Student Success Initiatives
Northern State University
2010-2011

University College –

Academic Support – Writing Center, Math Center, Supplemental Instruction (SI groups) and tutoring
Special Programs – Trio/Student Support Services (SSS) and Upward Bound
Freshmen Success Seminars (IDLs) for all new freshmen
Freshman/Undecided Academic Advising

Office of Student Success –

Student Retention – early alert referrals, deficiency follow-up, academic and student life case management services including success plans

Career Center -

Career Counseling - exploration and planning including collaboration with academic advising and faculty to declare academic major by sophomore year, internships, job search assistance and employment
Student employment (academic year and summer) and Internships
Job Search Assistance

Office of Student Activities -

Orientation – welcome week, extended fall semester orientation, peer-to-peer mentoring

Academic Advising -

Proposal A: Centralized, professional advising for freshmen and undeclared majors; professional advisor in each college or school for second year and above declared majors.

Centralized Advising for all freshmen and undecided/undeclared students – professional advisors

University College

Responsible for:
Registration/advising for freshmen (in conjunction with colleges and MSA/ISA for declared majors)
Registration/advising for undeclared majors
Review and follow-up on academic early alerts in conjunction with Office of Student Success (OSS)
Knowledge of General Education requirements and pre-requisites for majors
Beginning Program Plan
Training and coordination for peer advising center (upper division students)
Communication in person at beginning, mid-term and prior to end of term registration for following semester, in any deficiency situation, and on as-needed basis in conjunction with OSS

Communication via e-mail or other methods of important dates, deadlines, requirements, deficiencies, etc.

Communications with academic advisors/faculty/administration in various colleges and schools regarding requirements

**College or School Based Academic Advising for all declared majors – professional advisors**

- School of Education (1)
- School of Fine Arts (1)
- School of Business (1)
- College of Arts & Sciences (1)

**Special Populations Advising for ethnic minorities, international students – professional advisor**

- Multicultural/International (.5 funded through College Access Grant/.5 part of new international counselor/advisor position)

**Responsible for:**

- Registration/advising for all majors in college or school (in conjunction with UC for freshmen)
- Review and follow-up on academic early alerts in conjunction with Office of Student Success (OSS)
- Knowledge of all courses, credit, examination, licensure and other requirements for completion of/graduation from majors
- Reviewing, revising and maintaining updated Program Plans for majors and for advisees
- Collection and reporting of GPA, retention and related data in conjunction with OSS
- Communication in person at beginning, mid-term and prior to end of term registration for following semester, in any deficiency situation, and on as-needed basis in conjunction with OSS
- Communication via e-mail or other methods of important dates, deadlines, requirements, deficiencies
- Communication with faculty, administration, registrar and other personnel to ensure graduation and other requirements are successfully met according to appropriate schedule
- Maintain open office for advising of all students within college, regardless of class standing, for general advising, trouble-shooting, coordination with faculty, and referral services to other departments

**Residence Life –**

- Living and Learning Communities in residence halls
- Themed residence halls with social and academic programming related to common theme
- Specialized residential learning communities for TRIO, Fine Arts and Discovery Program students