

College of Human Sciences
Academic Advising Committee

- Membership List
Academic Advisors: Michele Lee (Chair), Chris Wise, Ann Thye, Cheryl Lindholm, Marilyn Dillon, Lisa Sharp, Anne Oldham, Sarah Bender Miller, Cindy Frederickson, Carol Cordell, Marsha Wissink, Dawn Fiihr, Pat Walsh
Student Services: Dayle Nickerson, Carolyn Ersland, Darlene Fratzke, Yanira Pacheco
- Meetings
This committee meets twice monthly on Thursdays from 9-10:30 in 0331 Palmer. One monthly meeting is designated as a business meeting, and the other is designated as a special topic meeting. Special topic meetings provide an opportunity for professional development and additional in-depth training. Guest speakers are often invited to these meetings to discuss a variety of topics. Topics this year included: Study Abroad, Guest Speaker Gloria Ladson Billings, and the Entrepreneurial Studies Minor. Minutes from each monthly business meeting are posted on the CHS academic advising website: <http://www.ss.hs.iastate.edu/advising/AdvisingComMinutes.php>
Several committee members were involved in the planning of an Advising Summit that was offered to the entire ISU community.
- Major Accomplishments
The web-based academic advisor evaluation was available for completion by all CHS undergraduate students during April 2008 and 2009. In spring 2008, 46% of CHS students completed this survey (up from 43% in 2007). Results for spring 2009 are not yet available. This evaluation continues to be an important tool for evaluating academic advising in the College of Human Sciences.
- Significant challenges and how they were addressed
Because the Academic Advising Committee meets twice monthly, there are numerous opportunities throughout the academic year to address challenges related to academic advising. The committee has two strong representatives (Pat Walsh & Cindy Frederickson) to the University Academic Advising Committee (UAAC), and several of our members serve on sub-committees of the UAAC.
- Next steps
The Advising Committee will continue to meet twice monthly in the future in order to stay current on the ever changing needs of the students we serve. A retreat is planned for August to determine goals and objectives for the upcoming year.
- Submitted by: Michele Lee, Chair Academic Advising Committee