

ACADEMIC ADVISING COUNCIL AGENDA
Thursday, September 3, 2015
3:30 PM – 4:50 PM
BOCA: EE 106; DAVIE: LA 150; JUPITER: SR 270

Guest Speakers

A. *Jennifer Blythe, Director of Internships and Co-ops for Career Development – Professional Internship course*

- IDS 3949 (0-3 credits)
 - Minimum of 60 hours on site
 - No GPA requirement
- No fee associated with course if registered for other courses; Fee will be incurred if this is the ONLY class a student will be registered for
- 200 active positions available: there are opportunities for all majors
- Undergraduate and Graduate Opportunities
 - Great for international students!
- The Career Development Center assists students through the entire process
- Students can register for this course through November
- Questions? Email intern@fau.edu or jblythe@fau.edu

B. *Sandy Jakubow, Associate Director, and Antonio Perry, Associate Director – Mentoring Program*

- Looking to serve all freshman and transfer students
 - Special focus is on STEM majors, minorities, FTICs, and first generation students
- University-wide program – “Connections”
 - September 4th is recruiting deadline
- Mentoring Program is serving as a mentoring council for the 25 programs found throughout the Colleges
 - Provide a clearing house for all mentoring-based programs
- 80 faculty/staff have volunteered to mentor this year
- MUST provide a 1-year commitment to the program/mentee
- Looking for Peer Mentors
 - Profile:
 - Earned at least 60 credits
 - Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - Must submit an online profile, references, and participate in an interview
- Mentee Matched by September 18th; Event will be held to find out who the mentors/mentees are
- Located in General Classroom South (GS), Room 225

C. *Katie Burke, Director of Leadership and Educational Development – Leadership Minor*

- **BRAND NEW:** Leadership Studies Minor!
- Minor evolved from an undergraduate research project where 90% of focus groups stated they were “somewhat” or “highly” interested in having a leadership minor at FAU
- Minor consists of earning 16 credits

- 7 core credits that all participants take
- 9 credits have to come from knowledge domains (3 credits from each knowledge domain)
- Trying to adjust earn to range from 15-18 credits
- University Advising Services **DOES NOT** sign off on this minor (Change of Major/Minor) form; Colleges will still be approving/denying this minor
 - This is consistent with current change of minor process

Opening

A. Admissions and Orientation Update

- **Admissions** for the Spring:
 - As of two weeks ago →
 - FTIC offered 800 acceptances
 - 125 have confirmed
- **Orientation**
- Spring 2016 dates have been released
- **FTIC Orientation** will have two
 - Beginning of December
 - Beginning of January
- **Transfer Orientation** will have seven
 - Reservations start in October
 - Orientations start in November

B. University-Wide Updates – Dean Pratt

2015-2016 Admission Requirements:

- Summer/Fall admits – **3.4** High School GPA; **3.0-3.39** admitted to Jump Start Program

2016-2017 Admissions

- Summer/Fall admits – **INCREASED** to **3.6** High School GPA; **3.4-3.59** admitted to Jump Start Program
- This new profile loses 60% on the 2015-2016 Summer/Fall admits

Colleges requested a list of students that have applied and been admitted to their majors to send out personalized information about their programs

- Dean Pratt said this is a possibility; Lists will have to come through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions

There has been no word on if the Transfer student admission requirements will also be raised

6 year graduation rate for Fall 2009 is 48%

- There will be a BIG push for the Fall 2010 cohort to graduate that have not graduated yet over the next academic year

- Currently, only 38.4% have graduated
- This is 1.2% lower than Fall 2009 cohort at this time last year
- 266 students from the Fall 2010 cohort will have to graduate to reach 48% this year
- 390 or so are still active

Old Business

A. Professional Development Structure Update

- Waiting on a budget proposal decision
- University-wide professional development conference pushed back to the Spring semester

B. Advisor Social Committee

- Goal is to create events the advising staff wants to attend
- Currently seeking staff that wants to participate in the Intramural Leagues
 - Must have a paid membership to the FAU recreation center or be taking classes
 - Email Andre if interested!
- Some advisors will be attending the Fall Festival on September 18th from 6-7PM

A member suggested sending out a survey to see what advisors would want to participate in to get things started

- Halloween Luncheon happening October 30 from 12-2PM
 - Costume Contest
 - Costumes will be posted to Facebook for a vote
 - Interoffice decorating contest to coincide with homecoming events as well
 - Joe Murray and Dr. Ingrid Johanson along with the other Advising Directors will be personally funding this event for the advisors

C. Bylaw Amendment Vote (See Attachment Below)

Bylaws Amendment Proposal I

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

Proposal to broaden the terms of eligibility

- The Chair of the Academic Advising Council should hold a Director or Associate/Assistant Director.

PASSED

Bylaws Amendment Proposal II

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

Proposal to change length of service from one year to two years for the Chair and Co-Chair

PASSED

Bylaws Amendment Proposal III

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

Proposal to stagger the election years to non-concurrent terms for the Chair and Co-Chair

NOT PASSED

New Business

- A. *Testing and Evaluation Office has offered to present to the AAC to discuss the CLEP exam and process. The presentation is approximately 30 minutes. Would this be a topic the group is interested in setting up for a future meeting?*
- This will be planned for a future meeting
- B. *Discussion for nominations and voting process for the Chair and Co-Chair*
- **TBA:** Process is being developed
- C. *Future AAC Meetings*

Fall 2015 Dates and Locations

October 1st: 3:30-5:00PM – Boca Campus: EE 106 Davie Campus: LA 150 Jupiter Campus: SR 270

November 12th: 3:30-5:00PM – Boca Campus: EE 106 Davie Campus: LA 150 Jupiter Campus: SR 270

December 3rd: 3:30-5:00PM – Boca Campus: EE 106 Davie Campus: LA 150 Jupiter Campus: SR 270

Attachments

Bylaws Amendment Proposal I

Article and Section

This proposal for an amendment to the bylaws concerns Article III. General Procedures, Section C.

Current Bylaw

Article III: General Procedures

Section C: Chair elected annually at the end of each Spring semester for the upcoming academic year. Eligibility required position level of college director or associate dean of SAS or UAS.

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

Proposal to change length of service from one year to two years for the Chair and Co-Chair

- The Chair of the Academic Advising Council should have at least one year of service to Florida Atlantic University.

Proposal to broaden the terms of eligibility

- The Chair of the Academic Advising Council should hold a Director or Associate/Assistant Director.

OR

- The Chair of the Academic Advising Council can hold any position within an advising office including any academic advisor who is a voting member of the AAC.

Bylaws Amendment Proposal II

Article and Section

This proposal for an amendment to the bylaws concerns Article III. General Procedures, Section D.

Current Bylaw

Article III: General Procedures

Section D: Vice Chair elected annually at the end of each Spring semester for the upcoming academic year. Eligibility required position level of college director or associate dean of SAS or UAS.

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

Proposal to change length of service from one year to two years for the Chair and Co-Chair

- The Co-Chair of the Academic Advising Council should have at least one year of service to Florida Atlantic University.

Proposal to broaden the terms of eligibility

- The Co-Chair of the Academic Advising Council should hold a Director or Associate/Assistant Director.

OR

- The Co-Chair of the Academic Advising Council can hold any position within an advising office including any academic advisor who is a voting member of the AAC.

Bylaws Amendment Proposal III

Article and Section

This proposal for an amendment to the bylaws concerns Article III. General Procedures, Section C & D.

Current Bylaw

Article III: General Procedures

Section C and D: Chair and Co-Chair elected annually at the end of each Spring semester.

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

Proposal to stagger the election years to non-concurrent terms for the Chair and Co-Chair

- The terms for Chair and Co-Chair will be non-concurrent. Election will be held each year, but only replacing one of the positions.

Summary of Bylaw Amendment Proposals

The voting members at the July meeting agreed the criteria needs to be the same for both the Chair and Co-Chair positions.

- Proposal to change length of service from one year to two years for the Chair and Co-Chair
- Proposal to broaden the terms of eligibility
- Proposal to stagger the election years for Chair and Co-Chair