BEFORE YOU REGISTER FOR CLASSES, START HERE:

Congratulations! You are about to prepare to register for your first semester of classes at Gustavus. Grab your computer, the Advising & Registration Manual (ARM) and other materials you received in the mail. Use them to review information, complete requirements, and learn about your options prior to your registration appointment.

Follow the checklist below:

- Complete the General Education Preference Form by May 31
  The General Education Preference Form is available at gustavus.edu/firstyear/select/. Review the two General Education options and indicate your preference. Choose either Liberal Arts Perspective or Three Crowns Curriculum as your way to fulfill general education requirements. For similarities and differences, refer to the enclosed Advising & Registration Manual (ARM). Details for both options can be found in the academic catalog under Requirements for Graduation.

  After June 6, your FTS or CUR course(s) will show in WebAdvisor (log in, choose Students, look under Academic Profile for My Class Schedule).

  If you choose Liberal Arts Perspective:
  Review the enclosed FTS course descriptions and indicate your top 5 FTS courses* on the Preference Form. You will be enrolled in one of those FTS courses for Fall semester. Next, you will need to choose 3 more courses.

  *If you have an intended major for which required first semester classes meet at only one time, like Physics, be sure to choose FTS sections that don't meet at that time. Consult the First Year Course Schedule in WebAdvisor for meeting days and times for all first-year courses.

  If you choose Three Crowns Curriculum:
  Complete the application at gustavus.edu/threecrowns/apply. Once you are accepted into the program, you will be enrolled in CUR100 and CUR140 for Fall semester. Next, you will need to choose 2 more courses.

- Search for Classes
  Detailed course descriptions, including FTS class descriptions, can be found using the WebAdvisor link on the Enrollment Information webpage (click on Search for Classes under Course Information).

- Review major requirements
  Identify majors you are considering and classes required. You don’t have to commit to a major, just keep the options open. Check out all available majors online and details about registering in the ARM.

  Not all courses are offered every semester, especially science, math, music, and language courses.

  Be careful to start a sequence in the fall for majors in biochemistry and molecular biology, biology, chemistry, elementary and secondary education, nursing, physics, and sciences for pre-professional interests, music, math, and computer science.

  If you are planning to complete pre-requisites for interests in health professions, please refer to the Academic Catalog or Health Professions websites as well as the ARM for detailed information.
Choose electives
Search for courses that you would like to take as electives. Look for subjects that interest you and/or subjects you know nothing about. Consider possible minors or concentrations.

Scholarships: You may have a special Scholarship (art, music, theatre) that requires you to register for a course or lesson.

Music: If you received a music scholarship or award, be sure to follow requirements. See instructions in the Music section of the ARM. Register for the appropriate audition (MUS-090-__) and lesson (MUS-200’s__) found in the MUS section.

Athletics: You may receive credit toward your requirements by playing a varsity sport. Your last class of the day for varsity sport athletes should end by 3:30 p.m. Register for that team to receive credit toward your ACT (activity) requirement (HES-150’s__).

Plot courses and bring with you to Gustie Gear-Up!
List majors you are considering:

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List major courses with a sequence that begins in the fall:

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List other major courses you would like to begin with:

_________________________  ______________________
List courses you would like to take as electives:

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Use the enclosed Weekly Planning Sheet to plot the classes you are interested in taking. Be sure to write down the 5 digit number found in parenthesis after the course number and section (e.g. PSY-100-001-(36111) General Psychology).

Choose your main courses first, include the FTS or CUR course(s) you are enrolled in.
Next, add lab times and fitness classes since they have more than one time option.
Remember to include music and athletics on your schedule.

Submit all final transcripts
If you are you bringing in PSEO, IB, AP, College in the Schools, or online coursework credits, you must request a transcript be sent from the institution you received credit, to the Office of Admissions at Gustavus. Refer to the ARM under Advanced Placement Credits for details. Remember to have your final high school transcript sent, too.

Take placement exams by June 6
Complete language placement exam. Most students will need to take a language placement exam before registering for a non-English language course, especially if you plan to take a course this fall. See ARM for details.

Complete calculus placement exam, if necessary. If your major requires calculus and you might take it this fall, you will likely need to take the calculus placement exam. See ARM for details.

REMEMBER:
You are registering for Fall Semester only.
You should register for at least 3.75 courses, but not for more than 4.8
The Rule of Thirds: You need 34 courses to graduate. About 1/3 for your major, 1/3 for either Liberal Arts Perspective or Three Crowns Curriculum, and 1/3 for elective courses – anything you want to take. All courses fulfill a requirement. Some courses will fulfill a major and general education requirement at the same time.
Be sure to read the Gustavus Honor Code in the ARM. You will be asked to sign the Course Request form at Gustie Gear-Up! stating you agree to abide by the Honor Code.