

SVC Student Achievement Strategy: Student Advising

Student Advising is a team effort and shared responsibility involving Counselors, Navigators, and Instructional Faculty who communicate regularly and work together to proactively support students in a designated pathway.

Beginning in 2017, students will have mandatory contacts (checkpoints) with an advisor:

- Prior to first-quarter registration. Students will be asked to select a Meta-Major and will be enrolled in appropriate First Quarter Experience (FQE) coursework. Most students will receive this advising in a Cardinal Take-Off Session.
- Prior to second-quarter registration. Students will be advised for second-quarter classes with the assistance of an advisor connected to the FQE. Most students will develop a 2-year educational plan in the FQE.
- Prior to third-quarter registration: Students will be advised for third-quarter classes based on their educational plan and with the assistance of their assigned advisor.
 - After third-quarter registration: Specific student groups may be required to receive mandatory advising in subsequent quarters based on student type (e.g. Running Start, MyCAA, VA, TRiO) or earning Satisfactory Academic Progress. For example, students exhibiting signs of difficulty (Academic Alert, Probation, Drop, etc.) may be required to meet with their advisor until they can demonstrate adequate progress.

Timeline for Implementation:

- SVC's Advising Policy was submitted to Governance Steering Committee in December 2016.
- It is anticipated that SVC's Advising Policy will be implemented by Fall 2017.

Person responsible: Dave Paul

FAQ's:

Question: Where will new SVC students with previous college credit be advised?

Answer: Students with 30 or more credits from another college will develop an educational plan with the assistance of a Navigator or Counselor. The student will be assigned an advisor upon completion of the educational plan.

Question: Who will be the student's advisor in the student's first quarter?

Answer: Students will be advised by the Navigator or Counselor assigned to the FQE

Question: When would a student be assigned to a faculty advisor?

Answer: That will depend on the readiness of the student. Some students may be assigned to a faculty advisor during the FQE. Others will be assigned to a faculty advisor prior to enrolling for their third quarter classes.

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