

# 4-1 Program

## Candidate Information for SEAS Students

# Center for Student Advising Fact Sheet

### What is the 4-1 Program?

The 4-1 Program provides SEAS students the opportunity to expand their education in liberal arts through an additional year of study at Columbia College (CC). At the end of the fifth year of study, including the completion of a major or concentration at CC, students receive a B.A. degree from CC, in addition to a B.S. from SEAS.

Admitted students will be eligible for a fifth year of housing and financial aid.

### What is the timeline?

Sophomore Year	Spring	Declaration of intent to participate in program
Junior Year	Spring	Submit application – deadline is normally mid-April
Junior Year	Summer	Tentative admission notification
Senior Year	Summer	Official admission notification

### What are the steps I need to take?

**First/Second Years:** Please see your adviser and inform them of your interest in the program to begin the academic planning process.

Please see here for the course schedule worksheet: [Course Schedule Worksheet 4-1](#)

**Junior Year:** Students apply to the program during the spring of their junior year. The application should be submitted directly to your Advising Dean in the Center for Student Advising. The application deadline is mid-April.

Please see here for the application: [4-1 Program Application 2008](#)

### What are the requirements?

- During the eight semesters at SEAS, students must satisfy all requirements for the B.S. degree in addition to all CC Core requirements (including the swim test) and any prerequisite courses for the intended CC major or concentration.
- The applicant must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.0 in CC Core and prerequisite courses. Academic actions are likely to compromise an applicant's eligibility for the program.
- Courses may satisfy SEAS non-technical elective requirements and Core requirements simultaneously. Courses cannot double count toward a minor at SEAS and a major or concentration at CC.
- Students are required to obtain Faculty of Arts and Sciences departmental approval of the entire fifth year curriculum for admission and registration. The departmental adviser must certify in writing that the proposed curriculum will satisfy B.A. degree requirements at the end of two semesters. This statement will be submitted as part of the application process.
- Students who are accepted and decide to matriculate into the 4-1 program are required to be in residence at Columbia College for two semesters and complete at least 31 credits. A maximum of 93 points are transferred from the B.S. to the B.A.

### With whom can I speak about the 4-1 Program?

Make an appointment with your Advising Dean.