FALL INTO YOUR MAJOR

Sample Questions to Consider Asking

Questions to ask YOURSELF:

• Which of my skills/strengths would I use most often in this major?
• Would this major allow me to consider other career options? If so, what are they?
• Would I like or dislike a career that involves quite a bit of interaction with other people?
• Would I like a career that involves more sitting or more active engagement each day?
• How does this major align with my career goals?
• What activities (extra-curricular and outside of school) are most important to me?
• Besides financial reasons, what are the other reasons why I would want to pursue a career in this field?
• What student organizations are offered at UTSA that align with this major, minor or career industry? (see https://utsa.collegiatelink.net)

Questions to ask a Career Counselor:

• What types of careers do students who graduate with this major typically pursue?
• Is this major intended to prepare students for advanced study (example: medical school, law school, graduate program, etc.) or a particular career?
• What is the salary range for this career industry?
• Where can I go to research more about this career field?

Questions to ask Peer Mentors/Student Leaders:

• What are the most enjoyable classes of this program? Why, in your opinion?
• What are the most challenging courses? What made it challenging?
• Which electives would you recommend that I take to determine if this major is a good match for me?
• What do you plan to do with this major?
• What types of jobs (part-time or internships) have you had related to this industry?
• What student organization(s) would you recommend that I get involved in related to this career?
• What do you foresee your career path to look like? (What do you want to do with your degree in this field?)

Questions to ask an Academic Advisor:

• Which courses should I take to determine if this major is a good match for me?
• If I were to choose this major/minor, which courses would I be studying?
• Are there any specific requirements I must meet/complete before I can declare this major? (example: completion of specific courses, a GPA requirement, etc.)
• Are there any experimental (e.g. internships, independent study, honors thesis, study abroad) learning opportunities involved with this major?