MCKENDREE UNIVERSITY

- ADVISOR MEETING

- October 8, Noon: PAC 222
- October 11, 4:00: PAC 222
- October 12, 8:00: VOS 129

HOT ISSUES IN ADVISING

- 1.) 3-Year Completion Time
Four-year programs that can be completed in three years

  - Information Technology
  - Accounting
  - Business Administration
  - Economics and Finance
  - Management
  - Marketing
  - Political Science
  - International Relations
  - Psychology
  - Sociology

HOT ISSUES IN ADVISING

- 2.) First-Generation Students

Lisa Brennan, Coordinator of First-Generation Student Success

LEARN MORE!
Tuesday, October 26th at 12 Noon in the Holman Library AV room,
the offices of First-Generation Student Success and Student Retention
will be hosting a webinar to learn more about our first-generation
students and how we can help them succeed. The webinar will run until
1:30. Please bring your lunch, and we'll provide the dessert.

HOT ISSUES IN ADVISING

- 3.) Advising and Academic Support/Success

Jenni Miller, Director of Student Success and Retention

- *Writing Center
- *Academic Support Center
- *Career Services
- *Counseling Services
- *Chaplain

NEED TO KNOW….

- Tips when advising
  - First-Year Students
  - Undecided Students
  - Students interested in a minor
  - Students you meet at Scholarship and Open House days

NEED TO KNOW…..MUSIC

- Students should not be enrolled in the theory sequence (MUS 255, 256, 355,356) unless they are minoring or majoring in music.   The same is true of Music History (MUS 364, 365, 366) – but it has a pre-requisite of theory, so it shouldn't be possible.

NEED TO KNOW…..POLITICAL SCIENCE

- PSI 201 Introduction to Political Science is for social science education students only; it is neither a general education nor a major course.

NEED TO KNOW...BIOLOGY

- It is OK for a student to take BIO 111 BEFORE he or she takes BIO 110. Obviously, we should try to avoid that, if possible, but it is an option.

  Also, biology students who are working toward a B.A. or B.S. general track can begin their chemistry courses in their sophomore year.

  - We really WANT those students to start their chemistry in their sophomore year.
  - We know performance in these courses goes WAY DOWN when Biology and Chemistry are taken together.

- Biology students who are majoring in the B.S. pre-professional track MUST start their chemistry in their first year.

- Generally speaking, we would like students to take the 200-level courses during their sophomore year and try to avoid taking 300- and 400-level courses during this same year.

NEED TO KNOW…MATHEMATICS

- If more than <u>three years</u> has elapsed since a student has taken his/her last mathematics class, and the student places into Calculus I (MTH 210) and needs to take it for his or her major, then he or she should seriously consider taking Precalculus (MTH 133) first.

- This is predominantly an issue for a transfer student who has not taken a mathematics class in a few years.

- (When in doubt, ask Alan)

NEED TO KNOW….OT

- Occupational Therapy is a mix of primarily biology and psychology classes

- Students can ONLY major in OT if they plan to complete 3 years of coursework at McK and then transfer back 32 hours from Washington University OT program (our 3-2 program)

- If they don't choose the 3-2 program, then they need to major in another discipline (e.g., psychology or biology) and complete the requirements and apply after 4 years to an OT grad program (e.g., Wash U, SLU, etc.)

- (When in doubt, send an OT student to Tami)

NEED TO KNOW...NURSING

- We do <u>NOT</u> offer a four-year B.S. in nursing program at McK

- The BSN degree is a completion program for graduates of associate degree or diploma nursing programs (RN)

- However, we do have a FEW students who come to McK to get the 4-year experience and take a variety of classes (e.g., biology), major in something besides nursing, and also take some nursing classes at other institutions. They could graduate from McK with a degree in something besides nursing and then transfer to another school to complete their RN.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?