

Council of Undergraduate Academic Advisors

January 21, 2015

Minutes

Present: Charlie Andrews (UE Advising); Vanessa Merine (Transfer & Transition Services); Shimon Cohen (Arts & Sciences); Jacky Diaz (Arts & Sciences); Lili Solorzano (Honors); Craig McGill (NACADA State Rep); Helen Gonzalez (Advising Tech); Geneva Munoz (Admissions); Hugo Jimenez (Advising Tech); Aisha Williams (Architecture); Wendy Kutchner (OneStop); Joann Marn (Dietetics); Angela Bullard (Business); Ayssa (SAAC); Arlene Garcia (Retention & Graduation); Gaby Esteves (Study Abroad); Susy Gomez (Study Abroad); Jamie Perez (National Student Exchange); Korrin Anderson (Orientation).

-2014 FTIC Cohort Retention Update

- Disagreement about 30-40 students as to whether they are in official cohort or not.
- OPIR needs to send final #s for this cohort.
- 84% of the cohort are enrolled for Spring 2015.
- In terms of metrics, we get credit for students if they return in Fall 2015.
- Efforts should focus on: 1) retaining students in good standing through Fall 2015; 2) Outreach to 130 students who were in good standing and did not return for Spring; 3) Work with 456 students with less than 2.0 gpa to improve gpa and retain through Fall.

-Fall grades/Spring enrollment review – issues, concerns, ideas?

- Suggestion for centralizing messages sent to students. Support offices working together with OneStop so students aren't receiving duplicate messages.
- Suggestion to have CUAA members work with Enrollment Services on any committees or work groups.
- Wendy Kutchner will bring revamped all-in-one form that will be used for multiple purposes so that CUAA can provide input.

-Committee Updates:

- Policy – Will be meeting on Friday. Advising award system will be redesigned. Survey will be sent to advisors to get feedback on what kinds of awards to give out. Also, working on universal student learning outcomes for advising community.
- Transfer – Working on develop a consistent structure for Transfer orientation. Will be meeting in February. Charlie suggested that this group work to help develop transfer student milestones for advising holds to help Student Success advising work group.
- Technology -- Finalize survey going out to advising community asking questions about GSI & advising tools and what advisors feel are effective. Working to migrate advising website (Moodle site) originally created by April and others in UE. Another issue they're working on is training on how to run and use queries in advising. Also, creating an offshoot of advising website for CUAA. Lastly, standardizing social media use in advising.
- Forum – Meeting next week. Anyone interested in joining subcommittee can let Charlie know. Charlie has reached out to NACADA and obtained a list of potential speakers. Karen Boston is a potential speaker.

-New Alerts system – NOW LIVE!

- Breakdown of alerts will be emailed to CUAAs members.

-Panthersoft Modification for Early Alerts – NOW LIVE!

- All instructors with access to PS roster can flag students in their courses with an early alert that will be sent to the advisors. Only mandatory for Title V courses (only those students receive holds).

-Spring Professional Advisors Meeting – Thursday, February 5 from 9:30-12

-Roundtable – Announcements, etc.

- Study Abroad Fair – 1/28/2015 10am to 3pm. New study abroad scholarship now available.
- FIU signing day first week of February. Ayssa will send out email.
- National Student Exchange is recruiting for next school year. Information sessions will take place in January and February of 2015.
- Deadline for Submissions for Annual Conference in Las Vegas is Feb 26th. Regional conference is in Auburn, AL this year. Drive-in will be held at MDC Kendall -- May 15th. Proposals will be due Feb. 12th. Drive-in is free, but it's first come, first serve. Helen and Craig working on creating a FLACADA website.
- Warning & Probation holds and RVS holds will be placed next week or the week after. Hugo will send out email reminder. All undergrad students below a 2.0 will receive a RWP hold; RVS is by dept request.
- Student Life award nominations are due Friday – categories including leadership, spirit, diversity, etc. Provost approved mandatory transfer orientation. Query request in for those who complete the online piece of transfer orientation. College needs to let Orientation know if they would like to do evening and/or Saturday orientation dates. Also, feedback on how the college would like to structure the advising piece. Registration for Freshman Orientation starts Feb. 2nd. 40 new peer advisors have been selected.
- International Student Workshop being held by Transfer & Transition Services. Next Friday the 30th.
- MDC & BC transfer guides will be available on T & TS website.

Next CUAAs Meeting:

Friday, February 20th, 2014 @ 2PM in GL 220

NOTE: Spring Advisors Forum will take place Tuesday, March 10th from 8:30AM to 5:00PM GC Ballrooms.