SSHA UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING
SSHA Academic Advising Staff

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ACADEMIC ADVISING AT UC MERCED

- Professional-based advising/no advising load for faculty
- Students assigned by last name to an advisor
- Orientation to graduation (Transfer students)
  - First Year students advised by Bobcat Advising Center
  - Move to School advisor during their second year
- Consultation & collaboration
- FERPA
ADVISING SERVICES TO FACULTY & INSTRUCTORS

- Academic program support
- Implement and enforce policies and procedures
- Communication to students
- Campus events
WHO ARE OUR STUDENTS?
IRDS.UCMERCED.EDU, STUDENTS ENROLLED IN FALL 2018

- 73% all UG are first generation, 54% Hispanic (HSI institution)
- 63.8% Pell Grant Recipient
- 40% of UG students are SSHA majors
  - Psychology (28%)
  - Management and Business Economics (19%)
  - Public Health (10%)
SSHA ACADEMIC ADVISING STAFF

- Advising Appointments & Walk-In Hours Daily
  - Peak times of semester operate on walk-ins only
- Professional Staff Cross Trained in all Majors
- Refer Students to Other Departments on Campus
- Degree Planning
- Petitions
SSHA GETS SOCIAL

- Website
  - Advising Walk-In Hours
  - Advising Staff Information
  - Major/Minor and General Education Information
  - Important Dates and Deadlines
- Email
  - Faculty Course Enrollment Approval
  - SSHA Update
- Instagram, Facebook and Twitter
  - Upcoming Dates and Deadlines
  - SSHA Workshops
  - Resources On Campus
New Transfer Students
- Course articulation submissions: Academic advisors help identify the courses that will need to be submitted for faculty review.
- Graduation Plan Meetings: Set a one-on-one meeting to set up their 2-year plan

Continuing Transfer Students
- Academic Support
- One-on-one advising
- Coordinate with on-campus transfer support programs to promote academic success
**Bobcat Day and Preview Day**
- Provide information about SSHA majors and minors to interested and incoming students and their parents
- Opportunity for students and parents to meet advisors and current faculty

**New Student Orientation**
- Students learn about SSHA, school and university policies, co-curricular opportunities, and tips on how to be a successful UC Merced student

**ASCEND New Student Conference**
- Occurs the day before Fall instruction begins
- Opportunity for new students to participate in the Bridge Crossing
- Attend success workshops within first weeks of term and meet other new students
- Kick-off to the academic year

**SSHA Peer Mentor Program**
- Program designed to help students with transition from high school to college
- Semester planning
- Registration questions
- Finding useful and relevant campus resources
- Filling out forms
- Understanding major and minor requirements

**Probation Program**
- **Academic Probation (AP)**
  - At the end of term, students on academic probation receive a email notification encouraging them to take advantage of campus resources
- **Subject to Academic Dismissal (SD)**
  - Students on subject to academic dismissal submit appeal. If approved, student remain on special probation.
  - Required to meet with an advisor 2 to 3 times per semester and sign an academic contract with the goal of returning to good academic standing the following term