

Lafayette Advising newsletter

May 2021 edition

Greetings from Scott Hall, and we hope the final stretch of the spring 2021 semester is going smoothly for you and your students. 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 deanofadvising@lafayette.edu if you have any questions or need additional information. You can also find us on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).



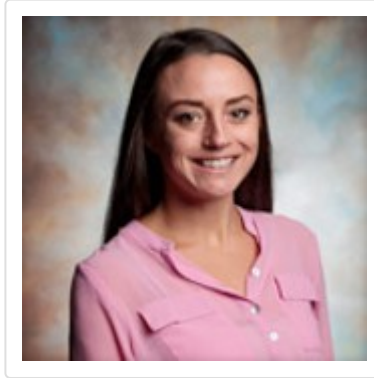
Recruitment And Certification for Peer Tutors, SI and Mentored Study Group Leaders

Hub recruitment is underway for Peer Tutors, SI and Mentored Study Group Leaders for fall 2021. We welcome faculty input to build a student support team strong in content knowledge and good communication skills. Our primary focus is 100 and 200 level courses. Please consider students that you have taught or are currently teaching with these qualifications and encourage them to apply using the link ["How to Become a Tutor"](#).

The application gives candidates the opportunity to be considered for all of our support positions by selecting the tutoring formats they prefer. Applicants request faculty recommendation within the application giving you have the opportunity to give us your assessment of the student's ability to serve in a peer support role. Applications are processed and positions are filled throughout the months of May, June, and July.

New hires will be required to attend our CRLA tutor training in August. And we are happy to announce that Deniz Ozbay, Marwa Saleh, and Sena Yevenyo were recently awarded [CRLA Peer Tutor Level I](#) certification through The Hub. They join the 32% of our current roster previously certified.

Visit [the Academic Resource Hub](#) for further information or email resourcehub@lafayette.edu.



Abby Schaffer's role expanding in the Office of Advising

We are pleased to announce that Abby Schaffer's role will be expanding as of July 1st to include junior class dean support, starting with the class of 2023. This change helps immensely in our overall goal of providing a dedicated professional for each class year who can support those students through class dean advising duties. In addition to some other overall benefits to this move, this portfolio restructure will also strengthen a best-practice thread of support that connects each student's first year to their eventual upperclass years.

Along with her other projects, Abby has been regularly assisting the other class deans with supplemental advising work, so when exploring this restructure it was clear that it was a natural fit.

In addition to his senior class dean caseload and responsibilities, Tim Cox will continue to oversee the large academic conduct, academic standing, and Honors Convocation processes and other projects, as he has been doing with extremely high quality and efficiency.

Congratulations to Dean Schaffer on her upcoming expanded role! We are grateful to her and the entire team for all their hard work and dedication to, as our [Vision](#) describes, guiding Lafayette students to thrive and enhance their educational journey.



Scholarships and Fellowships office updates!

First, please take a moment to review [some of the prestigious scholarships and fellowships that were awarded to our students this year.](#)

Also, below is an email that Dean Goldberg sent to students in the Classes of 2021 and 2022. Please take a look and encourage your students to explore and apply.

Your future starts here...

But what is in your future? Grad School? Living Abroad? Changing the World? We're here to help you with fellowships, scholarships and grants galore. Don't let your dreams or your summer slip by without applying!!!! (Please note: many are also open to/available to non-US citizens and DACA Dreamers.)

[Check out this sample list of amazing Graduate & Post-Graduate Opportunities!](#)

Want to teach English, or engaged in research abroad? There's funding for that through the Fulbright, DAAD, JET, etc....*

Want to get \$\$ to go to graduate school in the US or abroad? There are programs galore for that as well, including the Knight-Hennessy to Stanford, Marshall*, Rhodes*, Mitchell*, Gates-Cambridge, Yenning Academy, Erasmus Mundus, Pickering, NIH-GPP, NSF-GRFP, Madison, to mention but a few...*

Want to work for the State Department as a Foreign Service Officer? Programs like Rangel, Payne & Pickering will fast track you into those careers while providing funding for 2-year master's programs in the US AND summer domestic and international internships with the State Department followed by work with the State Department upon program completion! Can't get better than that.

Want to change the world? Well, we've got grants to help you do just that...including the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Gaither Jr Fellows Program, Congressional*

Hunger Center Fellowships, Huntington Public Service Awards, Echoing Green Fellowships, Humanity in Action, and oh so, so many others.

These are but a mere sample of the opportunities available to you. For a more extensive listing, check out our website's Endorsed and Other Scholarships/Fellowships categories.

*Note: * = must follow campus application instructions as described on our website; campus deadlines for Fulbright, Marshall, Mitchell, US Rhodes, Schwarzman and Knight-Hennessy are typically set for the last Friday in August. Check our website for application dates and details.*

We very strongly encourage you to submit drafts throughout the summer.

Let's get started making those dreams a reality!!!

Make an appointment to talk with me by contacting externalscholarships@lafayette.edu.

Looking forward to working with you,

~Dean Goldberg



Upcoming conference presentations

Dr. Tim Cox, Associate Dean and Junior/Senior Class Dean, will be heading to the NACADA Annual Conference in October to present two accepted sessions:

"You've Done the Assessment. What's Next?"

and

"Bringing Our Own Intersecting Identities and Experiences into the Advising Relationship"

Dean Cox also makes it a point to share major takeaways and best practices with the rest of the Office of Advising team, something we plan to do with more regularity in our staff meetings for the coming year.

Congratulations Dean Cox!



Office of Advising develops Vision, Mission, and Values for work

The Office of Advising and Co-Curricular Programs spend four engaging and effective sessions with Alma Scott-Buczak, Associate Vice President for Human Resources as we developed a new Vision, Mission, and set of Values to guide our work. We are pleased to share the outcomes of these sessions below and [on our website](#). Many thanks to Alma, as well as Tammy Trach, for helping us make these sessions a reality!

Our Vision

Guide Lafayette Students to Thrive and Enhance their Educational Journey

Our Mission

Using a personalized approach, we advise and empower students of all backgrounds to develop their individual academic experience to achieve their lifelong intellectual, professional, and personal goals. We work collaboratively with the Lafayette community to support students in realizing their opportunities while upholding the academic standards of the institution.

Our Values

Integrity – Inclusion – Innovation – Empowerment – Caring – Collaboration



Important upcoming dates for advisors

May 17 Non-instructional day
May 19 Spring Classes end
May 20-21 Reading Days
May 22-29 Final Exam Period
May 30 Commencement Ceremony **
June 1 Senior grades due by noon
June 5 Degree conferral date for spring graduates
June 8 All other grades due by noon

** The Commencement ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 30; however, diplomas and transcripts will reflect a "degree conferral date" of Saturday, June 5. It is important for students applying for graduate school, employment, etc. to list the degree conferral date on any applications (not the Commencement ceremony date.)



Advising Resources for Faculty

The Office of Advising website has [a number of useful resources](#) for academic advisers, including Lafayette-specific advising information, advising resources, and advising-related articles? We also have information on [advising basics](#), [academic coaching](#), [first-generation student support](#), and other topics. More information will be added and updated soon!




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