

Exploratory Studies Workshop – Fall 2015



The Exploratory Studies Program (ESP) is designed to give students time to explore their interests and find a major they are truly passionate about! Rowan has so much to offer students in the Exploratory Studies Program (ESP) – we have useful resources as well as caring and knowledgeable professionals who will help you to explore information about yourself as well as possible majors and careers. Part of the Exploratory Studies Program is the ESP Workshop for new freshmen.

The *Registration Express* Program



The **Registration Express Program** is a program that you have to opt into! If you take full advantage of the **Registration Express Program** as part of the ESP Workshop you will earn a major reward (no pun intended): *You will get to register for your Spring 2016 classes a week before other freshmen do, at the same time as the sophomores.* This is a very important benefit. Rowan uses a priority registration system, so the seniors register first, then the juniors, then the sophomores, and finally the freshmen. Thus, the sooner you register, the more likely it is you will be able to put together the perfect schedule.

Here's what you'll need to do qualify for **Registration Express**. First, log into ProfLink (www.rowan.edu/proflink) using your Rowan username and password. Once logged in, click on the curriculum link labeled Exploratory Studies Program (ESP). There are **seven** requirements that need to be completed to earn **Registration Express** (listed below) - check these off as you go!

- ☐ 1) Opt-In to complete the Registration Express Program! **This must be completed by September 10th.**
- ☐ 2) Attend the First Session (9/3/15) that outlines the ESP Workshop & Registration Express. This must be entered into ProfLink by **September 10th.**
- ☐ 3) Attend at least **two** Academic Major Information Sessions (Weeks 2-7). You have **one week** to complete the required reflection, or by October 16, whichever is earlier, after attending each session.
- ☐ 4) Meet with a University Advising Center (UAC) advisor no later **than Friday, October 16.** Your appointment with an advisor needs to be made by **September 24th** and should be made through the Rowan Success Network (www.rowan.edu/rsn). The reflection must be completed **one week** after your meeting, or by October 16th, whichever is earlier.
- ☐ 5) Complete at least three self-assessments in Focus2 and complete the reflection.
- ☐ 6) Personal Exploratory Questions - Complete at least 3 of the 5 reflection questions.
- ☐ 7) Program Completion and Assessment of Registration Express requirements!

Items 3-7 require a reflection – these should each be about one paragraph long. All requirements must be completed by the due dates listed above or **October 16th**, whichever is earlier.

More about the ESP Exploratory Workshop:

- This workshop is structured time for you to receive extremely important information that will help you to be successful at Rowan and to learn about the extensive resources we have on campus that you can use to explore majors and careers. It is not graded and not for credit. Even if you choose not to opt-in to the Registration Express program, you are strongly encouraged to attend the academic sessions and take advantage of the resources.
- Academic honesty is at the heart of any learning process; your work must be your own at all times. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated in this workshop. The Academic Integrity policy will be followed and appropriate sanctions applied for any violations. All work must be exclusively your own and all attendance information and participation must be truthful. Please visit the link below for more information regarding Rowan's Academic Integrity Policy: http://www.rowan.edu/provost/policies/documents/academic_integrity_policy_04-12.pdf

Exploratory Studies Workshop 2015

Thursdays 12:30-1:45, Boyd Recital Hall in Wilson Hall

Week 1 – September 3 (Required)	Introduction to the Workshop and Exploratory Studies Program Learn about Registration Express and amazing tools and people on campus ready to help!
Week 2 – September 10 (Choose 2 or More)	College of Education - Academic Major Information Session
Week 3 – September 17 (Choose 2 or More)	The Rohrer College of Business- Academic Major Information Session
Week 4 – September 24 (Choose 2 or More)	College of Communication & Creative Arts- Academic Major Information Session College of Performing Arts- Academic Major Information Session
Week 5 – October 1 (Choose 2 or More)	Henry M. Rowan College of Engineering- Academic Major Information Session
Week 6 – October 8 (Choose 2 or More)	College of Science & Mathematics- Academic Major Information Session School of Biomedical Science & Health Professions- Academic Major Information Session
Week 7 – October 15 (Choose 2 or More)	College of Humanities & Social Sciences- Academic Major Information Session
Week 8 – October 22	Special Opportunities: Education Abroad; Student Leadership (PROS, Ambassadors, RAs, SGA)
October 26	Registration Express Qualifiers Register for Spring 2016 (sophomores register)
Week 9 – October 29	Career Management Center (note: this session will meet in the Career Management Center, 2 nd Floor of Savitz Hall)
November 2	Regular Freshman Registration date

Helpful contacts for Exploratory Studies students:

University Advising Center

3rd floor, Savitz Hall, 856-256-4459

Career Management Center (CMC)

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