Freshman Year Checklist

By participating in academic advisement opportunities from admission to graduation, you will:

**Pre-First Semester**
- □ Learn to access and understand the portal
- □ Understand the opportunities available to complete remediation requirements by successfully enrolling in the Early Start Program if required
- □ Successfully register for and attend New Student Orientation
- □ Combine the information from your Advising Team and create a successful first semester schedule
- □ Understand the importance of a liberal education and articulate the value of the transferable skills their future employers will seek
- □ Begin to develop a network of support by connecting with a minimum of two students and at least one faculty member during orientation

**Freshman**
- □ Clearly interpret the TDA, independently navigate the student portal, and accurately describe the components of your degree
- □ Review your four-year road maps and TDA with your team of advisors
- □ Work with an advisor to connect interests and goals to your major
- □ Demonstrate knowledge of basic university procedures and policies including: 1) how to find your registration date and how to register; 2) how to interpret holds; 3) university deadlines (add, drop, W); 4) and the application of grade forgiveness.
- □ Identify General Education requirements for which AP credit was previously earned
- □ Demonstrate an understanding of the CSUF graduation requirements i.e. minimum number of units required to graduate, minimum GPA requirement etc.
- □ Actively participate in the major exploration process by identifying majors that correspond with personal interests, academic skills, and abilities
- □ Identify appropriate advisors and participate in a minimum of one advising session with each while further investigating major requirements