



Advising Community on Graduate & Professional Students

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WHO WE ARE

The community comprises professionals who advise post-baccalaureate students. We welcome all who work with traditional graduate students, professional degree seekers, adults returning for advanced degrees or certificates, and alternatively delivered and structured graduate and professional programs. Small in size but great in commitment, our community provides a mutually supportive context for discussion of issues particular to serving these student populations. Ongoing projects include encouraging discussion of pertinent topics on our listserv, providing resources to help advisors help students, and increasing our presence at national and regional meetings.

Welcome to the May issue of the GPS Newsletter!

As the 2020-2021 academic year concludes, this is an opportunity to address any outstanding items. It is also a great time to reflect on the 2020-2021 academic year, denoting accomplishments and identifying potential goals for the future. Below is a list of strategies you can employ to wrap up the 2020-2021 academic year.

5 Quick Ways to Wrap Up Your 2020-2021 Academic Year:

1. Jot down a short list of your professional and/or personal accomplishments from the 2020-2021 academic year
2. Update your resume and LinkedIn profile
3. On a sticky note, identify one professional or personal item you want to accomplish this summer. Then, write down two steps that will help you complete this action!
4. Set a timer for 3 minutes. Close your eyes, breath, and enjoy the end of the 2021 academic year.
5. Conduct a quick Google search for any one entry and make a plan to visit this summer!
 - a. Best Playground Near Me
 - b. Best Park Near Me
 - c. Best Hike Near Me
 - d. New Restaurant Near Me

PUBLICATION SPOTLIGHT

This month's publication spotlight comes to us by way of the Indeed.com Editorial Team through a blog post titled "How to Set Personal Development Goals for Work (with Examples)." As the post mentions, the end of the academic year is a great time to ponder how you can "...learn new things, strengthen your abilities or become more effective in your role." It reviews what personal development goals at work are, how to set them, with a nice reminder of setting SMART goals, and then provides some examples to get you started. You can check out the post [here](#) to start thinking and planning your goals for your summer and upcoming new academic year!

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT



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My name is Kema Gadson. I am the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity at the Florida State University College of Medicine. I oversee our Faculty Advising Program for our year-one and year-two medical students. I have been in this position for the past three years. In my search for resources to increase my knowledge and support for my role, NACADA, specifically the Advising Community on Graduate and Professional Students has been my go-to platform. Therefore, I decided to finally join this year and I am excited to be a part of this unique community.

I have been fortunate to have some great faculty advisors that are committed to the student learning experience. Our program has a blend of MD and PhD BioMed faculty with many functioning for the first time in an advising capacity. I was happy to find that NACADA had a group that focuses specifically on graduate and professional schools. I owe my advisors the best support possible and so far, I have found great resources and best practices to adapt to our advising model. I believe there is still more to explore and connections to make. When I am not working, I enjoy watching college football and basketball. I also love game nights and

karaoke. I am looking forward to being a part of the conversations and attending meetings/conferences with this community of colleagues.

PROFESSIONAL RESOURCE

Summer is coming, and with the nicer weather comes the call of the outdoors. Part of being a professional is taking time away to reflect and recharge, and our national parks are a perfect place to do that! Most of us have a national park near us, and many are less popular (and less crowded) than the famous ones. Take some time this summer, whether for an afternoon, a weekend, or longer, to connect with the beauty of nature. You can find more information here:

<https://www.nps.gov/index.htm>

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Advising Community on Graduate & Professional Students offers the **GPS (Graduate and Professional Students) Talks Series!** This online meeting series is offered three times per year: March, June, and September.

Many thanks to our Advising Community on Graduate & Professional Students members and friends who were able to attend the March 2021 GPS Talk online meeting that was held on Tuesday, March 30, 2021. The link to the recording of this online meeting will be shared via our advising community listserv and posted on our advising community webpage once available.

June 2021 GPS Talk: Planning is underway for the June 2021 GPS Talk. Further details, including date/time and topic, will be shared in the near future.

ADVISING COMMUNITY ON GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS MENTORING PROGRAM APPLICATION DEADLINE QUICKLY APPROACHING!

The Advising Community on Graduate & Professional Students has launched the inaugural Graduate & Professional Advisor Mentoring program! Additional details, including application information, is located on our [advising community website](#) (on the bottom and right side of the webpage).

We are currently accepting applications for both mentors and mentees to apply. The deadline to submit applications is Friday, May 28, 2021. If you have any questions related to the mentoring program, please contact Jordan Wienke at jordanwienke30@webster.edu.

CONSIDERING DOCTORAL WORK IN ACADEMIC ADVISING?

The next cohort of the Ph.D. in Leadership in Academic Advising at Kansas State University will begin in the summer of 2022! Applications are due on December 1, 2021. A series of information sessions will be held over the next few months (recordings will be available for those registered):

- #1 - Friday, May 28 at 2:00 pm Central Time:
<https://ksu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEuc-iorjMqHtIpxB-myzwEpHYvgxNzpiY2>
- #2 - Friday, June 18 at 9:00 am Central Time:
<https://ksu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcud-CuqTksE9Lf8q7Abr5FkAE1sAf3HTt>
- #3 - Monday, June 28 at 1:00 pm Central Time:
<https://ksu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAqfu2prjgqGtxKpZPpls3OWLhNHBB6bodP>
- #4 - Friday, July 9 at 1:00 pm Central Time:
<https://ksu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAqfuGprzMuHtYundgPRPHQD1fybpE4NfsG>

For complete information go to: <https://online.k-state.edu/programs/leadership-academic-advising-doctorate/> .

If you have questions about either of these opportunities, please contact Wendy Troxel at wgtroxel@ksu.edu.

CALL FOR SCHOLARLY PAPER DISCUSSANTS AND DISCUSSANT APPRENTICES

In anticipation of the new Scholarly Paper session type at the 2021 NACADA Annual Conference, recruitment is now under way to be considered for the position of “discussant.”

Discussants are assigned two scholarly papers to read, ponder, and critique during the month of September. They present their remarks following the two 15-minute presentations by the authors, and provide valuable feedback toward next steps for the manuscripts, as well as to model scholarly discourse in advising-related inquiry. Discussants must also be willing to be paired with a Discussant Apprentice, and to serve as a mentor throughout the process. There are ten (10) positions available; previous experience as a published author is preferred.

To apply to be a Discussant, go to:

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9TzzXCaiN65Okce

If you'd like to learn more about how to serve as a discussant in the future please apply to be a “**Discussant Apprentice**” to be paired with an experienced discussant. The Discussant Apprentice reads the pair of papers and engages in conversations about the process and how feedback is constructed. The Discussant Apprentice does not have a formal speaking role during the session at the Annual Conference, but commits to be in attendance at the session. There are ten (10) positions available; no previous experience as a published author is necessary.

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WRITING FOR PUBLICATION

NACADA Journal

Have you published that great research project that you are working on in academic advising? The *NACADA Journal* is currently seeking submissions for upcoming issues! For more information and submission guidelines/instructions, visit the [NACADA Journal website](#).

NACADA Review

Where theory meets practice: PRAXIS! This is the central focus of the *NACADA Review*! This scholarly journal puts theory-based application at center stage! The *NACADA Review* is currently seeking submissions! Visit the [NACADA Review website](#) for more information and submission guidelines/instructions.

There is a Call for Contributors to a Special Edition of the *NACADA Review*. The co-editors and editorial board of the *NACADA Review* are pleased to announce the prospect of a special issue of the *NACADA Review* to highlight scholarship on advising racially and ethnically diverse college students. They invite submissions that explore the interplay between theoretical frameworks and effective practices for advising, teaching, and supporting the learning/success of non-white students.

Questions should be directed to Julie Givans Voller (julie.voller@phoenixcollege.edu), Co-editor; Peter L. Hagen (peter.hagen@stockton.edu), Co-editor; Quentin Alexander (galexand@gmu.edu), Guest Editor; or Ashley Thomas (ashleythomas@ksu.edu), Managing Editor.

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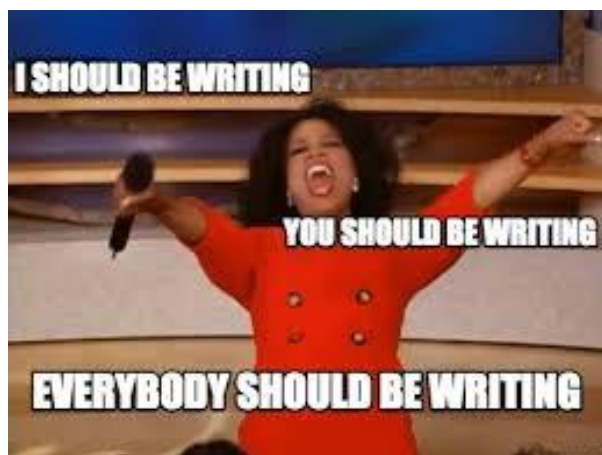
Submissions are now being accepted for consideration for the September 2021 edition of NACADA's quarterly ePublication, *Academic Advising Today: Voices of the Global Community*. Visit the [Publication Guidelines webpage](#) to learn more about the submission process.

PRAXIS

Call for Submissions: Interested in writing about PRAXIS? The *NACADA Review* is currently seeking submissions! Visit the *NACADA Review* [website](#) for more information and submission guidelines/instructions.

Call for Submissions

NACADA: The Global Community for Academic Advising is currently seeking short story submissions for the upcoming pocket guide: *Advising is Forever: Sharing Stories to Ignite (or Reignite) Your Advising Spirit* (working title), to be published by NACADA. Please see the full "[Call for Submissions](#)" document for submission details and deadline. As stated in the Call for Submissions, all manuscripts must be submitted with a signed [author agreement](#). The deadline for submissions to be considered is **August 15, 2021**.





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<https://nacada.ksu.edu/Community/Advising-Communities/Advising-Graduate-Professional-Students.aspx>

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 26-28, 2021: The 2021 Virtual Research Institute will be held May 26-28, 2021. This interactive, multi-day, virtual institute brings primary role advisors, faculty advisors, and advising administrators together to explore new and continuing lines of inquiry within the scholarship of advising. Registration will open soon; get more information from the [website](#).

June 22-25, 2021: The 2021 NACADA International Conference will be held virtually June 22-25, 2021. The theme of the conference is "The Advising Odyssey: Empowering Students to Reach their Ithaca." Make the most of your year-end professional development budget by registering for the [2021 International Conference](#); registration opens in early March. Take this opportunity to network and share with colleagues from around the world; enjoy cooking alongside a Greek chef; and listen to Dr. Michael Cosmopoulos, the lead archaeologist for the Iklaina Archaeological Project.

July 20-23, 2021: The 2021 Summer Institute is going Virtual! NACADA is only hosting one Summer Institute this year. It will be held from July 20-23, 2021. Registration is now open! The registration fee for NACADA members is \$400; nonmembers is \$550. [Learn more](#) about the 2021 Summer Institute. [Summer Institute Scholarships](#) are available. The application deadline for Summer Institute Scholarships is June 1, 2021.

October 6-9, 2021: NACADA's 2021 Annual Conference will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio October 6-9, 2021. The theme of the conference is "Together, All Things Are Possible." [Learn more](#) about the NACADA Annual Conference.



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