



## Finish in 4

This is the pledge for the freshman class of 2020 only.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to:

- Follow the curricular plan for my intended undergraduate major upon entry\* to Dominican College (College). This includes meeting academic standards for entrance into and continuance in this major.
- Make sure I have approved major status by the end of my second year (or completion of 60 credits).
- Earn at least 30 credits per academic year and maintain good academic standing as per the College's Academic Standards policy. (Missing credits may be made up during the College's Winter and Summer Special Sessions. Separate tuition must be paid for these Special Session courses AP and dual enrollment credits from high school may be used to help meet these credit requirements).<sup>1</sup>
- Contact my academic advisor or the New Student and Transition Center (NSTC) within one week of my enrollment date if I am unable to register for a required class in the curricular plan for my major.
- Remain continuously enrolled on a full-time basis for four years (fall and spring terms).

\*If you change your major, the terms of this pledge will only remain if the advisor for your new major confirms you can graduate within four years of your original start date at the College.

I understand that Dominican College is under no obligation to offer in the subsequent semester a course or courses required for my intended major that I did not achieve the minimum required passing grade in. I also understand that if I am able to repeat such a course or courses in the subsequent semester that I will need to take an additional course or courses that semester (or in the Winter or Summer Special Session) in order to remain on track to remain enrolled in the "Finish in 4" pledge.

I understand that this pledge pertains to one major only. While some students are able to graduate within four years with two majors, the College cannot guarantee this outcome as scheduling conflicts between program requirements may occur. Similarly, this policy does not

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<sup>1</sup> Note: Some professional programs require more than 120 credits for a degree. In some semesters, students in these programs will need to take more than 15 credits in order to remain on pace and will be charged a fee (currently \$425 per credit) for each credit above 17.

pertain to dual degree programs (e.g., the B.S./M.S. in Occupational Therapy) or programs that require completion at another institution (e.g., B.A. Biology/B.S. Bioengineering).

I understand if I do not meet the obligations above, I am no longer eligible for the College to provide me with the opportunity to complete the courses required for my undergraduate degree free of any tuition and comprehensive fee charges or honor a course waiver or substitution.

I understand I must also adhere to the following actions and behaviors, which correlate to academic success and achieving timely progress toward an undergraduate degree:

- As per College policy, choose a major no later than the completion of 60 credits (if I began as an undecided student).
- Respond to outreach and utilize suggested intervention and/or resources that may be provided to me personally or as part of my academic program.
- Communicate with my academic advisor at least once a semester and seek assistance immediately when I experience academic difficulty.
- Monitor my academic progress regularly using the College's Portal.
- Conduct all academic and business-related tasks on time (e.g. scheduling appointments, registering for classes, resolving holds on my academic record, completing financial aid application/forms).
- Maintain continuous enrollment at Dominican College or in an officially approved off-campus study program (e.g., Study Abroad) for eight consecutive semesters following the date of my original matriculation. (Prior to beginning such a program, I must secure approval of specific courses certifying these courses will allow me to stay on track.)
- Ensure that all registration holds are settled prior to the end of the registration period and that I register before the published end date of the registration period.
- Read my College email daily.

I understand that Dominican College pledges to:

- Provide academic advisement each semester appropriate to my major.
- Offer needed sections and seat capacity in required courses as per curricular plans or provide for an appropriate substitution. (I understand that specific course sections are not guaranteed and that as a result of this, I may need to enroll in a course section that is not my first choice.)
- Monitor my academic progress every semester and conduct outreach regarding my progress, and suggested interventions.
- Conduct individualized outreach that identifies actions to be taken by me to support me in meeting all of the requirements and suggested behaviors/actions on this pledge.
- Provide me the opportunity to complete the College course(s) required for my first degree free of any tuition and comprehensive fee charges, or honor a course waiver or substitution, if I fulfill all obligations of this pledge and am still not able to graduate in four years. This will apply for a fifth year only.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_