

DEVELOPMENTAL ADVISING STRATEGIES

“Developmental advising is hierarchical; it assumes that students who begin college in need of more structured guidance will move to positions of increasing responsibility as they move to the senior year.” (Susan Frost)

- * Establish a caring working relationship.
- * Help students clarify goals.
- * Discuss the relevance of higher education and liberal studies.
- * Encourage thinking about life and career planning.
- * Relate interest and abilities to plans.
- * Assist in exploring and selecting majors.
- * Provide a rationale for requirements.
- * Help select and schedule courses.
- * Monitor academic progress.
- * Encourage students to explore options, become involved, and use campus resources throughout their time in college.

— “Advising Alliances: Faculty and First-Year Students Team up for Success,” by Susan Frost, *First-Year Academic Advising: Patterns in the Present, Pathways to the Future*, M. Lee Upcraft and Gary L. Kramer, editors, National Resource Center for the Freshman Year Experience and Students in Transition, University of South Carolina, 1995.