The first year of college is full of excitement – and sometimes uncertainty. Many students enter college believing they must choose a major that will ensure employment throughout a career. Making wise class choices is important, but students don’t have to select a major during the BSC application process. Program changes are common and being a deciding student places you in the position to explore and expand your knowledge and perspective. A good career decision is based on knowing yourself and learning about the world of work.

Liberal Arts is a good beginning for those undecided about a specific field of study. The broad curriculum contains general education courses required for associate and technical degrees that qualify for transfer to other institutions.

PREPARATION AND REQUIREMENTS

BSC faculty and staff are trained to help students explore options for a major field or technical program. With enrollment, all students are assigned a faculty advisor. Make an appointment with your academic advisor to discuss your education and career goals. Full-time academic advisors are also available in the Mystic Advising and Counseling Center (MACC) in the Student Union. The Counseling and Career Services in the MACC can help students explore career options, job outlook, employment opportunities and personal development. Career information materials include college catalogs, interest inventories, student-planning worksheets, occupational outlook handbooks, reference guides, and more.

Each year, almost one-third of BSC’s entering students declare themselves “undecided.” These students have a unique opportunity to explore the full range of academic opportunities at BSC.

Career possibilities depend heavily on selected major and minor. But the advantage of a liberal arts degree is having well-developed written and oral communication skills, as well as creativity, critical thinking and vision.
YOUR BEYOND STARTS HERE

IF YOU’RE A NEW STUDENT
- Complete your application for admission online
  bismarckstate.edu/apply
  *non-refundable $35 application fee
- Request your official high school transcript or official GED transcript be sent to BSC
- Request documented proof of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella and meningococcal
- Submit placement test scores

IF YOU’RE A TRANSFER STUDENT
- Complete the new student section above
- Request your official college transcripts be sent to BSC

IF YOU’RE A RETURNING STUDENT
- Complete your application for admission online
  (no fee required) bismarckstate.edu/apply
- Request your official college transcripts be sent to BSC

DON'T FORGET!
- Apply for scholarships
  bismarckstate.edu/scholarships
- Submit your free application for federal student aid at fafsa.gov
  BSC school code: 002988

Additional admissions requirements may apply.
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