First-Year Experience (FYE) Advising at TU

Program overview:

The FYE program supports our students as they navigate their first year at TU. Each FYE student is paired with an advisor based on their major or special population.

Role of the FYE advisor:

- Provide accurate information about university policies, procedures, and academic requirements (including Core Curriculum, graduation, and major department programs)
- Serve as a link between students and the campus community, including helping with transitional issues and understanding of campus resources
- Assist students in identifying and assessing goals and objectives as part of developing an academic plan
- Provide registration information & advice on course selection appropriate to the student's academic plan

Support for FYE advisors:

- 3-day training for new advisors June 5-7, 2024
- Pre-semester meeting for all advisors August 19, 2024
- In-service meetings for all advisors in October and March
- Advisor Liaisons each FYE advisor paired with a professional staff advisor from Academic Advising
- FYE Advisor resource SharePoint site
- FYE Advising Blackboard course shell

Timeline of the Academic Year:

August Group meeting with advisees on Friday August 23, 2024

September Invite advisees for individual meetings to get acquainted

September/February Outreach to advisees identified as at-risk through progress report campaigns

October/March Group meeting with advisees to prepare for registration

November/April Individual appointments with advisees to review registration plans & lift advising holds

January-February Outreach & intervention for advisees on Academic Warning

Compensation:

\$4000 for the academic year for a full load of up to 35-40 students

\$2000 for the academic year for a half load of up to 20 students

Contact: Neil Blumberg, FYE Advisor Coordinator / nblumberg@towson.edu / x 2874

Application: Available on the AARC website at towson.edu/advising/faculty-resources



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