to one of theirs. Apply to Exploratory Studies for your first semester, and they will help guide you through the process and requirements outlined below.

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

1. Attend a mandatory enrollment session the first week of school.
2. Meet with Pathway Advisors two times during the semester.
3. Earn a minimum GPA of 3.25 on 15+ hours during your first semester at UH.
4. Complete three workshops.
5. Earn a “C” or higher in a college-level math course.

For more information, visit [bauer.uh.edu/businesspathway](http://bauer.uh.edu/businesspathway) or contact [bba@uh.edu](mailto:bba@uh.edu).

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

### GPA REQUIREMENTS

- 3.25 average in all college-level work attempted
- 3.0 average in all college-level calculus-based math courses* attempted
  *Any math courses taken before calculus will be calculated in the cumulative GPA—not the math GPA.*
- 3.0 average in all college-level science courses** required by any engineering major attempted
  **Science courses include: BIOL 1361/1161 and 1362/1162, GEOL 1330/1130, CHEM 1331/1111 and 1332/1112, PHYS 1321/1121 and 1322/1122, and CHEM 3331, 3332, and 3221. (Organic chemistry should be taken at the same institution to satisfy hours requirements.)
- 2.5 average in all college-level English courses attempted
- 3.0 average in all college-level engineering courses attempted

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- MATH 1431 Calculus I
- MATH 1432 Calculus II
- CHEM 1331 Fundamentals of Chemistry I
- ENGI 1100 Introduction to Engineering
- ENGI 1331 Computing for Engineers
- PHYS 1321 University Physics I

For more information, visit [erg.uh.edu/current-students/change-major](http://erg.uh.edu/current-students/change-major).

## COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES & MATHEMATICS

### GPA REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum cumulative UH GPA of at least 2.50
- Minimum cumulative mathematics and science GPA of 2.50 based on all math and science (including computer science) courses taken at UH that fulfill NSM degree requirements. Degree plans can be found at [uh.edu/nsm/students/undergraduate/majors/](http://uh.edu/nsm/students/undergraduate/majors/).

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- Students majoring in Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Geology, Geophysics, Earth Science, Environmental Sciences, Mathematical Biology, or Physics must complete at least 3 semester hours of MATH 1431 or higher at UH and at least 3 semester hours of NSM-approved science at UH.
- Students majoring in Computer Science or Mathematics must complete at least 6 semester hours of MATH 1431 or higher at UH.

For more information, visit [uh.edu/nsm/students/undergraduate/change-major](http://uh.edu/nsm/students/undergraduate/change-major).