2023-2024 ACADEMIC ADVISING SYLLABUS

EXPLORATORY STUDENT ADVISEMENT – SALUKI SUCCESS INITIATIVE

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Purpose and Advising Philosophy:
Exploratory Student Advisement (ESA) is the academic home for students who are in the major exploration and decision-making stage of their college career. ESA offers students the opportunity to explore academic and career options while fulfilling core curriculum requirements. Academic advisors in ESA work with the Career Development Office staff to help students find careers that suit their interests and strengths and the majors that will get them there. Students in ESA engage with their academic advisors to develop plans that will enable them to achieve their goals and with mentors to help with adjustment to college life. Graduation starts today with ESA!

Learning Objectives:
As a result of Exploratory Student Advisement Saluki Success Initiative, you will be able to...
- Identify and utilize campus support services and resources to assist you in achieving your educational and personal goals.
- Identify an academic discipline by your sophomore year that matches your interests, skills, and abilities.
- Accurately read and effectively use a curriculum guide to determine progress towards degree.
- Articulate and clarify your interests, abilities, values and educational plan in connection with long-range planning for career and life goals.
- Use SalukiNet to build a course schedule and register for classes.

Advisor responsibilities:
To support SSI students, our advisors will...
- Provide intensive and intrusive academic advising with detailed follow up calls and emails.
- Familiarize themselves with their individual students in order to build rapport.
- Assist students in selecting courses and choosing an academic major.
- Assist students in decision-making by addressing the integration of self-knowledge with educational and occupational information.
- Provide an evaluation of students’ progress toward established goals and educational plans.
- Provide accurate information about Institutional policies, procedures, resources and programs.
- Make referrals to resources within SIU as appropriate.
- Encourage individual goals and decision making.
- Recommend curricular and co-curricular activities and organizations in addition to applicable campus resources.
- Provide academic department requirements and acceptance criteria

Advisee responsibilities:
To achieve your ultimate academic goals, you will...
- Enroll only in courses approved by my academic advisor for the duration of my participation in this program. Changes (i.e., drops or adds) in my class schedule require prior approval from my academic advisor.
- Attend Mandatory Semester Kick Off Meeting during the first week of the semester.
- Attend mandatory meetings each week with my success mentor, academic coach, tutor, and other resources as required by my academic advisor.
- Meet at least once a month with my academic advisor, more often if needed.
- Attend all of my classes except for absences excused by my instructor.
- Satisfactorily complete all course work on time.
- Keep academic advisor informed of problems, concerns or situations adversely affecting academic progress.
- Be prompt for all required meetings and appointments with EXP2 staff.
- Adhere to all EXP2 and University policies and procedures.
- Participate in engagement activities, workshops and seminars suggested by ESA staff.
- Accept responsibility for my own actions, decisions and academic progress.

### FRESHMAN YEAR First Semester

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<td>- Explain University Core Curriculum (UCC)</td>
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<td>- Utilize the resources available in Career Services</td>
<td>- Teach registration steps via SalukiNet</td>
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<td>- Set up an SIU email account and check it daily</td>
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<td>- Assist students in selecting courses and choosing an academic major</td>
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<td>- Explore connections between my interests, strengths, and potential majors</td>
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<td>- Become knowledgeable about the University Core Curriculum, University policies, procedures, and programs</td>
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<td>- Understand registration steps via SalukiNet</td>
<td>- Prepare student to transition into an academic college or major</td>
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<td>- Know academic department requirements and acceptance criteria</td>
<td>- Provide petition-out letter</td>
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This list is not exhaustive and we recognize that no single academic advising interaction is sufficient to review all above topics. The primary purpose of an academic advising program is to assist students in the development of meaningful education plans that are compatible with their life goals (CAS, 2005, ESA 2015).