



Career Development Alliance

The University has enjoyed higher levels of communication and coordination since forming the Advisors' Council. In that same spirit, we are in the process of assembling a standing workgroup around Career Development themes. This workgroup will be made up of University stakeholders interested in supporting the education, readiness, and connections available to our students through a career lens. If you would like to learn more about this group, please contact Dr. Rob Liddell (Robert-Liddell@utc.edu), Director of the Career & Student Employment Center, for more information. We are planning an interest meeting in the coming weeks.



AIQ Pre-Registration - Summer '17 Orientations

The AIQ pre-registration process for new freshmen and transfer students is underway. When students register for an orientation session, they are provided with some broad information about their major and are given the opportunity to select classes of interest through an Academic Interest Questionnaire (AIQ). With information that students report on the AIQ, faculty and professional advisors build fall schedules for students prior to their arrival on campus.

All AIQ pre-registration sessions will take place in the Library, Room 321. For any questions or concerns about the AIQ process, please contact Stacie-Grisham@utc.edu.

AIQ Dates for May 3rd Transfer Orientation

Mon., May 1st: 1pm-4pm

AIQ Dates for all other Orientation dates

Mon., May 22nd – Fri., May 26th: 8:30am – 4pm daily

Thurs., June 8th: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Tues., June 13th: 9:00am-12:00pm

Mon., June 26th: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Wed., July 12th: 9:00am-12:00pm

Tues., July 18th: 1:00-4:00pm

Wed., July 26th: 9:00am-12:00pm

Tues., Aug. 1st: 1:00-4:00pm



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CONTACT US!

Please direct any comments, questions or errors to a member of the Leadership Team:

- Elizabeth Johnson, Chair
- Stacie Grisham
- Avalon Gourlay
- Lindsey Felix
- Mary Beth Rayner



Welcome Julie David

Julie David joined the College of Engineering and Computer Science (CECS) as the Director of Student Success. The CECS Student Success Center is a one-stop shop that provides academic advising, experiential learning opportunities, and career development assistance.

As the Center for Student Success Director, Julie will be working in several key areas including student recruitment and retention, outreach initiatives with community partners, internships and co-ops for students, soft skills development, and more. She comes to the College with a wide range of experience as a post-secondary administrator in key student support areas through her prior work at Chattanooga State, Indiana University, and Purdue University-Columbus.

Julie joins the college’s professional advisors, Sarah Alsobrooks and Laura Lee Jenkins, in making EMCS 344 the new “home” of the CECS Student Success Center.

NCAA Degree Progress Standards

NCAA Division 1 progress-toward-degree requirements are designed to guide student-athletes toward graduation. As stated on the NCAA website: The standards help student-athletes take the appropriate steps toward earning their degree. Standards include minimum grade-point average, term-by-term and annual credit hour requirements, and percentage-of-degree requirements. Student-athletes who do not meet the requirements are not eligible for competition. Two-year and four-year transfer student-athletes also are required to meet certain progress-toward-degree benchmarks at the time of transfer. Additionally, transfer student-athletes must have been academically eligible at their previous school to use the one-time transfer exception and be eligible for athletic-related financial aid at the school to which they are transferring.

Academic Requirements	Prior to the 2nd Year of Enrollment	Prior to the 3rd Year of Enrollment	Prior to the 4th Year of Enrollment	Prior to the 5th Year of Enrollment
Annual/Percentage-of-Degree	24 semester hours completed toward degree	40% of the designated degree must be completed. For most degrees at UTC, this is 48 Degree Applicable Hours.	60% of the designated degree must be completed. For most degrees at UTC, this is 72 Degree Applicable Hours.	80% of the designated degree must be completed. For most degrees at UTC, this is 96 Degree Applicable Hours.

SSC Campus Advising Platform



We are in the process of transitioning from our current advising platform, the EAB Student Success Collaborative (now referred to as SSC Foundation), to a more comprehensive program called SSC Campus. Our SSC Campus Kick-Off was held in October, and a video of the presentation is available here: <https://youtu.be/hrLsnCEgA>

SSC Campus combines some of the great features of SSC Foundation, including predictive analytics and campus-wide advising notes, with additional technology and research to help effectively manage advising campaigns and caseloads. Some of the new features include:

- An advisor homepage that displays assigned advisees, upcoming appointments, and recent advising notes
- The ability to email and text students, either individually or in groups, via the Platform
- Online appointment scheduling that can sync to a Microsoft Exchange calendar

A pilot group of advisors completed training in March, and we now have 35 users in the SSC Campus site. We will continue our SSC Campus roll-out in the coming months to include all faculty advisors.

Congratulations to the UTC Advisors that Presented at the NACADA Region 3 Conference!

UTC was well represented at the NACADA Region 3 Conference earlier this month in Raleigh, NC.

Sevan Paris and Brian Tucker discussed AIQs with various institutions over a breakfast poster presentation. Many of these institutions are considering implementing a similar pre-registration model, so they were eager to learn more about the process.

Vikki Bernotski co-presented with a colleague from UNC-Wilmington on the topic of how to motivate and re-direct students in Education and pre-health majors.

Elizabeth Johnson, Mary Beth Rayner, and Marjorie Whiteside presented on the Training Committee's Advising Certificate implementation and curriculum.



Meet UTC's Newest Advisor

Theresa Blackman is serving as a freshman Academic Advisor in the Center for Advisement for Anthropology, Sociology, Psychology, Criminal Justice, Legal Assistant Studies, and Interior Architecture. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts in History and her Master of Science in Student Development from Lee University in Cleveland, TN.

For the past 3.5 years she worked at UTK in the Office of the University Registrar. She loved assisting students and families navigate the world of transfer credit to the University. She has a passion to see students succeed, and especially for first generation college students, being one herself. Theresa loves equipping students with the tools to make their dreams a reality, and it is what she is most excited about stepping into this role. In her free time, she enjoys hiking and exploring with her husband, Richard, and 1 ½ year old Australian Shepard, Tonks. She is a voracious reader, and lover of obscure Netflix documentaries.

Advisors' Council Committee Updates

Assessment Committee

There were 496 responses to the spring advising survey. The Assessment Committee is currently compiling the results of these responses, and the results will be shared at a later date.

Training Committee

The training committee now has all but one (waiting for SSC Campus rollout) of the modules for the Advisor Training Certificate on UTC Learn. Access to these modules are available for anyone that attended the "Introduction to Advising" module.

Transfer Committee

Sevan Paris took over the duties of the Transfer Committee Liaison when he transitioned into his new role as the Complete College Advisor. The next meeting date is TBD.

Meetings

Advisors' Council

3rd Wednesday at 8:45am
Chickamauga Room, UC

Assessment Committee

2nd Wednesday at 8:45am
Avalon Gourlay, Chair

Training Committee

4th Wednesday at 8:45am
Lindsey Felix, Chair

Transfer Committee

3rd Monday at 2:00pm
TBA, Chair

Leadership

1st Wednesday at 8:45am
Elizabeth Johnson, Chair
Stacie Grisham
Avalon Gourlay
Lindsey Felix
Mary Beth Rayner