Class Planning Steps CS and CSE

**Step 1**
Generate **Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS):** MyUCLA under Academics

Grab a CS and CSE worksheets:
http://ucla.in/2qWXj7d

Review TBR options:
http://ucla.in/2qWUGCo

Review Sci-Tech options (CS only):
http://ucla.in/2qX3ecj

**Step 2**
Your worksheet is your checklist. Courses may not satisfy more than one requirement. Complete this list and you have completed your degree.

With DARS, Cross off your completed classes on CS/CSE worksheet.

If courses not appearing on DARS: Submit a message to via myUCLA Message Center

**Step 3**
Know your requisites for your remaining courses.
http://ucla.in/2rLYVBn

Some CS classes are term specific see Term offerings website
http://ucla.in/2qX0zzf

Highlight all the courses for which you meet the requisites RIGHT NOW.

**Step 4**
Create tentative academic plan for future quarters.
Prioritize 1-2 required upper div courses a quarter with no more than 1 in your final quarter. Fill in with Elective, GE, TBR, etc

If you need to, you can bring your completed plan to 6426 Boelter Hall, Office of Academic & Student Affairs to review with Counselor

**Planning Tips**

Look ahead to your electives. Are any of them only offered once a year? Plan to complete the requisites in your 3rd year so that in your last year you have the option to take those courses in ANY quarter they are offered.

Plan to complete CS 111 and 180 by Fall of your 3rd year to give you flexibility in your upper div scheduling.

Do not take CS 111 and 131 in the same quarter.

Postponing a course for a specific instructor may limit your options or could delay your graduation.

Remember, you are making a TENTATIVE plan that may change quarter to quarter, it may look different from the 4 yr plan in the back of the Announcement and it may look different from your fellow CS or CSE major. That is okay. Every student has a unique path to degree completion.

A 4 yr, 3 yr, 2 yr plan is a tool to see how many quarters you have left to complete your degree, but it can be stressful if you hold yourself to enroll in exactly those classes. A better scheduling exercise is to additionally make a list of ALL the courses you could enroll in next quarter (based on requisites). You should already have this from Step 3. Now you have a nice list of alternates if a class fills up or there is a time conflict.

**Enrollment Tips**

**First Pass (enroll in up to 10 units):**
Identify core major courses that are smaller, only offered once a year, or that fulfill requisites for an upcoming course that is only offered once a year. (Note: you may not be able to access upper division courses outside of CS in first pass like STATS 100A)

While still taking lower div courses, consider prioritizing your Physics and Math courses for first pass since we do not have control to enroll you if they are full.

**Second Pass (enroll in up to 21 units):**
Identify courses with large enrollments that have not filled in the past, are offered multiple quarters a year, have multiple lectures (unless only one works for your schedule, then consider for first pass)

If Classes are full use (ECR) Enrollment Consideration Form. Submit this early in your enrollment. We may be able to get you into the class before the quarter starts. But there is no guarantee, so have a back up in mind.
http://ucla.in/2r5SQQ9

If you receive a Requisite Error and you have transfer or substitution credit, Submit a message to Academic Counselor via myUCLA Message Center. Include your Section preferences (1A, 1B, Lab 1, etc)

If you are heavily involved in extra-curricular activities, job/internship recruitment, etc, consider this a “course” you are enrolling in and consider scaling back your enrollment to 3 courses so you are not overloaded and can still balance your academics.

Drop Deadlines are strictly enforced:
http://ucla.in/2qs3ilw

**Happy Planning!**