

Fall 2021 Academic Advisor Forum Series

Please make plans to attend Academic Advisor Forums this semester. All sessions count toward the three hours needed for annual renewal of the Master Advisor designation. The forums are available to the advising community, so please encourage colleagues to participate. Registration is available at www.missouristate.edu/advising/42540.htm.

Sessions Coordinated by the Academic Advising and Transfer Center

Appreciative Advising: A Path to Student Success

Presenter: Christina Bowles

Academic Advisor, Academic Advising and Transfer Center

Have you wondered how you can improve student retention and success rates at Missouri State? Appreciative advising is a student-centered practice that contributes to student success by asking open-ended questions to help students optimize their educational experiences and achieve their dreams, goals and potentials. Learn more about implementing appreciative advising into your own practice by attending this interactive advisor forum.

Wednesday, September 22, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/96060423434>

Registration is encouraged.

Advising Language Learners: The Basics and Beyond

Presenters: Dr. Jason Jolley, Associate Dean and Department Head, MCL

Dr. Tonia Tinsley, Associate Professor, MCL

Kelly Schlinder, Coordinator, FLI

Modern & Classical Languages (MCL) and Foreign Language Institute (FLI) faculty will share key information to keep in mind when advising students about language courses and programs. Topics include placement exam, retroactive credit, minors, degrees, and certificates. We will also talk about languages and courses available through the Foreign Language Institute, some common career paths, double majors, and best people to contact, depending on what your advisees want to do.

Wednesday, September 29, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/92750257983>

Registration is encouraged.

What Advisors Need to Know about Using the Testing Center for Faculty and Students

Presenter: Sue McCrory

Coordinator, Testing Center

An overview of the policies and procedures of using the Testing Center for both faculty and students. This session will cover which populations are eligible to use the Testing Center, how faculty set up exam parameters so students can make appointments, changes in the accommodated exam process mandated by the Disability Resource Center, ZOOM options, and more.

Thursday, September 30, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/98277124126>

Registration is encouraged.

Get to Know Missouri State Outreach

Co-coordinated by the Transfer Advising Committee

Panelists: Melissa Warren, Director of Interactive Video and Off-Campus Programs

Larry Nichols, Regional Outreach Administrator-Southwest Region

Gib Adkins, Regional Outreach Administrator-Central Region

Deanna Smith, Regional Outreach Administrator-Southeast Region

This panel discussion will introduce and feature the Missouri State Outreach staff. The discussion will focus upon the roles and responsibilities of the staff members, the various services provided through the department, and how this area interfaces with students, faculty and staff. A particular emphasis will be placed upon the role Outreach plays with transfer students, including facilitating the completion of articulation agreements with community colleges as well as maintaining the 2+2 transfer plans of study.

Monday, October 18, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/99105936478>

Registration is encouraged.

Career Advising: Faculty Panel on Best Practices

Co-coordinated by the Career Center

Panelists: Dr. Toby Dogwiler, Department Head, Geography, Geology and Planning

Dr. Gary Meints, Associate Professor, Chemistry

Dr. Jorge Rebaza-Vasquez, Associate Dean

Dr. Kelly Rapp, Director, Career Center

Faculty are in an advantageous position to discuss career options with their students. Not only do they have direct experience and connections within their fields, some research indicates that students view professors as the most valuable career advice (Strada). The MSU Career Center provides comprehensive career development services and is here to help faculty and staff advisors support students in the journey to meaningful post-graduation opportunities. Come hear a panel of faculty speak on their best practices for career advising and learn about the College of Natural and Applied Sciences strategy for sharing STEM career information.

Tuesday, October 19, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/91548489028>

Registration is encouraged.

Avoiding Compassion Fatigue and Practicing Self-Care and Well-Being

Presenter: Doug Greiner, Counseling Center

This session will help attendees learn the causes and impact of compassion fatigue. Participants will also have the opportunity to learn and practice strategies to enhance self-care and improve well-being.

Wednesday, October 27, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/96461437365>

Registration is encouraged.

Technology in Advising: Updates

Facilitator: Brian Edmond, Coordinator of Management Info Systems (MIS)

Presented by Computer Services Staff

Come hear from the Computer Services Staff about changes in technology and Banner upgrades. This forum is important to understand upgrades that will affect how we advise students. Topics include Team Dynamix, the account creation process, self-service password reset, and multi-factor authentication. There will also be discussion on enhancements regarding the Title III grant.

Wednesday, December 1, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/94008046423>

Registration is encouraged.

“Ally is a Verb”: How to Use Your Voice to Advocate for Trans* and Gender Nonconforming (TGNC) Students

Presenter: Matt Scott

In part three of this workshop series, we will specifically focus on using nonviolent communication as an advocacy tool to create a more inclusive campus community. If you want to educate others about effectively supporting students who are TGNC, this session is specifically designed for you! (NOTE: This is a continuation of the workshop series begun in spring 2021. Session one and two are NOT required prerequisites for attending session three. However, if you were unable to attend sessions in the spring, please email MattScott@MissouriState.edu and he can send you the video links for both of the previous sessions!)

Thursday, December 2, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

ZOOM, <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/99427185418?pwd=Y1FDcnkwQUNKV3JERGtSR2dMSncrZz09>

Registration is encouraged.