

Interview#3

Observations by Kenny

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Age: 18

Major: Economics, English Minor

Year: 2nd

Certainty of Major: Not declared, but certain.

Most Important Priorities for Determining Schedule:

1. Major/Minor Requirements <-> L&S requirements
2. Pre-requisites for required classes (How to fulfill requirements, attempt to find classes that fulfill more than one requirement)
3. Interest Subjects

Other Factors

1. Interest subjects if on track with requirements
2. Professor reputations
 - word of mouth
 - ratemyprofessor.com not useful, inaccurate comments after taking same class
3. Finals - slightly important, only deal with finals once whereas class for 15 weeks.
4. Distances- no big deal
5. Times- Gaps are bad
6. Number of total units for the semester

Tools Used

1. Paper copy of general course catalogue
 - highlight/circle required and interest classes
 - tabs in sections relevant to major/minor
2. Excel spreadsheet: 6-8 classes per semester for all 4 years
 - not specific classes but requirements, i.e. 2 econ, 1 english for spr 2006
 - shows spaces of interest classes
3. Amanb
 - adds information regarding course control number
 - learning code to add text was not hard
 - prints out schedule early in the semester
4. Final Distance (does not use)
 - feels more complicated
 - no manual mode
 - no visual representation on front page
5. Telebears
 - 4 classes, 2 essential impacted for phase 1

- usually gets into classes
- 6. Bearfacts
 - dislikes format
 - rather have everything laid out
 - too many headings and subheaders, no basic information on pages.

Other Activities

1. Work at Morrison- 7.5 hours a day
 - set schedule
2. Frisbee 5hr/week, 2 sessions
 - set schedule

Temporal Breakdown

1. Daily
 - No Gaps
 - Don't mind early classes. Wants to finish class to be over with it in and have time to study/do other things. ("Up and done better")

Interaction Between Others/Other's Schedules

1. Advice on classes and scheduling provided by friends in person.
2. Doesn't schedule with others in mind, takes what she needs first.
3. Use amanb to check free time between multiple schedules

Suggested Features

1. Integration with telebears to sign up for classes
2. Integrate catalogue online.
3. Choose classes in telebears like buying textbooks online, menu for dept/class

Other Notes

1. In-n-out out of classes.
2. No use of public tranist