ATTENTION Class of 2026: Jump Start Your Third Year! (please remove from the document before sending out)

PREFERRED LAST ID Major: MAJOR

Hello PREFERRED,

I hope your semester is going well so far. My name is **PEER NAVIGATOR NAME**, and I am one of the Peer Navigators within SSHA. I look forward to working with you and being a part of your academic journey at UC Merced.

Earlier this semester, you received an email from SSHA Academic Advising informing you of the MANDATORY Jump Start Your Third Year Meeting for all students entering as first-year students in 2022. You are <u>required</u> to meet with an Academic Advisor or Peer Navigator to discuss your progress in your degree requirements, important course sequencing in your major, your anticipated graduation date, as well as your educational goals. The deadline to complete your Jump Start Your Third Year meeting is October 28th, 2023.

To prepare for your meeting, please complete the following actions:

- 1. Review your current audit through MyDegreePath (or What-If audit for your intended major)
- 2. Attend one of our MyDegreePath workshop dates outlined below to help you learn how to utilize the Plan Builder Tool (information on location for each workshop is available on our <u>Events</u> page):
 - o Thursday, September 29th, 2023 @1:00pm
 - o Wednesday, October 4th, 2023 @2:30pm
 - o Tuesday, October 10th, 2023 @12:00pm
 - o Thursday, October 19th, 2023 @2:00pm
- 3. Prepare a Graduation Plan using MyDegreePath
 - Using MyDegreePath, complete a graduation plan, which includes all of your <u>remaining</u> graduation requirements (you can find resources for how to create a plan through graduation <u>here</u>)
 - O You are expected to have a completed graduation plan **before** your meeting
 - o During your meeting, we will be making any needed adjustments together

If you come to your meeting without having completed all of the actions listed above, you will be required to return after you are ready.

You may find Peer Navigators and Academic Advisors in-person and virtual walk-in hours posted at: Meet With Your Academic Advisor | SSHA Academic Advising (ucmerced.edu)

For those wanting to change to a new major:

Complete the necessary steps above and then meet with the Academic Advisor of your intended major.

Please reach out if you have any additional questions. We look forward to meeting with you!

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