

Advising Implementation Forum Recommendations



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The Advising Forum Team charge . . .

Develop collaborative solutions on:

- Successful models and practices on advising
- Recommend methods of integrating advising and student support services
- Identify promising advising strategies
- Review technology solutions in supporting advising and timely interventions for students at risk
- Provide guidance on adopting and managing a proactive advising and student support infrastructure

Report Format

- **19 recommendations woven into specific sections**
- **Statewide initiatives section**
- **Glossary of advising terms**
- **Full report on ODHE website**



https://www.ohiohighered.org/sites/default/files/uploads/sstf/SSTF_Advising-Implementation-Forum-Report_FINAL_080320.pdf

Report Sections

- **Communications** – *recommendation 1*
 - Prior to acceptance
 - Prior to start of term
 - Initial advising meeting
 - Common topics to cover

- **Impactful Advising Practices** – recommendations 2-5
 - Appreciative advising
 - Student outcomes
 - Administrative outcomes
 - Advising checklist

Report Sections

■ **Caseload management** – *recommendations 6 & 7*

- Assignment of students to advisors
- Cross training
- Coaching
- Meta-major advising
- Student outreach

■ **Late registration** – *recommendations 8 – 13*

- Adopt policies that facilitate success at the start of the term
- Limit/manage the ability of returning students to change their schedule after the 1st day of term
- Consider “late starting” courses
- Analyze and utilize your student data in setting policies
- Ensure sufficiency of sections for students to make degree progress

Report Sections

- **Leveraging technology** – *recommendations 14 & 15*
 - Effective use of technology critical to advising
 - Consider ***all*** stakeholders as you evaluate technology solutions
 - Determine what the product can and cannot do
 - Provide choice of virtual advising for students
- **Advising as a profession** – recommendation 16
 - Provide a career ladder for professional advising
 - Examples of career ladders at Ohio universities



Report Sections

- **Statewide initiatives** – recommendations 17-19
 - 33% of Ohio students transfer between institutions
 - Create path to appeal transfer decisions
 - Create additional guarantee transfer pathways
 - Institute system for electronic high school transcripts

- **Glossary of term**
 - 25 advising terms
 - Clarifies higher education jargon

