Academic advising is a purposeful, collaborative teaching and learning process integral to the educational experience at Delaware State University. Student’s relationships with academic advisors will provide sustainable support, information, and resources contributing to self-discovery and personal growth. In partnership, advisor and advisee will develop and pursue meaningful educational plans and activities compatible with the student’s values, abilities, career aspirations, and life goals.

### Student Learning Objectives and Outcomes

#### Objective 1: Program Comprehension

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<td>1. Have an understanding of program expectations.</td>
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<td>2. Be aware of all prerequisites and course sequence.</td>
<td>After each semester</td>
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<td>3. Understand &amp; can articulate how their program fits in to long term goals.</td>
<td>By the end of the 4th semester</td>
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#### Objective 2: Educational Planning

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<td>1. Be able to plan long &amp; short term goals</td>
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<td>2. Be able to integrate academic &amp; personal interest to enhance or support goals.</td>
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<td>3. Will have enhanced understanding of the transitional points within the program.</td>
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#### Objective 3: Student Responsibilities

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<td>1. Actively engage in individualized advising session</td>
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<td>2. Know advisors expectation regarding schedule</td>
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<td>3. Cultivate decision making skills</td>
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#### Objective 4: Campus Resources

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<td>1. Demonstrate knowledge of university</td>
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<td>2. Acquire and demonstrate awareness of university support services</td>
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<td>3. Actively use MY DESU services; email, banner web, etc.</td>
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<td>4. Have active knowledge of academic calendar deadlines</td>
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What is Advising?

Academic Advising is a cooperative relationship between advisees and advisors for the purpose of guiding and empowering students to achieve their academic goals and to optimize their college experience while meeting University requirements.
Recommended Calendar of Activities

**FALL SEMESTER**

**August**
- Check Your MY DESU account for updates & notices
- Check courses to determine if they are aligned w/ POS
- Verify start date & end date of the drop add period
- Check schedule to determine location & time of classes
- Review syllabus, if needed, making appointments with professor
- Identify books, websites and study aides for each class.
- Use a planner
- Visit your academic advisor, if needed, during the first week of school
- Evaluate your current academic behavior to if modification are needed

**September**
- Review each syllabus to determine professor expectation & deadlines
- Make an appointment with your advisor to discuss academic and career goals
- Connect with tutoring service, quantitative math lab, writing lab, etc.
- Learn about community resource and workshops
- Attend meeting specific to major
- Schedule an appointment with support services
- Check Your MY DESU account for updates & notices

**October**
- Prepare for Midterm exams
- Check Your MY DESU account for updates
- Make appointment with professor to determine status of course work
- Check in with advisor to develop a plan of action for the duration of the semester
- Schedule an appointment with support services
- Visit Career Service to complete a career assessment; explore career options.

**November**
- Schedule an appointment for advisement to review POS and to determine next sequences of classes.
- Schedule appointment for registration
- Register for Spring courses
- Check Your MY DESU account for updates & notices

**December**
- Prepare for finals exams
- Check Your MY DESU account for updates & notices
- Check your grades
- Schedule appointment with advisor, if needed to make adjustment in schedule.
- Over Winter Break check MY DESU to determine fiscal responsibility.
- Make sure Spring schedule is correct
- Take professional test (NLN, Praxis I, Praxis II)
# SPRING SEMESTER

## January
- Check Your MY DESU account for updates & notices
- Check courses to determine if they are aligned w/ POS
- Verify start date & end date of the drop add period
- Check schedule to determine location & time of classes
- Review syllabus, if needed, making appointments with professor
- Identify books, websites and study aides for each class.
- Use a planner
- Visit your academic advisor, if needed, during the first week of school
- Evaluate your current academic behavior to if modification are needed

## February
- Visit Career Services
- Meet with professors
- Meet with advisor to discuss Summer School Options
- Use Planner
- Take professional test (NLN, Praxis I, Praxis II)
- Mid-Term Preparation
- Visit international Service about study abroad opportunities

## March
- Check email to determine academic advisement period
- Schedule appointment with advisor for registration
- Check in professor to determine academic standing
- Visit Career Service for internship opportunity
- Check in with Student Service to determine if all obligations are met

## April
- Check in Professor about academic standing
- Prepare for end of semester and FINAL EXAM
- May an appointment with advisor, if needed.
- Consult with Student Supports
CEHPP Resources

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Distance Learning/Blackboard  
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