# Council for Undergraduate Academic Advising (CUAA)

# September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

#### **Minutes**

#### I. Welcome

## II. New Grading System

New grading system has gone into effect. Currently testing it.
 Trying to get rid of the DR grade. Withdrawal codes will be created. Will not affect anything this semester. Still writing communication and will get it out. Grades will not be retroactive. Someone inquired if the new grading system would impact transfer grades. New codes will go live October 2nd

# III. Program Conversions Effective Fall 2016

• All programs conversions have gone into effect and new coding for programs (merging colleges/schools) is underway.

## IV. Add/Drop Form Signature Procedure

• Dean's interpretation: Should it be Dean of the course or Dean the student's major. Decision was decided: it should be the Dean of the college that the course is housed under. It would not need to be the advisor the course fall under, but the student's assigned advisor to ensure that proper channels of clearance has been made. Talks about how to input this into OneStop policy. A suggestion was made to add a note about multiple colleges signatures needed per course.

### V. Orientation and Parent Programs Update

 Peer Advisor and PC facilitation -apps coming out October 28th- November 17. There will be 13 information sessions. Selection workshops will start at the end of November.  Spring Orientation is around the corner. Korrin sent out dates. Students will have to contact office to sign up for the I-75 site. Dec 15 added for Spring. November 3rd is the first

#### VI. CUAA Awards

• Email will he sent out in the next few days about the new system and how to submit application. Passed around descriptions for the awards. All information will go live. Awards will be selected by the awards committee

### VII. Subcommittee Updates

- Policy
  - i. No update
- Technology
  - i. Will be working to develop a GPA calculator that advisors will be able to use.
- Transfer
  - i. No update
- Online
  - i. No update

### VIII. College/School Updates

- CASE: English major will be changing. Will have a core and track model. Literature, Creative Writing, Linguistics, and Writing and Rhetoric.
- CARTA: Advertising and PR program will be merging into a new degree and will be fully online. Will be starting next year.
- COB: Spring admission will be changing. Still 2.5 for transfers. Pre core should be completed. Will be limiting access to upper division courses if not completed. If interested in switching into business. Look at transcripts to see progression and invite them to meet with an advisor in COB. Creating a progression rule that students cannot have

more that two failed attempts or drops for pre core courses will have to change major. Need a 2.5 in pre-core courses. New what if audit that includes transfer courses as well. Will effect Spring 2017 admits and beyond. Attempts will be at FIU only. 3 attempts for core. Rules will be placed in the catalog.

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## IX. Friends of Advising Updates

- TTS: First transfer resource fair. Please spread the word. Connect for Success has the bridge advisors in place at the community colleges. Also hired a Stem Manager.
- Study Abroad: exchange deadline was yesterday. 63 students will be interviewed.
- Mario: Critical courses: When a student isn't doing well and fail courses. Once tried to re-take course, class is full. Inquiring about ways to improve metrics. Put mandatory advising holds on first time students. Suggested that students who think they may be at risk of failing a course to register for next semester to hold their spot in case they do not pass. Inquiring if it would be beneficial to have freshmen register with seniors. Or Advisors have the ability to enroll students before their enrollment appointment.
  - i. Discussion was held. Suggested that maybe math hide certain sections for engineering. Supported early enrollment, proceeding on the air of caution about giving Advisor discretion to enroll. Other suggestions was to do FTIC cohorts.
- Arlene: Civitas training. Contact Connie. ETS training Sept. 28th. Will host a webinar. 1-2:30pm.
- Fresh Success: First generation, pell grant recipient and registered with DRC. 20 spots left.
- Giselle (Career Services): Lots of events coming up. Google was on campus today. Sept. 26 and 27. Technical and Accounting for 26 and 27th for all majors. 150 employers.

New program rolling out. Psychology and beyond. For non-clinical tracks. October 26th 10-5pm. Career fair for SIPA. October 13th on first floor of SIPA building. Events leading up to the career fair.

• Hazel: In a couple of weeks. Love Your Major fair will take place. Open to FIU community. Sept. 29th.

### Mark Your Calendar!

#### **Fall Forum:**

Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 9:00am – 12:00pm GC Middle Ballroom

### **Next Meeting:**

Friday, October 21st, 2016 2:00pm – 3:30pm GL 220

### **Spring Forum:**

Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 9:00am – 5:00pm GC Ballrooms