# UMD Aerospace Undergraduate Program Guide

## Year 1

**Fall Semester**
- Develop your [4-year degree plan](#)
- Consider an engineering minor
- Get to know [faculty](#) and [labs](#)
- Join Aerospace Engineering Dept. [Facebook page](#)
- Get involved!
  - Join the [AIAA student chapter](#)
  - Check out university organizations on [Orgsync](#)
- Find your balance and ask for help if you need it!
  - [Learning Assistance](#)
  - Clark School [tutoring resources](#)
  - [Counseling Center](#)
- Attend annual career fair

**Spring Semester**
- Plan to study abroad next spring? If so, ensure you have the right schedule!
- Meet with [study abroad](#) to plan your trip and ensure your course schedule stays on track.

## Year 2

**Fall Semester**
- Interested in entrepreneurship? Consider applying for [Hinman CEOs](#)
- Be assigned to your faculty adviser. Contact them to make an introduction!
- Need help with aerospace classes? Contact [Sigma Gamma Tau (SGT)](#)
- Find Co-op and internships! Consult the [Engineering Co-op & Career Services Office](#)
- Attend annual career fair

## Year 3

**Fall semester**
- Attend annual career fair

**Spring semester**
- Best time to possibly study abroad or complete co-op
- Explore options for graduate school. See this helpful [timeline](#) to help plan.
- Complete [Senior Audit](#)

**Summer semester**
- Internship
- Finalize graduate school plans (if applicable)

## Year 4

**Fall semester**
- Fulfill graduation requirements (see below)
- Attend annual career fair
- Apply for fellowships
- Career fair again!

**Spring semester** – Fill out AE Senior Exit Survey

## Graduation

### Paperwork
- [Apply for Graduation](#) at the beginning of the semester you plan to graduate (within first 10 days of classes)
- Complete the college and department senior exit surveys

### Reception & Commencement
- Be sure to pick up your graduation gift from the department and the alumni association at the graduation reception!
- Visit the [commencement website](#) for full event details.
- Join the [Department of Aerospace Engineering LinkedIn group](#) to connect with fellow alumni

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This program guide is intended to provide a broad overview of the undergraduate program in aerospace engineering at the University of Maryland at College Park. It serves as a broad view of the program including requirements, recommendations for best practice, and overview of support services.