

Starting Fall 2023: ONLY classes that apply towards your declared major, are listed in your degree audit, and/or educational plan will be considered for your financial aid award. This does not apply to the [CA College Promise](#) or the [MiraCosta Promise](#).

1) What is the degree audit?

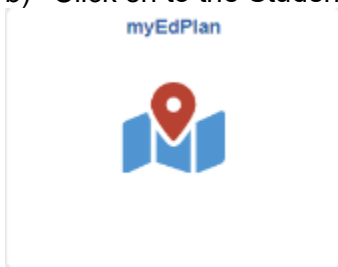
- a) A tool to help you and the counselors *track* your progress in completing your goal at MiraCosta. Your degree audit will list all the courses required to complete your major and goal. Click [HERE](#) for more information on the Degree Audit.

2) What is an education plan?

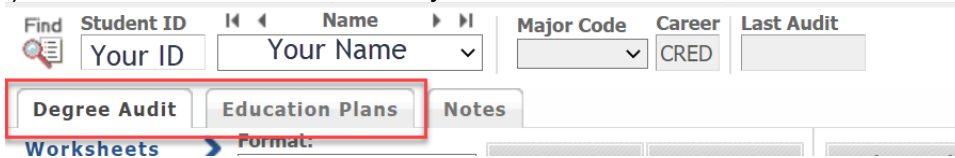
- a) A tool for you and your counselor to *plan* the classes you still need to complete your goal here at MiraCosta. This tool can help you plan your classes from your current semester through your last semester here at MiraCosta. Click [HERE](#) for more information on the EdPlan.

3) How do I check if the classes I picked are on my Education Plan or my Degree Audit?

- a) Login to SURF
- b) Click on to the Student Center, and select the box that says “myEdPlan”



- c) Then click on either tab to see your classes listed



4) How do I get my education plan and degree audit updated?

- a) Schedule an appointment to meet with a counselor by clicking [HERE](#)

5) Which types of financial Aid could be impacted?

- a) All of the below may not necessarily be impacted but could be impacted. If you have questions about how your financial aid could be impacted, please contact the [Financial Aid Office](#).
- b) Types of financial aid that could be impacted:
 - i) Any Federal Financial Aid, including: Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Grant, Federal Direct Loans, and Federal Work Study
 - ii) Some state grants, including: Cal Grant, Student Success Completion Grant, Dreamers Service Incentive Grant

6) How do I update my Educational Goal and/or Major?

- a) https://www.miracosta.edu/student-services/admissions/_docs/student-self-service-major-change.pdf

7) Do I need to notify the Counseling Office or the Financial Aid Office when I make updates to my Education Plan or my Goal/Major?

- a) No, you do not need to notify either office if you make changes to your education plan or your goal/major. The system will automatically update. If there are any necessary adjustments to your financial aid, that will happen automatically.

8) What Educational Goals/Majors are eligible for Financial Aid?

- a) As you update your goal and major in SURF, there will be a message that appears that informs you if what you selected is eligible for financial aid or not. Please see question 6 for instructions.

9) How do I schedule an appointment with a counselor?

- a) Students can schedule appointments with counselors [online](#)! Check out the [Academic Counseling](#) website for more information.

10) What majors are available at MiraCosta?

- a) Check out our majors on the MiraCosta website's catalog! ([23-24 Catalog - Areas of Study](#)).

11) Are prerequisites eligible to be paid through financial aid?

- a) If it is included in your education plan/degree audit and you are eligible to receive financial aid payments then, yes!
- b) If you need to update your education plan or degree audit to include your courses, you can schedule appointments with counselors [online](#). Check out the [Academic Counseling](#) website for more information.

12) Are remedial courses eligible to be paid?

- a) Per financial aid regulations, students may receive aid for up to 30 units of remedial coursework as long as they are included in the degree audit or education plan.

13) Will transfer requirements be eligible to be paid?

- a) If it is included in your education plan/degree audit and you are eligible to receive financial aid payments then, yes.
- b) If you need to update your education plan or degree audit to include your courses, you can schedule appointments with counselors [online](#)! Check out the [Academic Counseling](#) website for more information.

14) What happens if I switch my major during the semester?

- a) Go see a counselor to create an updated education plan. Students can schedule appointments with counselors [online](#). Check out the [Academic Counseling](#) website for more information.
- b) To check if your major change will impact your financial aid, reach out to the [Financial Aid Office](#).

15) Can I go to my own counselor in the program that I already work with (Examples: EOPS, SAS, Veterans, Transfer, ASE Programs) to get my Education Plan and/or Goal/Major updated?

- a) Yes! If you have a counselor that you normally work with through a specific program, they can help you get your education plan and/or goal major updated. We have provided the information on scheduling an appointment with each of the departments below:

EOPS:

- a) To schedule an appointment with an EOPS Counselor, call the EOPS office at (760) 795-6680. You can see their hours and information about their services [here](#).

Student Accessibility Services (SAS):

- a) To schedule an appointment with a SAS Counselor, call the SAS office at (760) 795-6658. You can see their hours and information about their services [here](#).

Military & Veterans Services:

- a) To schedule an appointment with a Veterans Counselor, click [here](#). You can see their hours and information about their services [here](#).

Transfer Counseling:

- a) To schedule an appointment with a Transfer Counselor, call the Transfer Center at (760) 795-6880. You can see their hours and information about their services [here](#).

Academic Success and Equity (ASE) Programs:

- a) To schedule an appointment with your [ASE Program](#) Counselor, ([Umoja](#), [PUENTE](#), [Mana](#), [UPRISE](#), [RAFFY](#), [SPHERE](#), and/or [Transitions](#)) reach out to those programs directly.