Happy Spring! Here are activities going on with the NACADA Advising First-Year Students Community!

Steering Committee

Our steering Committee is continually seeking ideas and input from you. Let us know what is on your mind with regard to advising first-year students.

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Facebook Page

Join the NACADA Advising First-Year Students Community Facebook Page. Watch for the “Research Spotlight”, contribute to the “Hot Topic” discussions, or create a Chat group and have conversations with other advisors of first-year students.

Hot Topics for upcoming months:
  April: Helping Students Prepare for Registration
  May: Summer Advising Opportunities and Responsibilities
  June: Preparing for Orientation

Keith Schweiger posts a Hot Topic every month on our Facebook page: Please contribute your comments, questions, thoughts, and ideas. If you have suggestions for a future “Hot Topic”, email Keith at kschweiger@temple.edu.

Resources for Advisors of First-Year Students:
Katie Reese posts a new resource each month on our Facebook page. If you have found a resource that you find beneficial, feel free to send it to Katie at katie.reese@asu.edu.

Academic Advising Syllabus

Join Kasey Swanke for an online discussion on utilizing an Academic Advising Syllabus with First-Year Students. The conversation will include writing an academic advising syllabus, explaining its use to the students you advise, and utilizing the syllabus throughout the academic year. Email kswanke@nd.edu to participate in this Zoom Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 16 at 11:30 am EDT.
**Book Discussion**

Recommended reading for academic advisors: “The Privileged Poor: How Elite Colleges are Failing Disadvantaged Students” by Anthony Abraham Jack. In the book, the author describes the struggles of low-income students at an elite university and provides advice on how to change campus cultures and university policies to help reduce the disadvantages so many students face. To participate in a book discussion, email Laura Flynn (lflynn@nd.edu). You will be invited to a Zoom Meeting on Wednesday, June 5 at noon EDT.

**Host a Zoom Meeting**

Do you have information to share about the advising of first-year students? We would be thrilled to have you host a Zoom Meeting. Email Laura Flynn (lflynn@nd.edu) for information and/or assistance in scheduling one.

**Enjoy the budding flowers, the birds chirping and the warm breeze!**