

# DEGREE WORKS STUDENT EDUCATIONAL PLANNER TRAINING MANUAL

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# Introduction to Degree Works Student Educational Planner

The Degree Works Student Educational Planner (SEP) is an advising tool that students and advisors can use to map out a clear pathway for timely degree completion. Advising plans created in SEP will show students the required courses within their program(s) and a recommended timeline of when they should be completed.



# **Objectives**

By the end of this manual the user will be able to:

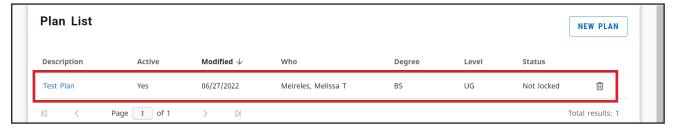
- 1. Create a Blank Plan
- 2. Create a Plan from a Template
- 3. Add to and Modify Plans

#### **ACCESS PLANS**

- 1. Access Degree Works through Self-Service Banner.
- 2. Select **Plans** at the top of the Degree Works Responsive Dashboard.



3. In the Plan List block, you will see any plans that were previously created.



#### **PLAN TYPES**

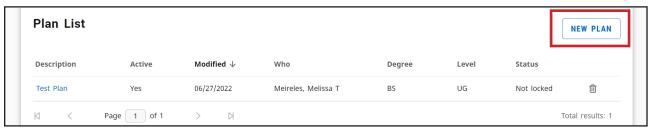
There are two different options when creating a new plan, Blank Plans and Templates.

Blank Plans allow you to build a customized plan from scratch.

**Templates** allow you to select a pre-defined template with courses and semesters already added. Note: you can still edit a plan if selected from a Template.

#### **CREATE A BLANK PLAN**

1. Select New Plan from the Plan List Block.



2. Select Blank Plan.



3. Use the drop-down to select the **starting term** for the plan. Select **Submit**.



4. Enter the name of the plan in the Description field.



- 5. If the student has multiple programs of study, you will see the Degree drop-down. Select the **Degree** you are creating the plan for.
- 6. Select Active if you would like to track the student's progress.
- 7. Select Save.
- 8. The Blank Plan will appear. Scroll down to begin adding to the plan. You will see the starting term has been added. Skip to page 8 in the manual.



#### CREATE A PLAN FROM A TEMPLATE

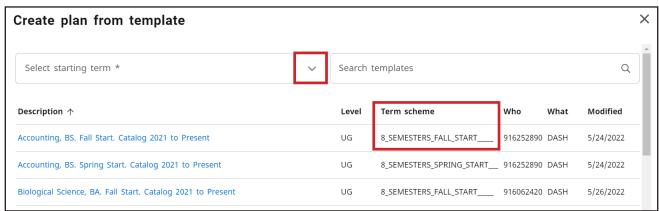
1. Select **New Plan** from the Plan List Block.



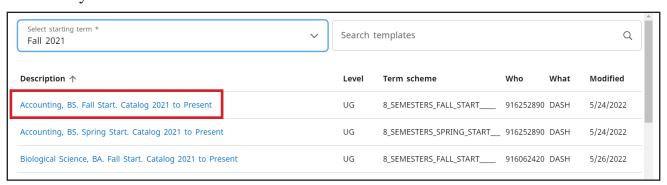
2. Choose **Select Template**.



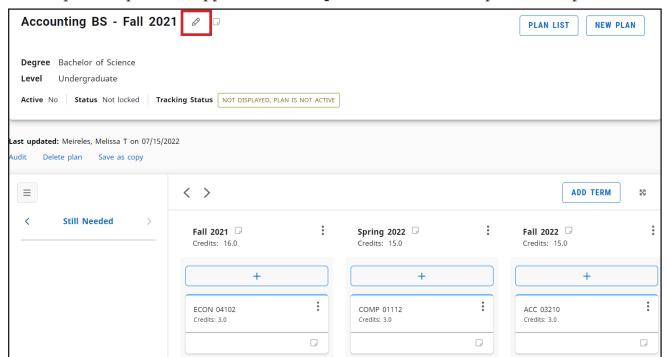
3. The list of plans will appear. The "Term Scheme" column states the number of terms that have been planned and the term that the plan starts. Use the drop-down to select the **starting term** for the plan.



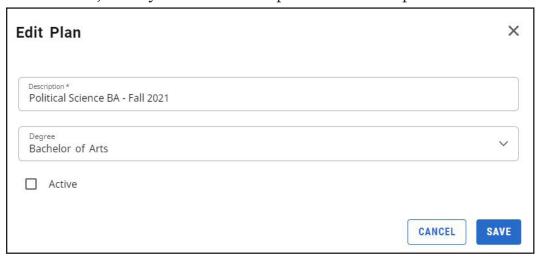
4. Use the Search Templates field to narrow down the list or select the **name of the template** from the list. Note: The starting term must match the term start in the "Term Scheme" column. If they do not match you will receive an error.



5. The plan template will appear. Select the **pencil icon** to edit the plan's description.



6. If needed, modify the name of the plan in the Description field.



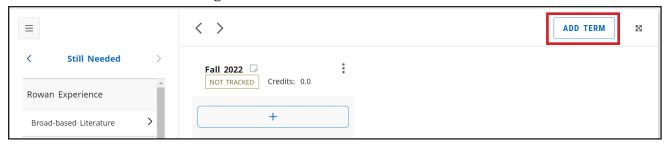
- 7. If the student has multiple programs of study, you will see the Degree drop-down. Select the **Degree** you are creating the plan for.
- 8. Select **Active** if you would like to track the student's progress.
- 9. Select Save.



#### **ADD A TERM**

You can add other terms to the plan to continue mapping out the student's coursework.

1. Select **Add Term** on the right side of the screen.



2. Use the drop-down to select the **term** for the plan. Select **Add**.

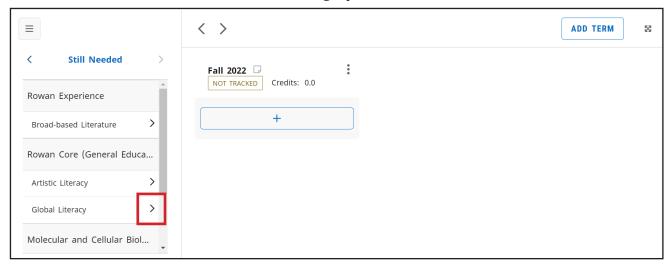


3. The term will appear on the plan. Repeat the process to add more terms.



#### ADD A COURSE THAT IS STILL NEEDED

1. On the left side of the screen you will see the categories for the degree requirements that are still needed. Select the arrow next to the category to view the courses.



2. Select the **course** and drag it to the + icon under the name of the appropriate term.



3. You will see the course listed under the term. Select **All** to return to the full list of categories for the requirements that are still needed.

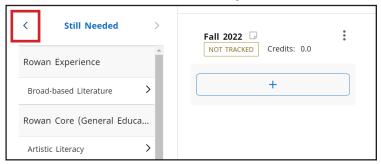




#### ADD A CHOICE REQUIREMENT

A choice requirement is used when a student can choose from multiple courses (ex. this course OR that course). A choice requirement is also used when a course must be paired with another course (ex. this course AND that course). Finally, a choice requirement is used to indicate a free elective (@ @) or other course with a "wildcard" symbol (@).

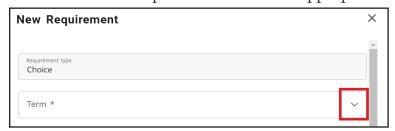
1. On the left side of the screen you will see the Still Needed section. Select the **left arrow**.



2. Select the **+ icon** next to Choice.



3. Use the term drop-down to select the appropriate **term**.



4. Add a course by searching course name or subject/number. You can also add a requirement based off of Attribute (if applicable).



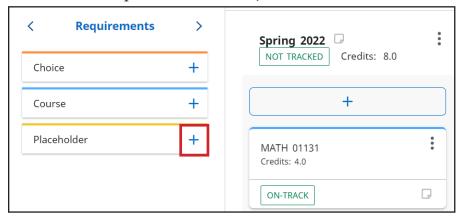
- 5. Select **Add** if you need to add another course.
- 6. Optional: Enter the number of credits, minimum grade, select the campus and delivery.
- 7. Select Save.



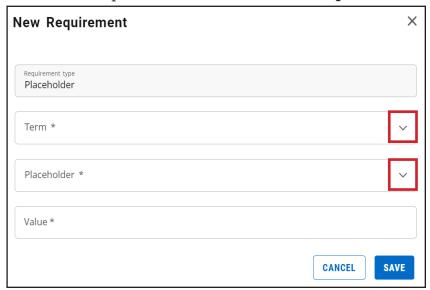
#### **ADD A PLACEHOLDER**

A placeholder is used for elective credits, internships, etc. The placeholders have been added by the Degree Works administrators. If you would like to request an additional placeholder type, please email degreeworks@rowan.edu.

1. From the Requirements section, select the **+ icon** next to Placeholder.



2. Use the drop-downs to select the **term** and **placeholder**.



- 3. Enter the **value**. The value is the note that will display to the student on the plan. Note: Placeholders do not count toward the credit total and will not check off requirements on the plan. Any number placed in the value field will not be added to the term's total credits.
- 4. Select Save.

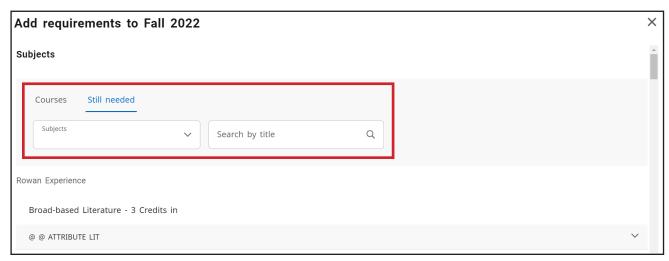


#### **ADD MULTIPLE COURSES**

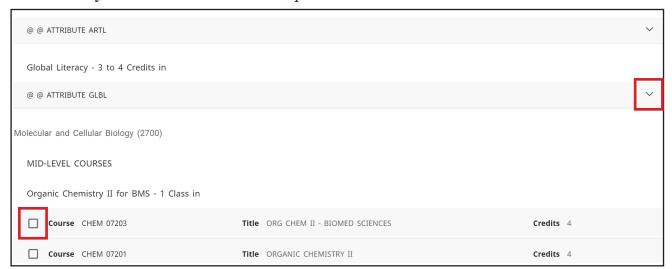
1. Select the **+ icon** under the name of the appropriate term.



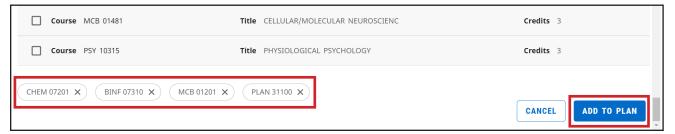
2. The degree requirements that are still needed are listed. Browse through the list or use the Subjects drop-down and Search by title field to search for a specific course. You can also select **Courses** if you would like to search from all courses.



3. You may need to select the **down arrow** to expand a section. Select the **check boxes for all of the courses** you would like to add to the plan.



4. Scroll to the bottom of the window. You will see the courses you have selected. Select the **X** next to the course if you no longer want to add it to the plan. Select **Add to Plan**.



5. All of the courses will be added under the appropriate term.

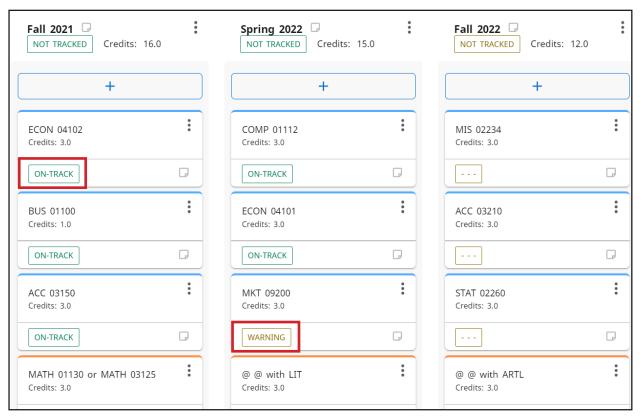
#### **REVIEW PLAN**

If a student's plan is active, then the template will track whether the student is on track with the template. Only past courses and courses in a current term will display as on track or off track. Future terms will not be tracked.

Review the plan to determine whether a student's registration is "on-track". Under the course name you will see, "On-track" or "Warning".

**On-track** designates the student has met the requirement.

Warning designates the student has not met the requirement (not taken, failed, withdrawn, etc.)





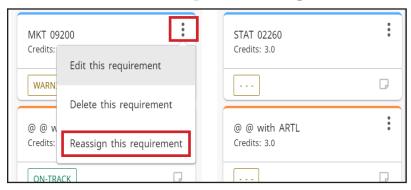
#### **MODIFY THE PLAN**

You may need to make adjustments to the plan you created or the template you chose.

#### **Reassign Requirements**

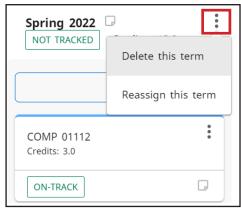
You can move requirements between terms by selecting the requirement, then dragging and dropping it into the appropriate term.

You can also select the ellipsis for the requirement then select Reassign this requirement.



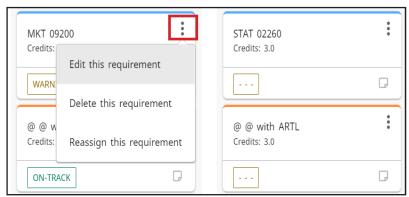
#### Reassign or Delete a Term

You can reassign or delete an entire term at once. Select the **ellipsis** for the term then select **Delete this Term or Reassign this term**.



#### **Edit or Delete Requirements**

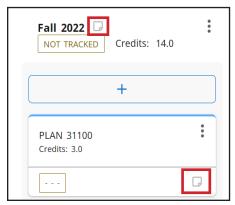
Select the **ellipsis** for the requirement then select **Edit this requirement or Delete this requirement**.



#### Add a Note

You can add a note to a plan, a term, or a course.

1. Select **note icon**.



2. Select Add a New Note.



3. Enter the note in the Description field. Select **Save Note**.

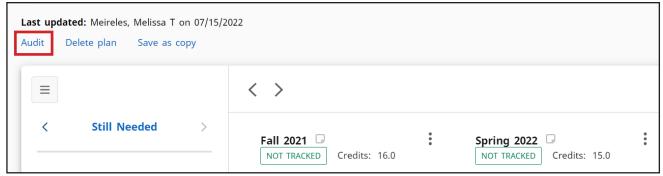


4. Once a note is added the note icon color changes from  $\square$  gray to  $\square$  blue on the plan.

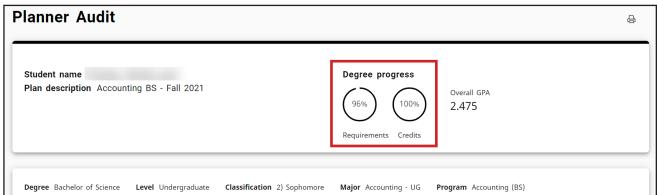
#### **PLANNER AUDIT**

The Audit allows you to view the requirements that are satisfied by the plan you created. This differs from the traditional degree audit because it includes the courses a student plans to take, not just the current or past courses they have taken. Note: A choice requirement with the @ symbol will not appear as planned on the Audit View.

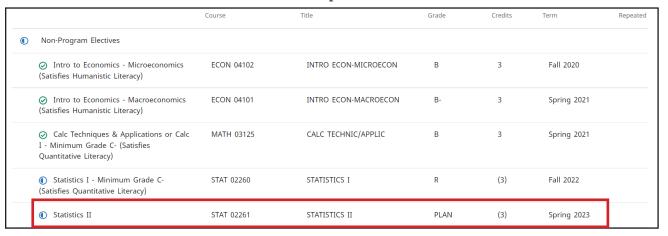
1. At the top left corner of the plan, select **Audit**.



2. The Planner Audit will appear. Degree progress shows the percentage of Requirements and Credits fulfilled by the courses taken and planned. Note: Progress will not equal 100% until all of the courses are complete and graded.



3. Review the audit to ensure the plan matches the student's course requirements needed to graduate. Requirements that are in-progress or planned for are denoted by a blue half filled circle. PLAN will be listed under the Grade column and the planned term is listed under the Term column.





4. Requirements that have not been completed or planned for are denoted by a red circle. Add these courses when modifying the plan.

Legal Environment of Business	MGT 98242	LEGAL ENVIRONMENT	D	3	Spring 2022
Organizational Behavior	MGT 06300	ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR	PLAN	(3)	Fall 2023
Principles of Finance	FIN 04300	PRINCIPLES OF FINANCE	PLAN	(3)	Spring 2024
Operations Management	MGT 06305	OPERATIONS MGMT	PLAN	(3)	Fall 2023
O Business Policy	Still needed:	<b>1</b> Class in <b>MGT</b> 06402			

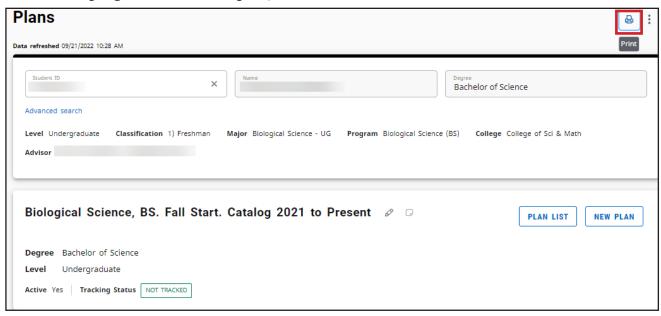
5. Review the Additional Courses Applying to Credit Total block. This block lists any courses that are not currently used to fulfill specific degree requirements. Ideally, you do not want the courses that you planned for to appear in this block. If any of your planned courses are applying in this block, please review these courses with your advisor before registering. An exception may be needed or a different course may be more appropriate.



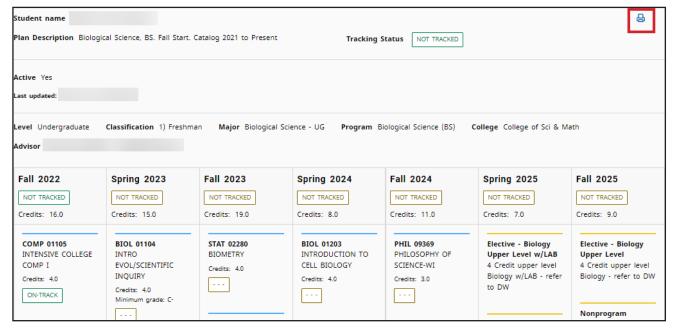
#### **PRINT VIEW**

The Print View condenses the plan and displays the course titles. You can use the print view to either print the plan or save it as a PDF.

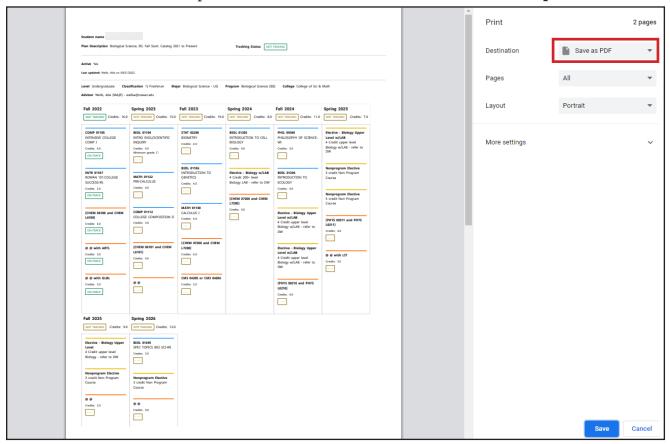
1. At the top right corner of the plan, select the **Print Icon**.



2. The Print View will open in a new tab. You will see all of the semesters and courses you added to the student's plan. Select the **Print Icon** to save the plan as a PDF or to print it.



3. Use the Destination drop-down menu to select **Save as PDF** or select the **printer name**.



4. Select **Save** or **Print** at the bottom of the screen.