



# ADVISING GLOSSARY

**Academic Calendar:** A list of events that are of an academic nature, such as registration dates, add-drop dates, final examination schedule, etc. Find it at [hbu.edu/university-catalog/academic-calendar](http://hbu.edu/university-catalog/academic-calendar).

**Academic Records Office:** Provides services related to creation and maintenance of academic records, including registration assistance, checking progress toward degree completion, certifying enrollment, and providing official transcripts. Contact them at [academicrecords@hbu.edu](mailto:academicrecords@hbu.edu).

**Academic Standing:** An undergraduate must attain the following acceptable minimum GPA to be considered in good academic standing. Those who fail to meet the minimum GPA will be placed on academic warning, then academic probation, then suspension.

0-48 hours = 1.8 GPA

49-72 hours = 1.9 GPA

73 hours and above = 2.0 GPA

**ALEKS:** The placement assessment to determine readiness for various lower-level math courses. Ask your advisor whether you are required to take the ALEKS exam.

**Alternate PIN:** The six-digit code your advisor will provide you with each semester in order for you to register for classes in Husky Net.

**Blackboard:** A learning management system used to deliver online and hybrid courses. Residential courses may also utilize Blackboard to submit assignments and track grades. Access Blackboard through the HBU Portal at [my.hbu.edu](http://my.hbu.edu).

**Career & Calling:** Centralized career resource for all students and alumni, providing services such as resume review, career counseling, graduate school advising, career fairs, etc. Contact them at [careerandcalling@hbu.edu](mailto:careerandcalling@hbu.edu).

**Cashier's Office:** The office responsible for all financial transactions of HBU including tuition payment. Contact them at [cashier@hbu.edu](mailto:cashier@hbu.edu).

**Catalog:** The official source of information regarding academic policies and procedures, admissions information, degree and certificate programs, and course descriptions. Find it at [hbu.edu/university-catalog](http://hbu.edu/university-catalog).

**CRN (Course Reference Number):** The four-digit number tied to a specific course section which is used to register for that course in Husky Net.

**Corequisite:** A requirement (usually another course) that students must take simultaneously.

**Degree Plan:** The official contract listing the full requirements for graduation with a chosen major. The degree plan must be filed by the time a student completes 64 credit hours.

**Degree Works:** An online tool where you and your advisor can monitor your academic progress toward degree completion. Access Degree Works through the HBU Portal at [my.hbu.edu](http://my.hbu.edu).

**FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid):** The form you need to fill out to get any financial aid from the federal government to help pay for college. It must be filled out each year that you are enrolled in college. Access the FAFSA at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov).

