First-Year Experience (FYE) Advising Program

Program overview:

23rd year of FYE

Pairs incoming freshmen with faculty or staff advisor for their first year

Students assigned based on major or special population (Athletes, Honors, etc.)

Program administered through a non-credit course: ORIE 305 (fall semester) and ORIE 306 (spring semester)

✓ Blackboard course site available and common syllabus

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 in June

In-service meetings for all advisors in October and March

Pre-semester meeting for all advisors each August

Advisor Liaisons – each FYE advisor paired with a professional staff advisor from the Academic Advising Center

Online resources:

✓ FYE Advisor resource community page in Blackboard
✓ Sample ORIE 305/306 course sites in Blackboard

Timeline for the Academic Year:

August: Group meeting with students the Friday before classes begin

September: Invite students for individual meetings to get acquainted

October/March: Group meeting with students to prepare for registration

November/April: Individual appointments with students to review registration plans and lift advising holds

January: Outreach to students for those in academic jeopardy, additional individual appointment at the start of spring semester for these students

Compensation:

$3000 for the academic year for a full load of up to 35-40 students

$1500 for the academic year for a half load of up to 20 students

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