

Six Steps for Making an Educational Development Plan (EDP)

1. Gather your tools

- Curriculum guide for your major (LCC Degrees – http://www.lcc.edu/catalog/degree_certificateprograms/ - Transfer <http://www.lcc.edu/transfer/guides/index.aspx>)
- Your transcript/placement test scores
- Prerequisites for each course (Searchable here <http://www.lcc.edu/courses/>)
- EDP Form (<http://lcc.edu/advising/EDP%20with%20Watermark.doc>)

2. Fill out your information at the top of the EDP form

3. Organize your courses based on prerequisites *and* the semesters they are offered

- Sequences (READ 116→ WRIT 117→ WRIT 121→ WRIT 122, etc.)
- Courses that can be taken at any time

4. Plan your courses for each semester

- Fill in longest sequence first (E.g. MATH 050→ MATH 107→ MATH 112, etc.)
- Add other sequences next.
- Be aware of classes that are offered *only* in Fall, *only* in Spring, etc. (Check <http://www.lcc.edu/courses/>), and fill them in accordingly.
- Fill in courses that can be taken at any time. They can be rearranged later as needed.
- Always consider what classes might be good to take at the same time vs. ones better *not* taken in the same semester.
- Remember to schedule according to whether you will be full-time (12 Credits or more per semester) or part-time.

5. Add any helpful final information

- Important dates/deadlines for financial aid, registration, etc.
- Jot down any questions you want to remember to ask Academic Advising, your major department, Financial Aid, Student Finance, etc.

6. Finish

- Make a photocopy of the EDP to keep for your own files. It will help you stay on track in future semesters.
- If required for your financial aid, make an appointment with an Advisor at Academic Advising to complete an EDP.