



Academic Advising

The goal of undergraduate academic advising at the School of Education and Human Development is to work with students and support them in the successful and timely completion of their undergraduate studies. Toward that end, academic advisors perform various functions that include:

- Providing information about majors and minors within the school as well as within the university as a whole
- Working closely with students in putting together a Course Advising Plan (CAP) that will enable students to complete their coursework in a timely fashion, while taking into consideration individual interests, plans (e.g. study abroad), and needs.
- Assisting students in navigating the complex web of undergraduate education
- Providing students with information and linking them to university resources (e.g. Academic Resource Center, writing Center, Counseling Center, etc.) that can enhance their university experience and help them meet their individual goals.
- Monitoring students' academic progress and assisting them in coming up with a plan of action in such cases where their academic performance is jeopardizing their ability to continue in their program of studies.

Undergraduate students at the School of Education and Human Development (SOEHD) receive academic advising through the SOEHD Undergraduate Office. Dr. Shawn Post is the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies at the School of Education. Dr. Scot Evans is the Director of the HSD major. Ms. Gina Astorini is the Director of Undergraduate Academic Services and is also the academic advisor for all HSD students. Together, we are here to work with you on making the most of your undergraduate studies.

As a student, you play a vital role in the advising process. Each semester you are required to make an appointment to meet with your Academic Advisor in order to review your progress toward degree completion. During initial advising your Academic Advisors will create a Course Advisement Plan (CAP) with you to assist in planning your program of study. This process is designed to ensure that you are on track to fulfilling the requirements for graduation in an appropriate time frame. Your Academic Advisor is available to assist you in meeting your goals, addressing questions and concerns, and making your undergraduate studies a success.

Each semester, SOEHD Academic Advisors send an email to students directing them to sign up for an advising appointment on the SOE website. It is your responsibility to respond to these emails and sign up for an advising appointment. While we are here to help you and are eager to work with you, signing up for and attending the advising session is your responsibility. The ultimate responsibility for your program of study rests with you.