Answers to Tough Questions

Learn and understand the underlined statements – they will become your friend. These stock answers will allow you to remain calm and give correct information in a difficult situation. The plain text information is rationale for your answer.

Who are the good professors?

That depends on you and your preference of teaching styles.

Individual learning styles differ. During the fall semester, the teaching styles of your professors will vary and you will have the opportunity to determine which styles work well for you.

I don't want to take …

Let’s put both the recommended course and the alternate course on your schedule. Talk to your advisor about this decision.

The classes you select are ultimately your decision. However, taking beginning classes in a major will help you determine if this is an area of study that is right for you.

Why do I have to take … (courses to meet admission or language requirements)?

I will ask an admissions representative to check your records.

It may be that your registration information form was printed before the admissions office received your final high school transcripts or other academic information.

All good classes are closed …

Let me show you some of the categories that have lots of open seats in classes.

Classes will close; however, many of the Liberal Arts Core classes as well as beginning courses in majors will have sections that are open. To help with selecting courses, discuss your (positive) experiences with specific courses and show descriptions for both Liberal Arts Core and major courses in the First Year Student Handbook or the sample textbooks and chapter headings on the Survey of Liberal Arts Core Textbooks.

I have to leave because …

I would encourage you to stay. There is a lot of information presented that will prepare you to be a successful college student.

The information presented and the assistance you will receive will help you a great deal in managing your first year at UNI. Friends, older brothers and sisters, parents may want to help you, however, they may not have the background in UNI requirements and the Liberal Arts Core program to give you the best information.

If a student is insistent on leaving …

Before you do go, I would like you to speak with [Ashley or Dave] so they know you were not able to stay for the afternoon.