

Advice for 3-2 Combined Plan CS Students

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Time is of the Essence



You have exactly two years at Columbia

You must take 60 non-transferred points

Average class is 3 points

$60 \div 3 \div 4 = 5$ classes per semester

Flaking out on classes, for whatever reason, is the number one problem combined plan students have.

Extending your time here is nearly impossible.

Advising



I am the CS advisor for Combined Plan students
Email me or stop by for an appointment anytime
(sedwards@cs.columbia.edu)

Your “class dean” can advise on non-CS class questions

I know remarkably little about, e.g., English classes

Intrepid administrator **Clarissa Peña** helps with bureaucracy
(clarissa@cs.columbia.edu)

She's on your side

Importing Classes

Clarissa and I are here to help with the import process

Importing means you skip the class at Columbia; it does not impact the 60 point requirement.

- ▶ Talk to me about classes you want to import/skip
- ▶ I'm happy to approve imports of most basic classes
- ▶ I may refer you to the instructor for advanced classes

Make sure advising@cs.columbia.edu gets information about what classes we have approved

Graduating

Columbia Student Services Online (SSOL: ssol.columbia.edu)

Among other things, has a Degree Audit Report (DAR)

An unreliable indicator of your progress

Your DAR is usually unaware of imports

Not to worry → Clarissa and I clear you to graduate

We follow your transcript and imported classes