

Project:

Design of the student UI with respect to scheduling classes at OSU.

What we know:

- They are currently using Excel spreadsheets, which are available on-line
- Almost every single EECS student at OSU uses this to plan their schedule
- Only two years are visible at a time
- Updated about once or twice a year (very infrequently)
- Painful for advisers to go through every academic plan and check/correct mistakes
- No class description in spreadsheet
- Not easy to see if prerequisites are met (especially if it is a year or more ago)

What we don't know:

- How much time do students take to plan their schedule?
- Would they really plan out all four years at once?
 - How do users feel about planning all four years?
- How often would students update their plans?
- Computer skills of users?
- What other possible users are there?
- Are there any privacy issues or concerns?
- What are the most common mistakes that student's make with regards to scheduling?
- Do users remember what classes they were previously taking with respect to their transcripts?

The “What we don't know” questions will be what directs our research.