

Personal Statement on Advising
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As an advisor, it is important to not just point students in the right direction, but to provide resources and tools to help them make selections based on their goals. It is vital for students to take responsibility for learning and understanding how to achieve their objectives. This requires building a relationship with the individual and communicating effectively. It is not a matter of just telling a student what to do or which class to enroll, but to provide information and guidance so they can make their own decisions as part of their maturing experience.

Advising is an opportunity to discuss options, related to both academics and career. It should not be viewed as only a means of ensuring a student earns a degree, but also to assist in achieving the ultimate goal of any student . . . to make a successful transition from student, to graduation, and the opportunity to be happy and successful in their chosen career path.