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

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60 \div 3 \div 4 = 5 \text{ classes per semester}
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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.
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