



FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENT ADVISING COMMUNITY

Community description: This community identifies and addresses issues pertaining to first-generation (first-gen) college students. Ongoing discussions focus on the definition of first-generation students, ways of identifying first-generation students, student success, research, best practices and concerns particular to these students.

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

- [First-Generation Students With Undecided Majors: A Qualitative Study of University Reacculturation](#) Tracey A. Glaessgen, Cynthia J. MacGregor, Jeffrey H. D. Cornelius-White, Robert S. Hornberger, and Denise M. Baumann. NACADA Journal 2018 38:1, 22-35
- How to encourage first-gen student success:
 - [NACADA Clearinghouse page with over 30 resource links](#)
 - (Enter “First-Generation Students Resources”)

Key tips to work effectively with first-gen students:

- Understanding your campus’ first-gen student population and identifying who is first-gen and the percentage of first-gen students/faculty/staff on campus can aid program design . What do you know about first-gen student success on your campus? What do you need to know to act?
- First-gen students can feel isolated and lack a sense of belonging on campus. What resources does your campus have for first-gen students? How can you help all campus advisors learn about these resources?

For more information check out our webpage at:

<https://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Community/Advising-Communities/First-Gen-College-Student-Advising.aspx>