Dear Temple University Student,

Welcome to the College of Science & Technology (CST)! The advisors, faculty, and staff are excited you have chosen our college.

All CST students should complete the ALEKS system as a way of assessing the right math start level at Temple University. Academic success in your first year relies on you taking courses that are appropriate to your current knowledge in those subject areas. Placement in one level is not better or worse than placement in another level – these tests are designed to determine what is right for YOU. Even if you have auto-placed based on your SAT/ACT scores, we recommend you take the math assessment. Beginning in the correct Math course is critical for success in CST.

If you have already received a math assessment based on your SAT/ACT scores or from completing the ALEKS system, the advisor you are working with today can help you register. We recommend you register for a math course based on your math placement result, as all CST majors require math. You can use ALEKS to refresh your math skills throughout the summer to strengthen your foundational skills to help you make a good start come fall.

The CST advising team recommends you register for the following:
- Math 0702, Math 1021, Math 1022, Math 1031, or Math 1041 (based on your placement and intended major)*
- Major Specific Course(s) (granted you meet the pre-requisites / co-requisites)
- An English course based on your English placement assessment
- GenEd course(s)

Use the Undergraduate Temple Bulletin (Academic Plan tab for your major) for additional details: http://bulletin.temple.edu/undergraduate/science-technology/

*Quantitative Literacy GenEds (GQ) are not appropriate for a CST major, as starting in one of these math courses will not allow you to move forward in your math sequencing. If this is your Math placement, you should register for Math 0702.

In order to complete your change of major request, you will be added to a course on Canvas, our Learning Management System. To be added, please e-mail Keith Schweiger (keiths@temple.edu) from your Temple e-mail account. In the course, you will need to watch a presentation about being a new student in CST, and then take our check your understanding quiz. Once you complete the quiz successfully, we will submit the request to officially change your major. Keith will also work with you in finalizing your fall schedule for your new intended major.

Again, welcome to the College of Science and Technology! We look forward to working with you.

Thank you,
CST’s First Year Advising team