

Fall 2006 Undergraduate Academic Advisor Workshop
August 25, 2006
Tate Student Center

8:30—9:00 a.m.

Registration – Downstairs Lobby

Continental Breakfast and Advisor Mixer – Georgia Hall

9:00—9:10 a.m.

Welcome – Dr. Ann Crowther, Associate Vice President for Instruction – Georgia Hall

Session I

9:10—10:10 a.m.

Plus/Minus Grade System and the new Guaranteed Tuition Policy – Georgia Hall

Ms. Rebecca Macon, the University of Georgia's Registrar, will discuss how these policies impact students. The Plus/minus grading system affects students academically in the calculation of their GPA for meeting University policies and regulations. The guaranteed tuition policy is intended to encourage students to graduate from the University of Georgia within four years. The fixed tuition rate at the University of Georgia is set for \$1,946 per semester for the fall 2006 entering class.

Moderator: Sharon Spink, Honors Program

Concurrent Session II

10:15—11:45 a.m.

Tips for New Advisors (2A) – Room 137

All new advisors will benefit from this in-depth look at the Core Curriculum with veteran advisor, Paul Welch. Also presented will be tips from Assistant Registrar, Donna Mitchell, including how to read an audit, how courses are processed through the audit, and whom to call if a course is not where it should be on the audit. Join us for these plus other topics facilitated during question and answer.

Moderator: Heather McEachern, College of Public Health

Multiple Roundtable Discussion for Experienced Advisors (2B) – Reception Hall

This session is intended to provide a forum for experienced advisors to develop strategies and present ideas that impact the role of advising on campus by providing an opportunity to share information with each other and discuss their ideas about the following topics: how to advocate for professional development opportunities, the challenges and rewards of academic advising, fostering advisor-advisee relationships and academic advising as a profession.

Moderator: Jamie Lewis, College of Education

Lunch Sponsored by the Career Center

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Georgia Hall)

Session III

12:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Advising Special Populations – Reception Hall

Both new and experienced advisors can get stumped when working with students with unique needs. Students in academic difficulty risk falling through the cracks. But if advisors and academic counselors team up and learn from each other, we can cut down on the number of students lost to dismissal. Student athletes have especially busy schedules and sometimes need additional guidance from advisors when mapping out their courses in advance. International students are not only adjusting to a new school, but also to a new country and culture! And who hasn't met with a pre-professional student, on a track such as Pre-Law or Pre-Med, and felt you did not give them adequate information about program prerequisites or career possibilities because you were not so sure yourself? Join Tinisha Parker, Glada Horvat, Leigh Poole, and Cathy Clutter as they describe their roles and offer tips on how we can work together to more effectively advise these students.

Moderator: Kelly Harris, College of Education

Session IV

2:10-3:10 p.m.

A+ Advising for Undecided Students – Reception Hall

Learn eight quick and easy ways to add value to undecided students' advising experiences based upon where they seem to fall on three primary continuums: Undecidedness about their Major, Undecideness about their Career, and Stress Level about their Undecideness! You will participate in a hands-on activity to help you step into the shoes of an undecided student, and will then gain interesting insights from several Career Consultants, including a new Career Consultant who will specialize in serving undecided students.

Moderator: Lisa Lowe, Career Center

Session V

3:15 – 4:15

UGA Career Center Open House - Clark Howell Hall, 2nd floor

If you send a student to the Career Center, do you know what they will experience? If not, and especially if you haven't been to the Career Center recently, this Open House is a great opportunity to get the "students eye view" of its many resources. See for yourself where students go when they go to the Career Center's "walk-in hours", or for an appointment with a Career Consultant, or for a job interview, or to use the Student Employment Office and Computer Lab, or the Career Library. You will also be able to view demonstrations of helpful online tools, and receive special access to resources that will further enable you to see things from a student's perspective. In addition, Career Consultants will be on hand to answer your questions about the services of the Career Center, and anyone who stops by will be able to enter a special drawing for great prizes!

Please plan to attend! Even a small amount of time at the Career Center will help you to "Get Connected" in a big way!