

Things are falling into place in G101. The latest physical changes includes the Career/Job Placement area enclosure and the new Transfer Advising desk for visiting college transfer personnel. Come and check it out, we would love to see you!



ADVISING



During the month of October, Associate Dean Cris McDavid began conducting orientation and testing sessions for new, transfer and readmit students who plan to enroll spring semester 2010. All advisors began working with currently enrolled students to preregister as many as possible, since our regular registration in January will only be one week long. Additional CATS advisor training was also conducted on the Roberts Drive Campus on October 16 for technical program coordinators.

Jason Shields held several AdvisorTrac trainings for faculty and staff in October to help prepare them for the use of AdvisorTrac for spring semester 2010. These sessions were designed to assist advisors in setting up advising availability, scheduling appointments, and making notes on their advising sessions.

On October 22, four members of the Gateway CTC faculty and staff visited the Success Center to learn more about the revisions to our advising process, peer mentoring linked to GE 100 and supplemental instruction. Shelby Krentz, Theresa Little, Ingrid Washington and Teri Vonhandorf were particularly impressed with our AdvisorTrac software and have requested Jason visit their campus to assist them in the implementation of AdvisorTrac for their institution.

As a component of the advising process, an online orientation is currently being drafted. This online orientation is one of the projects for year two of our Title III Grant.

PEER MENTORING & GE 100

On October 2, the Peer Mentors attended Leadership Training conducted by Rae Ann Caldwell. This training complimented the weekly two-hour trainings the Peer Mentors attend each Friday. The Peer Mentors have worked with the students enrolled in GE 100 to assist students in the preregistration process by helping them find program check sheets for their chosen programs and then showing them how to access available courses for their programs on the ACTC website.

In preparation for spring semester, faculty are encouraged to contact Karen George if they have students who they believe would be good Peer Mentors.

SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION



The Supplemental Instruction Leaders attended a training session with Becky Gehringer on ideas for opening and closing S.I. Future training sessions are also planned. As attendance in S.I. sessions continue to increase, we are also looking ahead to spring semester and the need for S.I. leaders in Sociology, ENC 091 and MT 65, as well as planning and preparation for the addition of English 101 and 102 for the fall term of 2010.

Becky Gehringer is currently attending the College Reading & Learning Association Conference in Virginia. I'm sure she will have a lot of exciting information to share with us in the next newsletter.

"Tell me, and I forget; show me, and I remember; involve me, and I understand." - Chinese Proverb

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