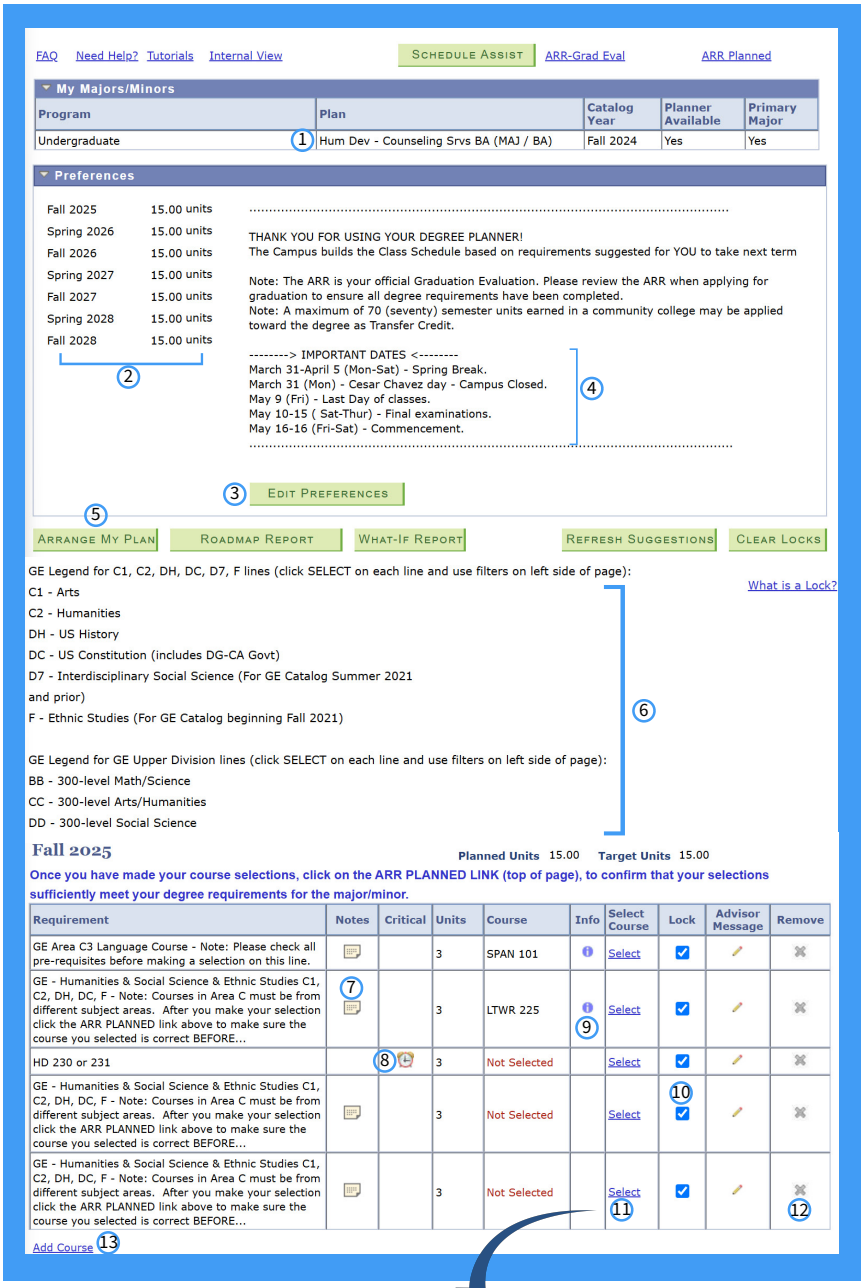
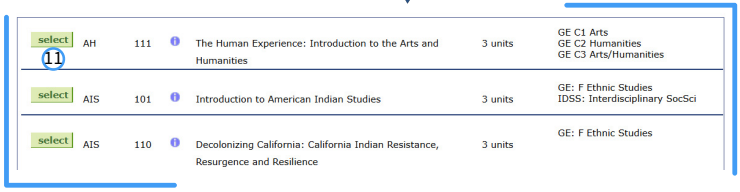
How to Guide:
Using your Degree Planner

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Degree Planner is an interactive tool used to plan students' major, minor (if applicable), and general education requirements. Requirements are displayed in a recommended sequence by semester using information from each student's academic records. All students have an individualized Degree Planner.

Degree Planner Features





1. Declared major/minor (if applicable) and catalog year.

2. Future semesters and units planned for each term.

3. The Edit Preferences button allows students to modify the number of units they want to take in each term.
**Note: if decreasing the number of units, an additional semester may need to be added.*

4. Important dates for the term.

5. The arrange my plan button allows students to move courses around in the Degree Planner.
**Note: Most students will not need to arrange as the Degree Planner suggests courses in priority order. Connect with an advisor before making changes adjustments to your Degree Planner.*

6. GE Legend for requirements.
*Note: GE Legend titles and content may vary based on the student's catalog year.

7. Click on Notes Icon to view important messages about the course.

8. The Critical Icon means the course is a pre-requisite for future courses and should be taken in the semester listed.
**Note: Taking a critical marked course at a later term may result in graduation being delayed.*

9. Click on the Information Icon to view course descriptions, pre/co requirements, and typical offering for the course.

10. Check the lock box to hold a requirement line in place when closing and reopening the Degree Planner.

11. To explore the available courses that fulfill the requirement, click on select. After identifying a course of interest, proceed by clicking select once more.

12. It is not recommended to remove a course without the guidance of an Academic Advisor. If trying to take the requirement later, use the Arrange My Plan feature.

13. It is not recommended to add courses, as the Degree Planner includes all graduation requirements. If courses beyond the degree requirements are needed, it is best to work with an Academic Advisor to manually add them to the plan.