



Academic Advising 101

The key to being a happy camper!

What is an academic advisor?

- A faculty or staff member who will advise you on courses to take, graduation requirements and transfer processes for your major/degree.



- What if I'm a part-time student?

Who is my academic advisor?

- Each full-time student is assigned an advisor during their first semester at FLCC.
- To find out who your advisor is log on to [WEBADVISOR](#) and choose *Program Evaluation*. [Advisors are listed in the first section with contact information as well.]



I'm a part-time student?

- Part time students are advised through the *Center for Advisement*.
- You will be able to connect with these advisors through WebAdvisor as well.





When do I use my advisor?

- Advisors are available through your entire time at Finger Lakes but we highly encourage you to seek them out during **ADVISING WEEKS** in the fall and spring semester.



What's Advising Week?

- Advising week occurs the week before class registration for the following semester opens up.
- Advising week is *NOVEMBER 1-5, 2010* for fall.

What do I ask my advisor?

- To make the most of your advising appointment we suggest you do the following **before** your meeting:
 - **Review your curriculum requirements for your major** (found in program evaluation under Academic Profile on WebAdvisor.)
 - **Come prepared to talk about your goals or career objectives** (are you hoping to transfer, get a job, graduate, etc.)






What happens if I don't see my advisor?

- You run the risk of taking the wrong courses;
- You may take courses that don't count toward your degree;
- You may end up having to stay at FLCC longer because you didn't understand what was required to graduate or transfer.

What if I don't have a good experience with my advisor, what should I do?

- Although we strive to make sure information shared with students is accurate sometimes people make mistakes. If you feel your advisor provided misleading or inappropriate guidance, or if you just didn't get the help you were seeking you can talk to the *department chair*, the *Center for Advisement* or the *Associate Vice President for Instruction and Assessment*.
- We **strongly** encourage you to seek help if this is the case :





**So to get good course information;
To make the most of your time at FLCC;
To ensure you're on the right track for
your educational goal...**

SEE YOUR ADVISOR!
& be a happy camper!