EXPLORATORY STUDIES
Why Exploratory Studies?

Gateway to Purdue for beginning students

Opportunity to explore academic and career options

Proactive approach to good decision-making

Temporary-not degree-granting
  - Stay until you make a decision
  - No more than 4 semesters
Our Students are **Proactive**

- Informed students make better decisions!
  - 80% of students in U.S. change major at least once
  - 85% of students who begin in Exploratory Studies graduate in their 1st choice major

- Exploratory Studies students are actively seeking information

- Graduate at the same rate or better than students declaring a major
Exploratory Studies Students Explore!

EDUCATION PSYCHOLOGY (EDPS) 105
“ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLANNING”

- 3 Credits
- Gain Insight Into Career Interests
- Gain Insight Into Personality Characteristics, Strengths And Values
- Learn About World Of Work
- Learn About Majors At Purdue
CHANCE OF DEGREE OBJECTIVE (CODO)

• To move from Exploratory Studies into your intended major you must complete the CODO process.

• CODO Requirements are different for each major:
  - GPA
  - Complete specific courses
What courses will I take?

- **EDPS 10500: Academic & Career Planning** (3 credits)
- **Math** (3 – 5 credits)
- **Science** (3 – 4 credits)
- **English Composition or Communication** (3 – 4 credits)
  - Or **ENGL 110**: Writing, Reading, and Speaking for International Students (3 credits)
- and maybe a **General Elective or Intro Course** to a Major you’re interested in (3 credits)

- General Elective: 3 credits
  - Anthropology
  - Economics
  - History
  - Philosophy
  - Political Science
  - Psychology
  - Sociology
- … and more, depending on your interests!

15 – 17 credit hours = average load
(1 cr. hr. = 50 min. in class)