How to read your Academic Advisement Report

The Academic Advisement Report (AAR) begins with basic information about you:

- Your name
  - Suzie Scholar
- Your ten digit university identification number
  - 0000000000
- Your Academic Program
  - Undergraduate Arts & Sciences Telecommunications BA with Business minor

The AAR is composed of an assortment of Requirement Groups (RG) that are indicated by dark blue bars.

For example:

When the AAR first opens, it defaults to expand those Requirement Groups that are not satisfied by courses you have taken in the past or are currently enrolled in.

You can click on "collapse all" for a basic global view or "expand all" to see more detailed information related to each Requirement Group.

Additionally, these Requirement Groups can be individually expanded or collapsed by clicking on the triangle on the blue bar.

You can click on "restore" to return to the default view.
The first Requirement Group begins with text explaining the purpose and the function of the report.

It states that the Academic Advisement Report is "In Development." It asks you to report errors to your academic advisor and to the College Recorder's office. It also emphasizes that YOU are ultimately responsible for fulfilling all of your degree requirements as outlined in the Bulletin.

The light blue bar surrounding "All Courses Taken" indicates a specific Requirement (RQ) within a Requirement Group (RG). In this case, it shows a series of Requirement Lines that list "All Courses Taken." You can click on the triangle to expand and view the corresponding Course List.

Note: The following Requirement Lines are only listed if there are courses that fall under them. In this example F, I, and W grades are displayed.

However, there are several other categories of Grades that may appear here including:
- Courses with grades of "R" (Deferred)
- Duplicate courses
- Transfer credit
- Courses that do not count toward degree credit in the College of Arts and Sciences
- Two-year/Four-year college credit
The next Requirement Group displays information about the Overall Hours and GPA. It is organized into 3 basic sections:

- Cumulative College GPA of 2.000 or higher
- 122 hours required for a College of Arts and Sciences degree
- Additional Degree Requirements

Notice that the Requirement Group is Not Satisfied. Requirement Groups will not be marked as Satisfied until all Requirements within the Group are satisfied.

First, the report shows the Cumulative College GPA as Satisfied. In this example, the student has a 2.860 GPA and the minimum required GPA is 2.000.

Second, the AAR shows the 122 hour requirement. The student has taken 82 hours (units) and still needs 40 hours to earn a degree in the College. The subsequent Requirement Lines display the 82 hours in the following categories:

- Hours in the major
  - In this example, a maximum of 42 hours may be counted in Telecommunications
- Outside hours (or excess major hours)
  - This includes a maximum of 22 hours, made up of some combination of excess major hours (i.e. above 42) and/or hours earned in courses outside the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Electives inside the College
- Excess hours which do not count toward the 122 hour requirement

Third, the AAR lists Additional Degree Requirements:

- 36 hours at the 300-400 level
- 26 Senior Residency Hours
Warning: The AAR is a snapshot of the student’s current state of Academic Progress, including "In Progress" work (it is possible to run an AAR that excludes "In Progress" work).

In this example, "In Progress" work is marked with this symbol: 🔷

As you can see, the report counts the 6 units of "In Progress" work as part of the 18 total units taken in the Major. If the student successfully completes these two courses, they will remain in this area. However, if they are not completed for some reason (i.e. W, I, F, etc.), then they will disappear from this area once the grades are assigned.

As you go through the rest of the AAR, be aware that Requirements could be marked as satisfied using "In Progress" work. If the "In Progress" work is not completed successfully, then the Requirements would correspondingly revert to the Not Satisfied state.

As it says on the AAR, Students become seniors at IU after completing 86 hours. An additional 26 hours must be completed on the Bloomington campus to complete the Senior Residency requirement.

This can become complicated when transfer work is involved. It is up to the student to work with the Admissions Office to transfer work from other institutions in a timely manner. Transfer work must be "articulated" and then posted to a specific IU semester.

Depending on which semester the transfer work is posted to, a student's Senior status can change dramatically.
The Fundamental Skills Requirement Group is organized into the following Requirements:

- English Composition
- Intensive Writing
- Fundamental Skills Math
- Foreign Language

There are a number of ways to meet each of these requirements.

English Composition: In this example, the requirement is satisfied by ENG-W 131. You can expand the Requirement Line "Eng Comp 1 (W131 etc.)" to see:

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Intensive Writing: Once again, you can expand the Requirement Line and see:

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Fundamental Skills Math: Not Satisfied. Once an applicable course is taken, it will be listed in a course grid in this area.

Foreign Language: Not Satisfied. The Requirement Line "All Foreign Language Courses" can be expanded to show a course grid that lists all courses that apply to this area.

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The Distribution Requirement Group is organized into the following Requirements based on the degree objective:

- One Topics Course
- Arts & Humanities (A&H)
- Social & Historical Studies (S&H)
- Natural & Mathematical Sciences (N&M)
- Culture Studies

In this example, the Requirement Group is Not Satisfied because the Requirements for Topics and N&M are Not Satisfied.

Within the Arts & Humanities Requirement, there is a Requirement Line that can be expanded to show the following:

Note that AAAD-A 380 was listed above as satisfying the Intensive Writing requirement. Since this course also carries A&H credit, the course is listed here as well.

Also, note the way that the AAR evaluates Culture Studies. As the text says, at least one of the courses must be chosen from List A in the Bulletin. The first Requirement Line confirms that at least 2 courses have been taken in this area, and the second Requirement Line checks to make sure at least one of the courses was from List A.
The Requirement Group(s) related to a student’s major(s) will be listed next on the AAR.

For this particular example (Telecommunications), there are a number of Requirement Lines to satisfy, including hours in the major, residency hours, a minimum Major GPA, and other requirements specific to the Telecommunications major.

When expanded, each Requirement Line will display the courses that apply to each area.

The 1st Requirement Line checks to see if 30 hours in TEL courses have been successfully completed.

The 2nd line checks to see if 12 hours have been successfully completed on the Bloomington campus.

The 3rd line (when expanded) will display a course grid that contains all attempted courses that could apply to the major and will evaluate the GPA for the Major. It is satisfied only at or above 2.000.

The 4th line checks to see if there are 15 hours at the 300/400 level in the major.

The 5th line checks to see if the student has taken the specified courses: T101, T205, T206, T207.

Special note about Options and how they appear on the AAR:

Certain Requirements can be satisfied in a variety of ways. The example here shows that a student need only choose one of the areas of study (Media and Society, Design and Production, or Industry and Management) to satisfy the requirement. Until one of the options is completed, all three Requirement Lines will be displayed.
The Minor Requirement Group(s) will be listed next.

This example shows that the student has satisfied all requirements for the minor.

Note: As you can see in the expanded Requirement Line for the "15 Kelley School of Business hours", the tally of courses/hours is discontinued once a requirement is fulfilled.

**WARNING:** Once again, remember that "In Progress" work is included. So, if a requirement is marked as Satisfied due to "In Progress" work, then you will lose these tallys. Keep in mind the option of running the AAR that excludes "In Progress" work to give a more accurate picture of your academic progress with only completed work taken into account.

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**Six hours in Business on the Bloomington campus**

- 2.000 GPA minimum required in the minor
- BUS-A 200
- BUS-L 201 and Z 302
- Two additional Business electives
In order to view a 2nd degree, a Certificate, or to simulate what it would be like to have another major, it is necessary to run a What If Advisement Report.

In this example, we will run a College Certificate using the following parameters:

**Institution**: Bloomington
**Career**: Undergraduate
**Academic Program**: Arts & Sciences Ugrd Nondeg*
**Academic Plan Type**: Major
**Area of Study**: Select appropriate Certificate (in this case, we’ve chosen the "Liberal Arts & Mgt UG ACRT").

Click: [SUBMIT REQUEST](#)

* To view College majors and minors, the Academic Program should be set to "Arts & Sciences Undergraduate" and the Academic Plan Type should be set to Major or Minor (as appropriate).

After the system processes your request, you will see an AAR that simulates the career, program, and plan (aka Major/Certificate) selected.

In this example, it lists the Requirement Group for the Certificate and will contain a variety of Requirements (and Requirement Lines) just as before.

DISCLAIMER: Students are ultimately responsible for fulfilling all degree requirements as outlined in the Bulletin and the What If AAR is a useful tool for evaluating potential degree progress. Meet with an appropriate College of Arts and Sciences Academic Advisor to confirm that the simulation is correct and is allowable under College Policy.