Council for Undergraduate Academic Advising (CUAA)

December 16th, 2016

Minutes

I. Welcome

• Introductions

II. Vertically Integrated Projects (vip.fiu.edu)

- Introducing a program that they are trying to make university wide. Currently housed at Georgia Tech. Program that allows interdisciplinary students to work on projects together. Courses are available on panther soft. Will send courses. Students can take up to 12 credits. Would like us to pass the word on. Provides the opportunities for students to get real life experience to help with career. Integrates the courses into curriculum. Is working with faculty to help with the projects (faculty led). fortega@fiu.edu for more information.
- Example projects: Skill core—train playing soccer. BOLO (Be on the lookout) –collaboration with Pinecrest PD. Can view the projects on the website

III. NC Grade

• Will have to look into how NC grades will affect PACE. Students will get a message explaining it. Only for first year students and only those who received Ds and Fs in UCC courses. Message will go out after grades. NC grades will be given based on: Credits (higher credits will get NC before labs, lower credit courses), math courses, then alphabetical. Max two a semester. Only eligible for 4, and can only be applied for the first three semesters. Will have a reversal process to change the NC grade if the students wants. Advisors will be able to view original grades moving forward. Will be added to catalog.

IV. SLS 1993 – Strategies for Success

• Student success team. Students from the freshmen cohort who are on warning or probation as of this semester, will be sent a message encouraging them to take the course. At some point it will be

mandatory. Advisors are encourage students to take the course as well. A student who fails SLS 1501 but take this course and pass it can replace SLS 1501.

V. 90-Credit Check Progress Update

 Inquiring how this went. Conversations were discussed about what worked and what did not. Holds were placed on students who had applied for graduation.

VI. FIU Advisors' Conference (Spring Advisors' Forum)

• Trying to change name to include conference. Jacky will be sending out decorating contest information. Will be looking for volunteers help day of.

VII. First Year Student Engagement Opportunities

Will be revamping GSI and working towards more engagement. Will
try to brand all engagements as FYE @ FIU. Will be a collaborative
effort to showcase engagement at FIU. Steering committee will roll
out in the spring with the hope to kick off the FYE for the next
incoming class. Departments to send out stuff that you are doing with
your first year students along with contact person to create a master
list.

VIII. College/School Updates

- CASE: Re-instatements—if you are redirecting students to CASE, it all have to be appointment based. Will need to meet with an advisor by January 3rd and have until the 4th to meet with a director. Have them call 305-348-2978 (general number) to get contacted with advisor.
- Honors college: Applications have been posted. Link is posted on fiu portal for all who qualify.

IX. Friends of Advising Updates

 OneStop: Passing out handouts. Message will be out on my.fiu.edu to inform them about financial aid and when refunds will be available/tuition due. Bills will be going out on Monday. New liaison contact list passed and Spring readiness. Will be putting a help desk table. Will be for staff. Serviced over 13,000 request for online students. Email system: do not cc onestop in emails. Online students will be priority for emails. Academic standing should be running. Will be placing the SAP on students account. NC will run next week. Will not affect financial this time. Next time will run before academic standing. Hours: 9am- 5pm Monday, Thursday, and Friday and 9am-6pm Tuesday and Wednesday. In January, will be using out of the box (rolling out phone app). Will be here until 6pm every day except Friday. Friday, January 6 will be last day for appeals. Will work with financial aid to ensure that if they get them in by that date, they will have a decision before cancellation.

- Hugo: will be piloting a new major map document. Will be interactive and customizations. Will be working with certain majors to see if they want to do it.
- Suggestions was made to invite Laura Castillo to talk about university-wide scholarships.
- Fall mini: move registration up at the time as Fall.
- Jodi: Spring FTIC: Matriculated 475, 181 have enrolled. Ahead by 12% for matriculated and enrolled by 93% 2,697 (Matriculated) 1,382 (enrolled) up by 4% enrollment and matriculated
- AIM: Looking at impact of students taking 30 credits. Only 16% of students who take less than 30 will graduate in 4 years vs. 50% if students take 30 credits. CASE foreign language requirement: Been looking at the % (less than 5) of students who take foreign languages. Will look to see how much students are in excess credit due to language courses. Recommending Spanish for native speakers.

Mark Your Calendar!

Next Meeting:

Friday, January 20th, 2017 2:00pm – 3:30pm SASC 428

FIU Advisors' Conference:

Friday, February 17th, 2017 8:00am – 5:00pm GC Ballrooms

