

Academic Advising Coordinating Council

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- I. Welcome
- II. The presentation of the minutes of the last meeting of the council, their corrections, if any, and their adoption
 - a. Presented meeting minutes from September 25, 2020. Approved.
- III. Summer 2021 Course Registration (Khristina Gallagher & Nancy Byron): There are approximately 4000 students registered for summer already. Summer school promotional post cards will be sent to home addresses and set to arrive during December break. Slideshow with clickable links will be emailed to AACC members after the meeting. Eliminated bus advertisements and other print communication this year. Instead, more emphasis on digital flyers, promotional emails. Email kgallagher@uga.edu with any questions or comments.
- IV. Updates from Campus Partners
 - a. Career Center (Maggie O'Brien): Updated website launched in August/September. All virtual resources housed in one location. Career Center services are entirely virtual. First Career Fair of spring semester taking place early February. Consultant drop-ins and appointments being conducted on Zoom. Mentor program now including 20-30 minute informational interviews with alums. Please continue to promote mentor program. Justin Burnley and team have developed award-winning Career Center eLC modules. Please see <https://www.math.uga.edu/transfer-credit> for more information about the Career Center virtual resources.
 - b. Office of Academic Advising Services (Julia Butler-Mayes): Essential Advising Support funds remain. Please email ideas for utilizing these funds to Julia. Sage team working on another level of Sage training. If you or anyone on your team has innovative ways of using Sage which could be shared with other advisors, please email Julia. Advisor Awards call for nominations will go out the first week of December with late January deadline and decisions in late February in time for March NACADA submission deadline. No significant changes to award or process this year.
 - c. Office of Admissions (Larry Cloud & Tori Tanner)
 - i. Spring Orientation Updates: Registration opened on Monday, with high number of students having registered already. Still 900 transfer students who have not yet registered, so there may be an additional orientation date. There is a high

desire from transfers to attend in-person orientation. UGA 101 modules are not available until November 30th. Modules are updated and refreshed.

- ii. Early Action Decisions: Decisions come out today. Office of Admissions blog posts incoming student profile.
 - iii. Summer Orientation: Staff working on various contingencies for summer orientation.
 - iv. Parent and Family portal has launched and has approximately 1300 individuals. Includes campus updates and resources.
 - v. Orientation Leaders applications open next Monday. Interview process will be virtual this year. Forthcoming email from Tori.
- V. Reports of the Chair: Spring semester meetings will continue on Fridays and virtual format. Consider submitting items to The Advising Oracle to recognize accomplishments of colleagues. It's a great way to recognize staff achievements and share news with the wider advising community.
- VI. Unfinished Business
- VII. New Business
- a. Advising Training Materials Update (Mike Merva): Moving forward with plans. Next step is for committee members to decide on most important outcomes for advisors out of the many articulated outcomes. Proposal to make training modules part of the advising certificate curriculum. Spring monthly meetings tentatively set. Other updates: Brown Bag committee is making spring plans to tentatively include Office of Institutional Diversity, Religious Literacies, Pre-Professional Office, and campus walk. Advising Certificate: call for teachers for spring certificate courses. Pharmacy will begin advising pre-pharmacy students starting in May 2021. Franklin College will no longer advise pre-pharmacy students after that time.
 - b. SAGE Faculty Progress Survey & Student Check-In Survey (Naomi Norman): Launched faculty progress survey for small group of classes and had good response from faculty. Planning to disseminate again in spring with slightly larger group of classes. Launched student check-in survey October 30th. Sent to approximately 38,000 students, and received 4718 responses with 1180 who provided contact information. All students who provided contact information received a follow up from either Julia Butler-Mayes (undergraduates) or The Graduate School.
 - c. Connect & Complete Retention Framework Proposal (Maggie Blanton & Chase Hagood): Worked to re-envision and rewrite the UGA retention policy following directive to investigate the transfer out phenomenon. Holistic retention framework approach focusing on strengths-based, transparent, early intervention, student persistence focused while leveraging current resources and partnerships. Connect & Complete.
 - d. Instructional Formats (Blake Dye): Registrar's Office has added instructional formats in Athena. Definitions of the various formats can be viewed on reg.uga.edu.
 - e. Bulldog Basics (Cara Simmons): E-store has launched. Most popular items include face coverings, deodorant and mouth wash. Now includes an online wish list. Open to all students. <https://www.fcs.uga.edu/ssac/bulldog-basics>.
- VIII. Adjournment

Academic Advising Coordinating Council Mission Statement:

Representing undergraduate academic advisors from all University of Georgia schools and colleges, the Academic Advising Coordinating Council will provide expertise, leadership, and support for the academic advising needs of the university community. Through best practices in training, mentoring, research, and evaluation, the Council will maintain excellence in academic advising and facilitate student success, retention, and degree completion.