# HOW TO GET TO KNOW A MAJOR

## DISCOVER MORE:

- What sets your department apart from others?
- What do students love about your department/major?
- What are the most loved classes in your department?
- What insider tips can you offer me about your department?
  How can I best prepare for success in this major?
- What challenges might I expect in this major?
- How might I know I am a good fit for your department/major?
- Why should I consider this major?
- What courses would help me explore this major?
- What skills will I gain as a result of being in this major?
- How can I contact current students to discuss their experiences in the major?

### EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES:

- Does the department offer clubs or associations to get involved in?"
- What other special opportunities does this department offer? (scholarships, internships, leadership, etc...)
- What types of research are faculty in the department working on?
- Are there opportunities for students to get involved in research?

#### CONSIDER NEXT STEPS AFTER GRADUATION:

- What are the expected AND unexpected careers alumni have pursued with this major?
- How does this major help prepare students for the working world?
- Is graduate study/professional school suggested or required to pursue career fields within this major?
- How can I gain research experience in this field?
- How can I gain career experience related to this field?
  How can contact alumni to discuss their real-world success with this major?

#### SEEK ADVISING:

- What course combinations are great? Which ones should I avoid?
- When is the best time to declare this major?
- What type of coursework and projects (essays, papers, group) projects, research, assignments) can I expect?
- What is my next step to declare this major?
- If I have more questions, who is the best person to contact?