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Student: Hi, I was thinking of changing my major and I was hoping you could help me.

Consultant: Okay. Why don't you tell me what your current major is and what you're thinking of changing it to.

Student: I'm a Web Designer major and I would like to change to Architecture.

Consultant: That is no problem, is there a reason you want to switch?

Student: Well, I really love buildings and drawings and Architecture match these two activities.

Consultant: Would you consider a career as an engineer, then? Or are you interested in being an architect?

Student: Ummm...I am not so sure.

Consultant: That's fair. You don't need to have those answers right away, but it's smart to be thinking about how switching your major can impact career possibilities.

Student: Hmm... that's a lot to think about.

Consultant: You're right. It is, and I don't want to overwhelm you, but you don't sound like you're fully committed to the idea of switching yet, so I want to make sure we look at this from all angles.

Student: Yeah, that makes sense I guess.

Consultant: Can you tell me what it is you're worried about?

Student: Well, my friend was telling me that architecture is pretty hard and so...I don't know about that.

Consultant: A lot of people worry about that, so what you're feeling is normal. And I want you to know that for some people, yes, architecture is



really hard, but plenty of Students really excel. Also, it's important that you know that it's only possible to change programs in the first year, so there is a time frame on this.

Student: But...how do I know if I'm one of those Students that will excel?

Consultant: I recommend that you do more research about being an architecture major. Really find out as much as you can so that you can make an informed decision. It could be that once you have more information, you'll think you really can succeed.

Student: That makes sense, but I'm not really sure how to research it more. Like....just go around talking to people?

Consultant: You can make an appointment with the head of the architecture program. Administrators are always happy to speak to Students, especially when it means helping Students in their college career. We all want to make sure you're on the right path for you. It wouldn't be good if you did switch over, but then realized you didn't like architecture and wanted to switch back.

Student: Okay. So, I'll do the research and then try to figure things out.

Consultant: Great, that sounds like a solid plan. Remember, that you can always come back and talk to me if you think that would help. Also, it can be a good idea to talk the idea over with your family.

Student: Alright. I'm sure I can do that. Thanks for all your help.

Consultant: Good luck.

Student: See you.