# Lafayette Advising newsletter

November 2020 edition

Greetings from Scott Hall! We invite you to read below some news and announcements from the Office of Advising. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us at <a href="mailto:deanofadvising@lafayette.edu">deanofadvising@lafayette.edu</a> if you have any questions or need additional information. You can also find us on <a href="mailto:lnc.">lnc.</a> in the property of the property of



### Important information for Academic Advisors - spring course registration is here!

We ask that all academic advisors review the Spring 2021 Registration Announcement and link to the dynamic course schedule here: <a href="https://registrar.lafayette.edu/course-and-exam-schedule/">https://registrar.lafayette.edu/course-and-exam-schedule/</a>. We also ask that you take the following steps to help your advisees have a successful spring course registration:

Please reach out directly to your assigned advisees if you have not done so already and
ask them to connect with you to discuss their plans for the spring semester and any other
advising-related issues. As a reminder, you can access your advisee roster through the
"View My Advisee" link on the "Student Advising Profile" page in Banner Self-Service. You
can read more guidance on Banner Self-Service:

https://registrar.lafayette.edu/banner-self-service/faculty-self-service

- When advising students who plan to study remotely/from home in the spring semester,
  please encourage these students to register for remote classes. In cases where there is a
  required major course that needs to be taken in sequence, then the student should seek
  guidance from the faculty member and department head or program chair.
- Student registration times will begin as noted below, and access will continue through November 20.

CLASS OF 2021: November 4 – 7AM (Eastern time zone)
CLASS OF 2022: November 6 - 7AM (Eastern time zone)
CLASS OF 2023: November 10 – 7AM (Eastern time zone)
CLASS OF 2024: November 12 – 7AM (Eastern time zone)

- Students having trouble with the online registration, or those who are registering for a
  course that requires instructor/department head approval, can email their course
  selections and approvals to <a href="mailto:registrar@lafayette.edu">registrar@lafayette.edu</a>. These registrations will be
  processed on or after the student's assigned registration day.
- You are invited to visit the Office of Advising's Faculty Advising Resource Page for some useful advising resources and information: <a href="https://advising.lafayette.edu/faculty-resources/articles-and-information">https://advising.lafayette.edu/faculty-resources/articles-and-information</a>. A useful tip that some faculty advisers have shared is to set up a Spaces site for their advisees. This can serve as a more efficient and useful way to connect with advisees, schedule appointments, and provide useful curricular and advising information.
- Please don't hesitate to reach out to the Office of the Registrar or the Office of Advising if you have any questions.



# Training "To Go": Academic Advising and Social Justice: Privilege, Diversity, and Student Success

Each month, we will plan to share another training resource for academic advisors. If you have time during a lunch hour or other break in your day, these resources can help all our faculty hone their holistic academic advising skills. November's selection is an excellent video training session on Academic Advising and Social Justice: Privilege, Diversity, and Student Success. **Description:** 

Academic advisors and advising administrators must understand social identities in order to identify the challenges students face when interacting with various campus systems. However, advising professionals are often untrained in dealing with issues of privilege and diversity. In this 66-minute videocast presentation, sponsored by the NACADA Diversity Committee, Julie Larsen (University of Washington), Sarah Stevens (University of Southern Indiana), Louis Macias (Florida International University), Shannon Burton (Michigan State University), and Drew Puroway (University of St. Thomas) share information and strategies that can help advisors form stronger relationships with students, identify specific challenges and roadblocks facing students, and create individualized solutions to increase success and retention. In addition, they discuss ideas for reconceptualizing advising around issues of social justice which can foster both the ability and the responsibility to be voices for change at our institutions.

Moderator: Julie Larsen (University of Washington) Panelists: Sarah Stevens (University of Southern Indiana), Louis Macias (Florida International University), Shannon Burton (Michigan State University), Drew Puroway (University of St. Thomas)

Access the recording at the link below!

Academic Advising and Social Justice: Privilege, Diversity, and Student Success



### Dr. Tim Cox named NACADA's Region 2 Communications Chair

Dr. Tim Cox, Associate Dean and Junior/Senior Class Dean, has recently been named the Region 2 Communications Chair for NACADA, the Global Community for Academic Advising. Region 2 is the Mid-Atlantic Region and consists of the following states — Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington D.C. Dr. Cox will be serving in this role through 2022. Congratulations to him and his continued leadership in the field of academic advising!



### Scholarships and Fellowships news

There are some important upcoming scholarship/fellowship application deadlines sophomores and juniors. You can find this information at the links below. Please share with your current sophomore and junior students who you believe would be strong candidates!

<u>Upcoming opportunities for sophomores</u>

<u>Upcoming opportunities for juniors</u>

#### <u>Upcoming opportunities for seniors</u>

Faculty are invited to review this <u>sample listing of postgraduate opportunities</u>. It is very helpful when faculty encourage their students and recent graduates to reach out to <u>Dean Julia Goldberg</u> before the campus deadline. This is also a period of time when faculty may be asked to write letters of recommendation for applicants.

Finally, the Fellowships and Scholarships Office continually seeks names of any students who stand out to faculty for their academic potential, intellectual curiosity, drive, and vision, with less emphasis on grades earned and more on the "spark" they conveyed. These would be strong candidates for externally competitive scholarships and fellowships throughout their tenure at Lafayette and beyond. <u>Submit names using this survey</u> or <u>email Dean Goldberg</u>.



#### Click here to see the most recent First-Gen Newsletter sent to students!

#### **National First-Generation College Celebration!**

The Office of Advising & Co-Curricular Programs invites the Lafayette First-Generation Community to participate in this year's <u>National First-Generation College Celebration</u>! This year, the official National College Celebration day will be held on November 8th. We have a number of events planned and encourage the entire Lafayette First-Generation community to come together and celebrate.

#### **Lafayette's First-Generation Virtual Community Gathering:**

#### \*\*Call to action for interested faculty/staff members\*\*

As a way to accommodate ALL first-generation community members (students, faculty, and staff) interested in participating, we plan to hold a First-Generation Community Gathering on **November 8th** from **12:15 - 1:00 pm**. This community gathering will be just that — a space for everyone to gather, hang out, check-in with one another, and make those important social connections. Our goal for this relaxed environment is to strengthen our first-generation community by celebrating all of our students, faculty, staff, and administrators' amazing accomplishments.

Please join us virtually by completing the RSVP form <u>here</u>. Upon submission of the form, you will receive a follow up email from Abigail Schaffer, College Transition Specialist, with further details.

#### First-Generation Virtual Student Game Night November 7th 7:00 - 9:00 pm

In order to bring together our entire first-generation student community, we plan to offer a virtual student game night. Upon receiving registrations, an upper class first-generation student will be identified as moderator for this program. The goal is to provide our first-generation students a space to virtually gather and hang out with one another, while participating in fun, light hearted activities.

#### **Social Media Presence:**

"Proud to be a First-Generation Student" social media campaign

#### \*\*Call to action for interested faculty/staff members\*\*

We are seeking members of our first-generation community to participate in our social media campaign for the National First-Generation Celebration! This campaign will take place from **November 6th - November 10th** and will feature members of our first-generation community on the Lafayette Advising social media platforms. Each spotlight will include an image of your choice and a brief description of why you are proud to identify as first-generation.

If you are interested in participating, please complete the form by clicking <u>here</u>. Upon submission of the form, you will receive a follow up email from Abigail Schaffer, College Transition Specialist, with further details.



### Did you Know? Advising Resources for Faculty

Did you know that the Office of Advising website has <u>a number of useful resources</u> for academic advisers, including Lafayette-specific advising information, advising resources, and advising-related articles? We also have information on <u>advising basics</u>, <u>academic coaching</u>, <u>first-generation student support</u>, and other topics. More information will be added and updated soon!



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