

# MY ADVISING EXPERIENCE

## KENT CENTER MISSION

The Kent Center at ISU fosters professionalism, ethical reflection, and intellectual rigor while empowering students to achieve their academic, career, and personal aspirations through holistic, individualized guidance in a supportive environment.

### ADVISING COORDINATORS

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### MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

at [kentcenter.isu.edu](https://kentcenter.isu.edu) or  
by calling 208-282-2783

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## SERVICES PROVIDED BY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ADVISORS

- Help you choose and/or change your major
- Review degree/major/certification requirements
- Collaborate to develop and write a course plan of study
- Provide important university and department information such as deadlines, scholarships, and opportunities
- Sign academic forms (petitions, appeals, academic plans)

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### ADVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Offer** easily accessible times to meet in person, via phone, or Zoom
- **Communicate** important information through email and text
- **Maintain** knowledge of your program and certification requirements
- **Create, send, and update** your plan of study as needed
- **Encourage** you to build self-efficacy and problem solve
- **Review** your academic progress
- **Discuss** strategies to help you utilize personal and available campus resources and provide referrals

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Schedule** and **attend** advising appointments at least once a semester
- **Read** and **respond** to ISU emails in a timely manner
- **Prepare** for advising sessions by reviewing DegreeWorks and bringing questions
- **Follow** your plan of study and **inform** advisor about changes
- **Accept responsibility** for your academic progress and outcomes
- **Meet** important dates and deadlines
- **Communicate** with advisor about academic or personal challenges that affect your academic progress

# STEPS TO SUCCESS



## BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS

- Closely read your **ISU** email messages (can be forwarded to your personal email)
- Meet your advisor at New Student Orientation and register for classes
- Make an appointment with your advisor, if necessary
- Become familiar with MyISU, DegreeWorks, Navigate, and Canvas
- Learn about the Book Bundle

## FIRST YEAR

- Learn how to independently register for classes, following your degree plan
- Review academic progress using Canvas, DegreeWorks, and MyISU
- Take your foundations class, e.g. EDUC 2201 & 2204 or HPSS 2223
- Attend the mandatory advising meeting in your foundations class
- Collaborate with your advisor to create a plan of study
- Attend office hours and meet your instructors
- Attend tutoring as needed, utilizing the ISU Tutoring Center
- Support your personal wellness through involvement in clubs and organizations

## CONTINUING

- Watch your DegreeWorks and contact advisor with concerns
- Check in with advisors each semester to check on and/or revise your plan
- Maximize open course options by registering as soon as you are able
- Make connections with students and faculty in your major
- Meet with the Career Center to craft your resume
- Discuss student teaching eligibility requirements with advisor and meet College of Education deadlines (Teaching majors)
- Take advantage of student resources such as Counseling and Mental Health, the Wellness Center, Disability Resource Center, Bengal Success Center, Reed Gym, and the Student Health Center

## FINAL YEAR

- Apply for graduation (everyone) and Commencement (if you plan to attend)
- Meet with faculty and academic advisors to discuss career plans
- Refine your resume, participate in mock interviewing, and strategize employment plans with the Career Center