Degree Progress Report and What If Options

After login, click SA Self-Service and then STAR for Students. Select the link ACADEMICS. In Academics, select View Degree Progress Report in the Academic Record section. You will see a page that looks like the page below. Click on Go. This will generate an advising transcript.

As in the old version of STAR, the advising transcript first gives a term by term listing of your courses, followed by the advising report which indicates how you are progressing in fulfilling degree requirements (32 courses, minimum GPA of 2.0, language requirement, common requirements, major, minor or concentration requirements).

After generating the report, you can view the report on-line or use the link Receive Email of Transcript as PDF to have a formatted version of the transcript sent to your Holy Cross e-mail account. In order to preserve the confidentiality of this information, you should print the transcript immediately and then delete and empty the email from your mailbox.
What If Options

The **What If Options** allow you to generate a “simulated” advising transcript based on a change of major, minor or concentration or on the addition of a list of courses to your record. To use the **What If** Option in the Degree Progress Report, scroll to the bottom of the Degree Progress Report page. The bottom half of the page looks like this:

If you are undeclared and are thinking about a particular major, you can “add” the new major to your record by clicking on the **Quick What If** button and generating an advising transcript which will evaluate your progress in completing the requirements for that major. Or if you are thinking about taking a particular set of courses, you can add those courses to your record by clicking on the **Course List What If** and generating a “simulated” advising transcript to evaluate how those courses might meet specific degree requirements.

After selecting the **Quick What-If** link, the following page appears.
Enter the new major, minor or concentration in the Plan Override field. In general, the Requirement Plan Term should default to the term the you entered the College. (You do not need to enter any data in the Subplan override field) Select OK to generate the simulated advising transcript. **REMEMBER THAT THIS WILL NOT CHANGE YOUR MAJOR. IT WILL ONLY LET KNOW HOW REQUIREMENTS WILL BE MET IF YOU DO CHANGE YOUR MAJOR.** To make a change of major, see the instructions for Using Change of Plan and Change of Advisor Forms.

After selecting the Course What-If link, the following page appears.

Enter the Subject of the course you would like to “add” to your record and then press the search button to return a valid list of courses. Select the course from
the course list by clicking on the check box. If more than one course is to be added, select the Add button and continue to add courses. When you have finished adding courses, select OK to generate the “simulated” advising transcript. These courses will be listed in your advising report with a notation that they are What-If courses and with a term of 9999 – Future.