



# Advising Community on Graduate & Professional Students

Newsletter March 2023

## UPCOMING EVENT

**Supporting 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Year Eligible Student Athletes into and through Graduate Programs: A Panel**  
**Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 2:00-3:30pm central time**

Hosted by GPS and Student Athletes Advising Communities

Join members of the Graduate and Professional Student (GPS) AC and the Student Athlete AC for this collaborative event on supporting student athletes using their 5th and 6th years of eligibility. After a short overview of common terms, a panel of athletic counselors and primary undergraduate and graduate advisors will talk through ways to support these continuing student athletes on your own campuses. [Register for Virtual Event Here.](#)

## MEMBER HIGHLIGHT



**Shannon Mark**  
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Aloha everyone! My name is Shannon Mark and I currently serve as the Master Programs Advisor at the Shidler College of Business, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. I am the sole advisor for our Global MBA, Master of Accounting, Master of Science in Finance; Marketing Management; and Information Systems. I have nearly twenty-five years of experience working in the field of education and have served in a variety of capacities to include admissions, recruiting, teaching, program management, and advising in which half of those years have been spent advising and coordinating graduate programs. I enjoy working with our graduate and professional students and find it fulfilling to watch them grow, develop and succeed in their education and careers.

Since 2021, I have served on the Advising Community on Graduate and Professional Students (GPS) steering committee and have met many amazing colleagues and peers from across the country that are also passionate about graduate education and advising. It is nice to know that there are other advisors that serve our graduate and professional students. I am also on the mentoring sub-committee with three other colleagues, and it has been a blast!

On March 1, 2023, I began my role as the Region 9 Graduate Advising Coordinator. My goal and hope is to promote and encourage our Region 9 Graduate Advisors to network, learn, and be proactive in their own personal and professional development as an advisor. Through collaboration with our GPS advising colleagues from across the country, I would also like to see that every region in NACADA has a graduate advising coordinator. Wouldn't that be awesome!

In my free time, I like to listen to music, cheer on my University of Hawai'i Rainbow Warriors and Wahine (Go Bows!), and participate in volunteer activities and projects.

## Contact Us

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## Get Connected

#### Follow us on LinkedIn:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12075130/>

#### Subscribe to our Listserv:

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

#### Bookmark our webpage:

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## LINK TO PADLET

Tell us how you incorporate breaks into your workday!

<https://padlet.com/ktalbott3/gps-waterbreak-sakdh6a5lf8gmfap>

## REGIONAL SESSIONS REMAINING

If you are attending your Regional Conference, be sure to keep an eye out for specific GPS sessions!

### Region 2

#### GPS Advising Community Panel

Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:20am eastern

## COLLABORATIVE OF THE MONTH: ADULT LEARNERS GROUP

The GPS Collaboratives continue to meet regularly to discuss timely topics on how to best serve the graduate student population. Some topics from previous discussions include: graduate student mental health, mentoring, bullying prevention, and building community.

Last month the Online Learning Collaborative met to discuss orientation and registration strategies for distance learning students. If you would like to view the recording of this meeting, please email Kim Bernie at [berniekm@ucmail.uc.edu](mailto:berniekm@ucmail.uc.edu). The Online Learning Collaborative plans to meet again in June. The focus of the next meeting will be reviewing what systems group members use for degree audits and best practices for monitoring graduate students' academic progress.

The GPS Collaboratives continue to grow, and they are a great way to connect with other advising professionals who work with professional students. Please keep an eye on the GPS LinkedIn page for meeting announcements. If you would like to partake in any of the four GPS Collaboratives (Adult Learners, Doctoral Students, Online Students, or International Students) please feel free to sign up here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7PXJMHP>.

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## GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL MENTOR PROGRAM CLASS OF 2023-2024

The Graduate and Professional Mentor Program supported by the Graduate and Professional Community of NACADA is pleased to announce that applications are open for the one-year Mentor Program, which will specialize with this specific population.

Mentee and Mentor applications are now open and due **Friday, June 2, 2023**.

[MENTEE Application](#)

[MENTOR Application](#)

## AAT PUBLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Katelyn Talbott (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign), Olivia Miller (University of Missouri-Kansas City), and Laura Kuizin (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) on the publication of their article, [“From Advising Undergraduate Students to Advising Graduate and Professional Students: Experiences from the Field,”](#) in the March 2023 issue of Academic Advising Today (AAT).

## HEALTH CORNER: WHAT’S FOR LUNCH?

If you are seeking new ideas for lunch, check out the [recipe for Soba Noodle Cold Rolls with Spicy Sesame Sauce](#). Many thanks to Leah Litwack (Cal Poly Pomona), for the recipe recommendation!



## **NACADA GPS LINKEDIN GROUP (REPEAT)**

If you are active on LinkedIn, please join our [GPS LinkedIn Group!](#)

We would love to use the LinkedIn group to engage professionally, including sharing articles, professional news, job postings, etc. With so many available positions throughout higher education, this group would provide a platform to share job postings. Please consider sharing position opportunities and include #jobposting in your post.