

Academic Advising



Beginning February 19, academic advisors were offered opportunities to attend Advisor Update Training. The training includes not only information about our upcoming pre registration, but also information about the new placement policy. Training will be offered on CDC Monday, March 1 at 12:30-2:30 and Friday, March 5 at 2:00-4:00. The training will be offered on the Technology Drive campus Wednesday, March 3 at 3:00-5:00 PM and on the Roberts Drive Campus Thursday, March 4 at 3:00-5:00 PM. All academic advisors are encouraged to join Cris McDavid and Karen George for these very important updates. All of the training materials have been added to the ACTC Advisors E Community Shell for convenience.

With preregistration beginning in March, and registration of new students beginning April 9, we encourage you to put advising availabilities in Advisor Trac so your students may make appointments for advising. If you need assistance, you can check with your office assistant, or Jason Shields.



Peer Mentoring & GE 100

During the month of February, Peer Mentoring was expanded through the use of Facebook. ACTC Peer Mentors now have a Facebook page that will include success tips as well as information about college programs and services. In addition to the Facebook page, freshmen students who aren't currently enrolled in a GE 100 class are contacted weekly via email to provide them with information that their peers receive in the GE 100 class. These students may also submit questions via email to a designated Peer Mentor. Our goal is to make Peer Mentoring available to as many students as possible in a variety of formats. Peer Mentors participate in weekly training, some of which includes academic advising training. On February 19, they joined the ACTC academic advisors during the spring 2010 Advisor Update Training to learn about the new placement policy. On February 12, the Peer Mentors joined the Supplemental Instruction Leaders for leadership training offered by Dean Larry Ferguson. Both these groups of students are doing an excellent job in ensuring that new students have the information and support they need to enhance their student success.

Online Orientation



Jason Shields has drafted ACTC's first online orientation. Currently, he is putting the finishing touches on the orientation that we hope to use beginning in March. New, transfer and readmit students will participate in orientation and testing beginning March 30 through August 11 with approximately 68 orientation sessions scheduled prior to the beginning of fall semester 2010. Online orientations will expedite the registration process allowing some students to complete orientation from their homes, while others will participate on campus. We're very excited about the potential of the online advising component as part of an overall online advising process.





Supplemental Instruction

February has been a busy month for our Supplemental Instruction leaders. Along with the regularly scheduled S.I. sessions, the S.I. leaders have also participated in weekly training. One such training was done by Larry Ferguson entitled *Leadership Challenge* where they took leadership practices inventory followed by the five practices of a good leader. Those five practices are: Challenge the Process; Inspiring a Shared Vision; Enabling Others to Act; Modeling the Way; Encouraging the Heart. While these practices fall in line with being a good S.I. leader, they are also good practices for all of us.

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



Supplemental Instruction Leaders and Peer Mentors participated in training on February 12, given by Dean Larry Ferguson entitled *Leadership Challenge*.



Becky Gehringer hosted a two day Supplemental Instruction workshop as part of the training for new and returning S.I. leaders for spring semester 2010 at ACTC.



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