

# Undergraduate Advising Council

Thursday, February 16, 2017

## Minutes

Christine welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm. The December meeting minutes were approved. There was not a January meeting, due to the January 30, 2017 UF Advising Conference.

Speaker: Dr. Leslie Pendleton, Director of Machen Florida Opportunity Scholars Program. ([LeslieP@ufsa.ufl.edu](mailto:LeslieP@ufsa.ufl.edu))

Please see their web site at <http://fos.ufsa.ufl.edu/>

Leslie's power point presentation was entitled, "First in the Family: Recognizing Resilience and Supporting Dreams"  
Please see her power point presentation.

Presentation notes:

First generation – defined by parents who have not earned a bachelor's degree? Students can come from a low-income family, but not always. Students can be underprepared. They often will ask, "Do I belong?" Students can also be self-directed and independent; Trailblazers.

MFOS supports eight semesters of scholarship. This program has been at UF for ten years now; and the program provides comprehensive support while the student is at UF. One-half of the scholars begin in summer B and the other half enter in Fall. Note: there are a few students who enter in Spring term.

Renewal requirements: 24 credits of 2.0 GPA (by the end of Summer or the end of Fall for IA), Workshop/Peer Mentor/FYF or equivalent, Meeting AP for SFA, & On-time FAFSA and family income not exceeding renewal threshold

There are 300 freshmen in this program presently.

The power point presentation includes slides on: the numbers of student scholars in each academic college for Fall 2016, First-generation student success, college partnerships, and a Miscellaneous slide (Excess Hours. MFOS review: admitted as a B, not J. No UF Online & PaCE (not eligible).

Leslie said to feel free to send any first generation students to the MFOS office. Notes: there are 5500 first generation students at UF. Leslie has a first generation listserv that she uses on a limited basis.

## Committee reports:

Advising Certificate (Kat. [kbeaty@ufl.edu](mailto:kbeaty@ufl.edu)):

Kat reported the following: The UAC Advising Certification committee (see members below) had a meeting with UF HR on Tuesday, February 14 to discuss how HR can collaborate with the UAC and the Advising Certificate. After discussing our ideas for the certification and what we would like to do in terms of monitoring the courses, they indicated they would be able to assist us after their upgraded system goes into effect.

Sometime in early summer, we will be contacted by their project manager for MyTraining, Rhonda Mitchell, and learn what steps we need to take in order to "on-board" to their system. They also indicated we would be able to assign 2-3 people to serve as managers/authors for the certificate.

A lot of the courses we would use for "Level 1" certification are already created and uploaded to their system, however, with the COMPASS project; a few courses would need to be developed with updated trainings.

Committee members include: Daniel Moore, Cynthia Sain, Kristin Theus, and Christine Richmond, UAC Chair

Campus Affairs (Sophie. [sophiespratley@essie.ufl.edu](mailto:sophiespratley@essie.ufl.edu)):

Sophie reported the following items:

1. Students who applied as freshmen to UF after the November 4<sup>th</sup> deadline will receive a decision in late March.
2. UF Community Tutoring is offered through the U Matter website through the Dean of Students Office. This is a tutor match service for K-12 and UF students. Students can sign up to be a tutor or to receive services. Services are private and require payment, and can be in person or online in format.
3. UAC Field Trips: There are three spaces available for the 2/27 8:30-9:30am field trip to the CWC. (Handouts from the CWC were provided on the back table.) Campus Affairs will be working with Kris Klann to organize our next field trip to the DSO/NSFP.
4. CRC representatives will be speaking at the March UAC meeting.

Professional Development (Allison. [agatsche@ece.ufl.edu](mailto:agatsche@ece.ufl.edu)):

Allison reported that the UF Advising Conference was a success! She thanked everyone that attended; and thanked the many sponsors and her committee!

She reported that all breakout presenters should have received their evaluations in the mail. There was a 100% satisfaction (very satisfied or satisfied) for the conference evaluations! Allison asked that if you have anything to pass along to the committee/presenters to please send it to her.

She noted that planning will begin for the 2018 conference this summer. She again thanked everyone!

Thank you to everyone!

Communications (Karen. [kbray@ufl.edu](mailto:kbray@ufl.edu))

Karen reported that the February 2017 *The UF Advisor* blog/newsletter went out on Friday, 2/10/17. A good collection of articles and snapshots from the UF Advising conference were included. Thank you for the work of the committee!

Karen brought up a question to the meeting attendees...about their thoughts on having a possible Academic Advisor Appreciation Day/Week- this semester or in a future term/year-?

Christine noted that we are working on getting a UAC web site up and going. We are presently working with Cheryl Gater of the Provost's office. We are hoping the site will be available sometime this coming summer.

Preeminence Task Force (Larah Clark, Chair. [Larah.clark@warrington.ufl.edu](mailto:Larah.clark@warrington.ufl.edu) )

Larah noted that they are looking for new members, especially members in CLAS so as to have their perspectives. Anyone is welcome to join the task force; please email Larah if interested.

UFO: Glenn Kepic ([gkepic@advising.ufl.edu](mailto:gkepic@advising.ufl.edu))

Nicole Raymond reported that admissions decisions occurred last Friday. PaCE offers went out last Friday too. 2400 offers went out. 1600 exploratory undecided/pre law. CLAS was the largest college for PaCE offers, followed by Journalism and Business. PaCE online chats (6) are going on now. Please see all the dates for these chats and for Florida Days at: <http://ufonline.ufl.edu/news/uf-online-welcomes-pace-uf21/>. If you have any questions for UFP and PaCE students, please refer them to the PaCE Chat rooms and the Florida Day events. Meredith can be reached at: [Pace@ufonline.ufl.edu-Meredith](mailto:Pace@ufonline.ufl.edu-Meredith). She can assist with answers to your questions.

COMPASS/Curriculum Monitoring & Analysis: Toby Shorey's report: ([tshorey@ufl.edu](mailto:tshorey@ufl.edu))

Toby was not at the meeting; no report today.

#### Announcements:

Kris Klann, New Student and Family Programs. ([KrisK@dso.ufl.edu](mailto:KrisK@dso.ufl.edu))

As of 2/15/17 students can now register for Preview! Kris put a plug in for anyone interested in serving as a First Year Florida instructor. They have 77 sections for Summer B and Fall now. They have doubled the enrollment for this course. Please contact Kris if interested.

Sara Mock, CLAS Advising. ([smock@advising.ufl.edu](mailto:smock@advising.ufl.edu))

Emails went out, seeking Preview Advisors. Applications are due by Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>.

Dana Myers, College of the Arts Advising ([dmyers@arts.ufl.edu](mailto:dmyers@arts.ufl.edu))

ArtBash is on February 24<sup>th</sup> from 5pm - 9pm. It is a family friendly event that brings the visual arts to life!

Location: in the Fine Arts quad, on campus (behind Little hall).

The Facebook link with lots of info: <https://www.facebook.com/UFArtBash/>

Maureen Cox, College of Engineering Advising/Career Coach ([mcox@eng.ufl.edu](mailto:mcox@eng.ufl.edu))

Maureen announced that her Engineering Advisor colleagues, Joel Parker & Matt Williams would be presenting a program in July at the NACADA International Conference: Sheffield, UK. (Conference runs from July 10-13). The title of their presentation will be Stop Course Planning and Start Dialoging: How to Promote Introspective Advising. Their presentation description is: Matt and Joel will discuss how HWCOE advisors are empowering students to take control of their academic planning through the creation of five-semester plans, which has allowed advisors more time to help students clarify their career goals, connect to campus resources and discover meaning in their education. They will also discuss some of the technology they have used and throughout this process and some of the advising methods that they have tried with varying levels of success.

UAC Chair's report, Christine Richmond: ([crichmond@advising.ufl.edu](mailto:crichmond@advising.ufl.edu))

Christine asked for any information on new freshman-appropriate courses that can be included in Preview Prep and the Preview workbook, as well as any course information for any freshman-appropriate course such as flyers, course websites, etc. Please send any information to Christine at [crichmond@advising.ufl.edu](mailto:crichmond@advising.ufl.edu).

UAC elections will be held in March. Christine will soon send a call for nominations for UAC Chair, Communications Committee Chair, and Professional Development Committee Chair. You can self-nominate, or nominate someone else,

but please make sure they are interested first. Also, please let Christine know if there have been any changes to UAC voting members from your college or unit.

Christine gave updates on the Take 30 Task Force. They have met twice now to review data and begin discussing ways to message students and other stakeholders about timely graduation.

UF Quest is also progressing with an upcoming faculty retreat in March, which will hopefully lead to a finalized structure.

Block tuition proposals will be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session with the possibility of block tuition coming in 2018 if approved.

We are looking for a new student representative for UAC. Please let Christine know if you have recommendations.

We will also be putting out applications for NACADA scholarships to support advisors who are going to the national NACADA conference. Please be thinking about your plans now and speaking with your supervisors so you can submit an application in May.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40pm

