Promoting Student Success

TAMU-CC Academic Advising Mission Statement
“In collaboration with other University entities, the purpose of academic advising at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is to assist students in developing meaningful educational plans and career goals in a process that promotes students in becoming engaged self-directed learners and effective decision makers.”

Goals for Academic Advising
1. Establish a positive ongoing relationship with shared responsibility.
2. Provide accurate and timely information and interpret university, core curriculum, and major requirements.
3. Assist students in considering and developing an educational plan consistent with their goals.
4. Evaluate and monitor student academic progress towards program completion.
5. Promote student growth and development and success grounded in teaching and learning.
6. Work in partnership with campus community to promote a culture of student success.
7. Empower students to be accountable for their decisions.
8. Assess student learning as a result of academic advising.

Expected Student Learning Outcomes for the Academic Advising Experience
Through the advising experience at TAMU-CC, the student will:
• Demonstrate the ability to make effective decisions concerning your degree and career goals.
• Develop an educational plan for successfully achieving your goals and select courses each semester.
• Demonstrate an understanding of the value of the TAMU-CC degree.
• Utilize the resources and services on campus to assist you in achieving your academic, personal, and career goals.
• Graduate in a timely manner based on your educational plans.

Text/Materials
- University Catalog (online)
- University Email Account
- Core Advising Sheet, Degree Requirements Sheet
- Degree Planner (online)
- Day Planner

Academic Advising Description/Definition
Academic advising is an educational process that facilitates students’ understanding of the meaning and purpose of higher education (NACADA, 2004).

At TAMU-CC academic advising provides students with the opportunity to build the interpersonal relationships with their advisor for the purpose of gaining assistance in planning their educational career, in learning the skills needed for academic success, and in learning how to access the resources and services that are available to them on the TAMU-CC campus. Furthermore, regular meetings with the academic advising staff will ensure that student graduates in a timely fashion.

Academic advising is a collaborative educational process whereby students and their advisors are partners in meeting and ensuring academic, personal, and career goals. This partnership requires proactive participation and involvement by both parties. This partnership is a process that is built over the student’s entire educational career at TAMU-CC. The student and advisor have responsibilities for ensuring that this partnership is successful.
Student Responsibilities

- Become knowledgeable about programs, policies and procedures
- Clarify personal values and goals
- Prepare a list of questions before each advising visit
- Accept responsibility for academic decisions and performance
- Regularly review online degree plan
- Follow through on actions from your academic advisor
- Be informed of deadlines and dates for registration, course requirements, finals, and graduation.

Advisor Responsibilities

- Communicate the curriculum, requirements, policies and procedures
- Guide students to define and develop realistic educational goals
- Listen carefully to questions and concerns
- Communicate the importance of diligence in academic efforts
- Assist students with planning academic paths
- Refer students to appropriate resources
- Maintain confidentiality pursuant to FERPA
- Collaborate to ensure academic success

Academic Advisor Contact Information

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<td>College of Business</td>
<td>361-825-2655</td>
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<td>College of Education &amp; Human Development</td>
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<td>Driftwood Building Room 203</td>
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<td>College of Science &amp; Engineering</td>
<td>361-825-5777</td>
<td>Center for Instruction Rms 361-365</td>
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<td>Students Without A Major/Undecided</td>
<td>361-825-5931</td>
<td>Faculty Center Rooms 137-147</td>
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<td>First Year Learning Communities</td>
<td>361-825-2585</td>
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For a complete list of all advisors, go to: [http://www.tamucc.edu/academics/academic_advising.html](http://www.tamucc.edu/academics/academic_advising.html)

Student Services

- Disability Services
- EDGE
- ELITE-Graduate Program
- Financial Assistance
- First Year Program/Core Curriculum
- Foreign Language Labs
- Graduate Catalog
- Greek Life
- Higher One Card
- Honors Program
- Housing
- Hurricane Evacuation Plan
- IADAPT
- Islander Cultural Alliance (ICA)
- Islander Email Account
- Judicial Affairs
- Library Appeals
- Mail Services
- McNair Scholar Program
- On-Campus Banking - Wells Fargo
- On-Campus Housing - Camden
- Miramar
- Parking Permits
- Personal Counseling
- Personal Skills Center
- Printing Services - Campus Copies
- Recreational Sports
- Registrar Office
- ROTC
- S.A.I.L.
- SandDollar $ Card
- Scholarships
- STEP Program
- Student Government Association (SGA)
- Student Handbook
- Student Newspaper - Island Waves
- Student Organizations - UCSO
- Student Support Services
- Student Travel
- Study Abroad
- TALK2Me
- Transportation Services (RTA)
- TRIO Program
- University Center
- Ungraduate Admissions
- Undergraduate Catalog
- University Center & Student Activities (UCSA)
- University Counseling Center
- University Health Center
- University Police Department (UPD)
- University Rules
- Veteran Affairs
- WebCT
- Women's Center for Education & Service
- Waves of Welcome Calendar of Events
- Writing Center

For more information and links to these student services, go to: [http://studentaffairs.tamucc.edu/studentservices.html](http://studentaffairs.tamucc.edu/studentservices.html)

Calendar of Responsibilities

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<tr>
<td>Stay current on assignments</td>
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<td>Attend orientation</td>
<td>Know degree requirements</td>
<td>Register with Career Services</td>
<td>Apply for graduation</td>
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<td>Meet academic advisor</td>
<td>Plan for graduation</td>
<td>Explore internships and graduate school</td>
<td>Apply to graduate schools</td>
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<td>Activate Islander E-mail</td>
<td>Consult with academic advisor to review degree progress</td>
<td>Consult with academic advisor to determine graduation timeline and course planning</td>
<td>Visit Career Services for jobs, interviewing techniques an resume writing</td>
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<td>Consult with academic advisor for course planning, degree requirements and registration</td>
<td>See faculty mentor</td>
<td>Review Degree Planner</td>
<td>See academic advisor for graduation clearance</td>
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<td>Establish a degree plan and visit CASA</td>
<td>Review degree audit on Degree Planner</td>
<td>Study abroad</td>
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