Academic Advising Procedure for Graduate Students
Academic Advising

- All degree-seeking graduate students are required to meet with their primary academic advisor and complete required eForms during their first major semester of enrollment.

- eForms are used to declare the following:
  - Transfer credit
  - Desired specialization(s)
  - Approved courses from other majors
  - Course substitutions
  - Required research project (IIT Europe double-degree students)

- Advising registration hold will be removed after the student meets with their advisor and submits required eForm(s).

- Learn more about IIT’s graduate academic advising policies and the Graduate Degree Works system in the online Graduate Catalog at http://bulletin.iit.edu/graduate/academic-policies-procedures/academic-advising/

2. Confirm the identity of your primary academic advisor in GRADUATE DEGREE WORKS system (via ‘Academics’ tab in the myIIT portal) and review your academic record as it appears now.

3. Book an appointment with your primary academic advisor at [https://intm.youcanbook.me](https://intm.youcanbook.me)

4. Bring the worksheet to the academic advising meeting; discuss and outline courses you’ll take to complete the MITO degree. If you have transfer credit, send official transcripts to Graduate Academic Affairs ([https://web.iit.edu/gaa/transfer-credit](https://web.iit.edu/gaa/transfer-credit)) and provide a copy of your transcript to your advisor at the meeting.

5. Use the GRADUATE DEGREE WORKS system to submit specified eForm(s).
   Note: only one eForm can be pending in the Graduate Degree Works system at any time.

6. eForm is reviewed and approved (or rejected) by 1) your academic advisor and then 2) Graduate Academic Affairs.

7. After all required eForm(s) are approved, the advising hold will be lifted.
When must it be done?

- Academic advising meetings are best completed as follows: between **SEPT 15** and **OCT 15** (fall semester), or **FEB 15** and **MARCH 15** (spring semester).

- Submit required eForm during or immediately after the advising meeting.

- Delaying the academic advising process may result in the student’s inability to register for classes.
Graduate Degree Works

- Access through ‘Academics’ tab in myIIT portal
- Access the ‘eForms’ option in the top menu line

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The eForms Menu

- Use eForm ① to declare a specialization and make other requests in a single eForm
- Use eForm ② if you only need to declare a specialization
- Use eForm ③ to request transfer credit (without declaring a specialization), identify a course substitution, or apply a course from another major
- Co-Terminal Students may use ① or ④ to identify shared courses
- **Use A** to declare a specialization
- **Use B** to transfer credit to IIT from an outside university
- **Use C** to transfer IIT courses from another major towards ITO degree
- **Use D** to request a general elective course or INTM 597 be applied towards a specialization
- **Use E** to declare shared UG courses for a Co-Terminal program
- **Use Comments** to clarify any requests
Notes on SPECIALIZATIONS

- Concentration = Specialization (same thing)
- A specialization is optional
- A specialization requires completion of 4 courses within an identified focus area
- You may pursue two specializations, if appropriate and approved by your advisor
- INTM 597 (graduate special project) **may be applied towards a specialization** if the research topic is related (requires a course substitution eForm request)
- Transfer courses may be applied towards a specialization if equated with an INTM specialization elective; clarify that intention in the eForm ‘Comments’ section
- **IIT Europe students** who are required to complete a graduate research project should use eForm 1/Request A to declare ‘International Partner Research Project’ and any desired specialization, and Request B for External Transfer Credit
Identify MAS of ITO

To select two choices under ‘Concentration/Research Project’, hold “Ctrl” key while clicking desired check boxes

IIT Europe double-degree students who are required to complete a research project (INTM 597) at IIT should click the box for “International Partner Research Project”
External Transfer Request

- Transfer course grade must be equivalent to an ‘A’ or ‘B’ in the US credit system. In Spain, 8-10=A, 6.5-7.99=B. In France, 16-20=A, 12-15.99=B.

- Transfer credit may not have been utilized for another earned degree.

- The IIT equivalent must be identified and approved by INTM academic advisor during the academic advising meeting.

- If a single transfer course carries less credit than the IIT equivalent (e.g., 3 ECTS credits = 1.5 US credits), two or more transfer courses must be indicated (combined) to assure sufficient credit is transferred (SEE NEXT SLIDE).

- Transfer courses reflecting ECTS credit should list ECTS credit value in the associated ‘Credits’ box, but the IIT equivalent course should reflect US credit. Transfer ratio is 2 ECTS credits = 1 US credit. (e.g., one ECTS course at 6 credits = 3 US credits; 3 ECTS credits = 1.5 US credits).

- Transfer course(s) may be equated to an IIT course in another major, or listed as TRF 999 if there is no equivalent course at IIT.
Courses identified for transfer which carry 6 ECTS credits should be equated to a single 3-credit course at Illinois Tech.

Courses carrying 3 ECTS or 4.5 ECTS credits are equal to 1.5 or 2.25 US credits (respectively), therefore two such courses must be transferred to equal a single 3-credit course at Illinois Tech. Accordingly, it would require four (4) entries for the External Transfer Request. For example:

1. ‘Integrated Manufacturing Systems’ (3 ECTS credits/semester), graded B, is listed as equivalent to INTM 502 Industrial Engineering Applications (2 credits).
2. ‘Industrial Complexes’ (3 ECTS credits/semester), graded B, is listed as equivalent to INTM 502 Industrial Engineering Applications (1 credit).
3. ‘Supply Chain Management’ (4.5 ECTS credits/semester), graded A, is listed as equivalent to INTM 441 Supply Chain Management (2 credits).
4. ‘Human Resources & Work Organization’ (3 ECTS credits/semester), graded A, is listed as equivalent to INTM 441 Supply Chain Management (1 credit).

The primary transfer subject identified as equivalent in nature to an IIT course should carry the heavier weighting (2 credits) on the IIT side.
Internal Transfer Request

- Academic advisor approval is required prior to taking a course from another major
- The ‘Course Required’ field should indicate an INTM course you don’t plan to take in the future
- If the course will be applied towards a specialization, the ‘Course Required’ field should be a specialization course you don’t plan to take in the future
- Certain BUS 4xx courses do not feed into Degree Works automatically and must be manually added to a student record after a grade has been posted
Course Substitution Request

- Use this eForm to apply a general elective course or INTM 597 project towards a specialization
- Complete ‘Course Required’ field with an INTM course you don’t plan to take in the future
Ongoing Academic Advising

At any point during your studies at Illinois Tech, please feel free to contact your academic advisor to discuss course options, career goals, or other matters of importance.

All students must consult with an academic advisor before submitting an eForm or registering for courses outside the INTM department.

Due to advisors’ changing schedules, we recommend booking an appointment with your academic advisor using

https://intm.youcanbook.me
Questions?

Please send an email to your academic advisor or the INTM office (intm@iit.edu)