

Minutes of the Stockton Advising Council

Friday, October 23, 2:45 p.m.

Members present:

Paula Dollarhide, Peter Hagen, Brittany Jenniss, Richard Trama, Pat Donahue, Carra Hood, Claire Lopatto, Marcia Fiedler, Christine Gayda-Chelder, Hannah Ueno, Charlie Wu, Emily Van Dyne, Jung Lee, Joe Lema, Betsy Erbaugh, Jongbok Yi, Priti Haria

- I. Introductions
- II. **Career Center Update:** (Pat Donahue). Career Fair Successful with over 100 employers and a record number of students. The Career Expo not Successful; Changes to come.  
Conversation about careers in Law:
  - i. Success in law programs (particularly in ARHU)
    - a. Upcoming trip to law school fair
    - b. Upcoming workshop on Tues Nov 3, 2015

Encourage students to join career communities on Stockton Works

  - c. Overview of Stockton Works
  - d. Employers listed in the directory have previous affiliations with Stockton (“Stockton friendly”)
  - e. Resources on the Career Center site
    - i. “What can I do with a major in...?”
    - ii. “What do I do each year?”
- III. **Provost’s Professional Development Award in Faculty Precepting:** Proposals are now being accepted for this award. Deadline is December 1. Please encourage faculty to apply for this award—better yet, apply for one yourself. Details are on the internal grants website of the Office of Research and Sponsored programs. Types of activities to be funded are research oriented projects related to advising, presenting at NACADA or attend a NACADA institute. Our group will review the proposals.
  - a. Volunteers for proposal review committee
    - i. Emily Van Dyne
    - ii. Haria Priti
    - iii. Claire Lopatto
    - iv. Hannah Ueno
- IV. **NACADA Region 2 Conference, March 16-18, 2016 in Hyattsville, MD:**
  - a. Call for proposals due November 30, 2015. See this link for more information <http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Events-Programs/Events/Region-Conferences/Region-2/Call-for-Proposals.aspx>
  - b. Faculty are encouraged to submit a proposal. A great opportunity to apply for funding for Provost’s Professional Development award.

- V. Getting Ready for Precepting:** The rest of the meeting was devoted to sharing ideas about precepting. Priti Haria gave us several handouts and explained how she uses Blackboard and keeps notes on her students.
- a. Overview of advising on blackboard
    - i. Setting up appointments (with pictures)
    - ii. Advising syllabi
    - iii. Draft worksheet
    - iv. Additional information for students
  - b. Advising Trivia
    - i. Final deadline for withdraw
    - ii. Double Major vs. Second Degree Earned
    - iii. Permission from the Dean to take courses if attempted 3x or more
    - iv. “Can’t go backwards” in Math courses (including GNMs)
    - v. Class restrictions
    - vi. Taking courses at other institutions
      - 1. “32 of the last 48 credits must be taken at Stockton”
      - 2. Students cannot take a course at another institution if they earned a D or F in that course at Stockton or if their GPA is below a 2.0
      - 3. Permission to take courses form
    - vii. Discussion about repeat courses: grades, transcripts, and GPA
      - 1. A student who repeats a course does not get credit for the previous course, and the grade is not expunged. Faculty were puzzled by this policy.
      - 2. Discussion was table for possible future discussion
      - 3. Possible formation of task-force to present to faculty senate
    - viii. Update on other ways to earn “other” transfer credits:
      - 1. No limit on AP credits or CLEP credits
      - 2. Credit by examination – Tom Grites handles this. Students have to pay for the credits for the course before taking an exam to fulfill a university requirement.
      - 3. NJ PLAN through Thomas Edison State College (Prior learning assessment). This is going to allow adult students to document their work experiences and possibly earn college credit.

The November 20 meeting will not take place. Instead, the Advising Council is being invited to attend a webinar on Appreciative Advising hosted by Carra Hood and the Precepting Symposium Committee. That will take place on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. in F 111. Appreciative Advising is a style/philosophy of advising that allows helps students dream of the possibilities in majors and careers and develop a plan for achieving those goals. It’s a positive and encouraging look at advising, and we hope that you’ll be attendance. Refreshments will be served.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paula Dollarhide