LIBERAL ARTS ADVISING COMMUNITY

Description: Liberal Arts refers to a broad-based education in a variety of disciplines with an emphasis on understanding humanity from multiple perspectives (e.g. history, literature, philosophy, psychology). While earning degrees in the liberal arts, students develop the skills of critical thinking, analytical reasoning, oral and written communication, and problem solving with the aim of becoming an educated individual who respects diversity and accepts global responsibility. In an ever-changing world, liberal arts majors offer an opportunity for breadth and depth of study while producing well-rounded individuals with an understanding of and appreciation for life-long learning. Our advising community aims to provide resources and encourage research, to foster conversations focused on advising, and to create a sense of community for academic advisors working in the Liberal Arts or whose philosophy of advising is grounded in the Liberal Arts.

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Current HOT TOPICS in our area and one related article or resource:

- What Is the Value of the Liberal Arts?
  - An Economic Case for the Liberal Arts
- Liberal Arts in a Time of Crisis
  - The Case for Liberal Arts Education in a Time of Crisis
  - Calling on the Humanities in the Midst of a Pandemic
- Liberal Arts and Democratic Education
  - The Relationship Between a Liberal Arts Education and Democratic Outcomes

Three things you need to know about working in the Liberal Arts:

- Many students face challenges in not knowing what they can do with their degree. That challenge is magnified when the same students are trying to answer the same questions from friends and family members who sometimes critique the reasoning for pursuing such a degree. **How are you able to help students navigate the open career paths available through the liberal arts?**
- Degrees within the liberal arts are often depicted in the media as degrees with less value in the workplace. **How are we rewriting or challenging this narrative when advising your students? How do you collaborate with your campus’s career advising office to support your students?**

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