

UPAC Agenda
October 10, 2018
Marley 230
8:45-9:50 AM

Welcome: Allison

8:45 am to 8:55 am - **International Student Services** - Noelle Sallaz, Associate Director, International Student Services and Lara Pfaff, Program Director

First semester and probation outreach appointments

- Started meeting with all new international undergraduate students.
- Have been meeting with both undergraduate and graduate students on probation.
- First semester check ins we started in Spring 2018, so reaching out this semester.
- We reach out to all international freshman and international first semester transfer students as well.
- We've seen about 30% of international students on academic probation.
- We send an email to the students and ask them to come in. The student completes a self-assessment that allows the student to reflect on how things are going, which is what we use to guide the student on how their semester is going.
- We're talking about an extra advising load of 600+ students, so we had to streamline the process.
 - o We are trying to help students understand what it means to be an international student on probation (What does this mean for my immigration status? What are the important deadlines? Etc.)
 - o After the appointment, we send them relevant links to help them with whatever issues they identified on their self-assessment and what is brought about during the meeting.
- We tell the students that if they do not meet with an advisor in ISS, we will hold any requests that are being processed.
- Check the website www.global.arizona.edu/international-students/academic-probation-support for information for advisors working with international students on probation.
- Helpful links:
 - o [Webpage for Departments, Faculty, and Staff](#)
 - o [Managing Academic Probation and Disqualification](#)
 - o [Probation Advising Handout](#)
 - o [Academic Probation Student Self-Assessment \(preview\)](#)
 - o [First Semester Check-In Student Self- Assessment \(preview\)](#)

8:55 am to 9:10 am - **CATS Academics** - Jennifer Mewes, Academic Counselor and Assistant Director for Internal Operations

- New building across from McKale. Come by and visit us for a tour!
- We are split between teams and sports.
 - o All students are assigned a counselor,
 - o and a learning specialist helps build academic skills and provide strategies throughout the semester.
 - o We also have tutors and mentors - about 60 tutors on staff.

- Eligibility: Please see the PPT for referencing specific eligibility information.
- Minors can only be used in degree calculation if the degree plan requires a minor
- Double majors and dual degrees: per NCAA, they only can use one degree to count for eligibility. Now, they can swap back and forth for eligibility. (alternate back and forth between two majors to meet eligibility requirements)
- Priority Registration
 - o Goals for counselors: early communication with students, use advisor notes, and 100% full time enrollment with priority registration window
 - o Goals for students: have all students make appointments with their major advisor, take note of all summer/fall course suggestions, and communicate scheduling/time demand concerns in advising appointments

9:10 am to 9:25 am - **Study Abroad** - Bailey Lee & Danny Vander Ploeg

- UA Study Abroad is one of the four pillars of the strategic plan. The president is giving us some very ambitious goals for study abroad and international students.
- Advisors are some of the biggest advocates for students to enroll in study abroad opportunities
- We are going through some changes that will hopefully make it easier for students to study abroad
 - o Microcampuses are one example. We partner with a campus abroad to offer UA classes to an international campus to offer classes to both the local students at that campus, and our students to visit the international campus. The goal is that it will be a seamless transition between UA main campus and the international microcampus instruction.
 - Contact Bailey Lee for more information: baileydl@email.arizona.edu
 - UA students studying at a microcampus will pay in-state tuition, regardless of residency status.
 - Financial aid: the biggest issue we have is tuition waivers are not eligible for study abroad (QTR, Wildcat Excellence, etc.) We hope this to change, but for now this policy still stands. Everything else is eligible to be used for study abroad: FAFSA loans and grants, most third-party scholarships and loans.
 - o Transfer credit articulation: Students can take UA courses at the microcampus, or courses at the international institution in which they will earn international transfer credit. The goal will be to maintain advisor oversight so there are no surprises when a student returns. We want to make it easy and seamless to help students get credit approved.
 - o National Student Exchange: opportunity for students to go to another university in the US and some in Canada.
 - Students like the opportunity to go to another city for a semester. Perhaps an opportunity for high-achieving students to take certain degree courses we don't offer, or access to certain faculty at a specific university.
 - Historically, a low number of students take advantage of this program.
 - The tuition waiver issue stated above does not apply - they can use any aid for a NSE program.
 - Contact Derrick Goodrich, derrickg@email.arizona.edu
 - Starting Fall 2019
 - o Contact dvanderp@email.arizona.edu if you would like study abroad handouts for your students, which includes information about financial aid.

- I tell students that they should “save” credits for the semester they want to go abroad to ensure they have enough credits at a university to earn abroad that will apply to their UA degree.

9:25 am to 9:35 am - **ADVIP Updates & Curricular Affairs** - Martin Marquez, Assistant Director for Academic Programs, Stephanie Carlson, Program Manager and Abbie Sorg, Program Manager

- ADVIP updates:
 - Consistent information is needed across all platforms. For example, a department offering a minor that doesn't exist, or a sub-plan that is named incorrectly. If it is listed as such in the ADVIP, it needs to show up on all department/college websites as such.
 - Standard ADVIP updates are due November 30th
- Submit an entry for each plan. If there is no change, still submit an entry and click “submit with no updates”
- New and Noteworthy to updates this year:
 - Degree search 4-year plan, we usually do a separate call for those but you can now upload an attachment to include a spreadsheet with your ADVIP updates
 - Your major description on the ADVIP mirrors what is on degree search. You can update this on ADVIP updates in UAccess.
 - Adding new courses, please include in the ADVIP updates. You can also request to have that class added retroactively to certain ADVIP years. Put it in the notes of your updates.
 - Changes that include adding courses offered by other departments need home department support.
- We can do individual workshops and trainings. Contact asorg@email.arizona.edu or scarlson@email.arizona.edu if you are interested in some help with your ADVIP updates.

9:35 am to 9:45 am - **Astronomical Studies Minor** - Dr. Tom Fleming

- New plan: astronomical studies minor (ASTSTDMINU)
 - This plan is identical to what used to be the Astronomy minor, liberal arts track
 - The past 2 years, we have graduated more astronomy minors than majors
- Curricular Affairs informed us that minors are not allowed to have a subplan. So, we came up with a new plan: Astronomical Studies Minor. Switch occurred July 1, 2018
- Any advisor is allowed to declare the minor, according to college rules. (You do not need Dr. Fleming's permission)

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