

Undergraduate Academic Advising Goals

These Arcadia academic advising goals, which were developed with National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) best practices in mind, are designed to guide advisor and student interactions and to be the basis of on-going assessment and training activities.

Relationship Development, Advice, and Advocacy

Advisors and students develop caring and mutually respectful professional relationships based on the advisors' knowledge and understanding of students' individual characteristics, needs, and experiences. These relationships facilitate advisors providing honest and forthright advice communicated in an inclusive, supportive manner and their advocating for students' interests and goals.

Goal Setting and Mentorship

Advisors guide students in the development of academic and professional goals and provide mentorship that supports students – and builds their self-reliance – in the identification and pursuit of paths and success strategies leading to the achievement of those goals.

Academic Plans and Progress

Advisors and students co-develop major/minor and other academic plans and monitor together students' academic progress and path to graduation.

Academic Information and Expectations

Advisors provide students – and guide them toward self-education about – accurate and relevant information about academic requirements, policies, and procedures. Advisors help students develop an understanding of and responsibility for fulfilling critical expectations such as academic integrity, timely and appropriate communication with instructors, the importance of meeting deadlines, and informed problem solving and decision making.

Resources and Support Services

Advisors provide information about, encourage use of, and otherwise facilitate students' connections with the various resources and services Arcadia provides designed to support student success.

The Liberal Arts and the Arcadia Undergraduate Curriculum (AUC)

Advisors assist students in understanding the purpose, values, and applications of a liberal arts education and help guide them through the Arcadia University Curriculum (AUC) and take advantage of other curricular and co-curricular opportunities.