

ACADEMIC ADVISING (GRADUATE)

Students are assigned faculty advisors by, and generally within, their program. Advisors are available to help plan each student's program of study and to assist in the selection of courses before students register for classes.

Graduate students who seek state professional education licensure should also contact the program coordinator for current licensure requirements. See section on Admission to Professional Education in this catalog.

Philosophy

Advising is most effective when it is viewed as an ongoing process in which students and advisors work as partners. Students must conscientiously work with their advisors in order to develop comprehensive academic plans that lead to successful career planning. Ultimately, students have the responsibility for their own educational plans and for monitoring all requirements for graduation.

Responsibilities

Students

Students are responsible for developing their educational plans by:

- Taking initiative to seek advising.
- Monitoring their course of study.
- Understanding and fulfilling all degree requirements.
- Using appropriate student services.

Advisors

Advisors are responsible for providing guidance to students by:

- Providing accurate information on requirements and policies.
- Helping students evaluate their academic success.
- Supporting and encouraging students as they work to meet their goals.
- Making appropriate referrals to student services.

University

UW-Whitewater is responsible for guiding students to achieve their academic goals by:

- Developing a structure within which effective advising can occur.
- Providing appropriate advising support for all students.
- Providing access to academic, personal and career advising.
- Communicating requirements and expectations for graduation.