

Student Advising and Retention Committee Report

ALTERNATIVE MEASURES OF ACADEMIC ADVISING

QUESTION	ADVISOR		GRAD SENIOR		SOPHMORE		ADVISOR SURVEY EX. Senior & Soph.		COMBINED	
	SURVEY		SURVEY		SURVEY				SURVEYS	
	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average
1. My adviser's knowledge of degree requirements and academic regulations is	4638	3.2					3816	3.1		
Accurate information about degree requirements and course sequencing			1196	3.2	1079	2.9			6091	3.1
2 My adviser's knowledge of where to seek info that he/she does not have is	4467	3.1					3672	3.1		
Knowledge of campus policies and procedures			1195	3.1	1081	2.9			5948	3.1
3 My adviser's availability through posted office hours or appointments is	4606	3.0					3788	3		
Access to advisor			1197	3.3	1082	2.9			6067	3.0
4 My adviser's attitude toward helping me is	4698	3.2					3864	3.2		
Sufficient time with advisor			1196	3.2	1079	2.8			6139	3.1
5 My own preparation/preparedness for meeting with my advisor has been	4697	3.1					3847	3.1	3847	3.1
6 My overall rating of my advisor is	4695	3.2					3862	3.2		
Academic Advising Overall			1195	3.2	1076	2.9			6133	3.1

Exhibit

The exhibit shows a comparison of the alternative wording of the two surveys and the scores (rebased where necessary) for each item. The first column of the table shows the alternative wording of questions from the advising and from the sophomore and senior surveys. The second and third columns show the number of surveys and average score (re-based to a 4-point scale) from the Advisor Survey. The fourth and fifth columns show the same information from the Graduating Senior Survey. The sixth and seventh columns show the information collected in the Sophomore Survey. The eighth and ninth columns show the advisor survey results with the graduating senior and second semester sophomore results removed (the results of step 1 of the proposal above). The last two columns show the results of combining the Advisor Survey results from last year (re-based and excluding graduating seniors and second semester sophomores) with the graduating senior survey and sophomore survey results yields a mean score of 3.1 for the overall question compared to a (re-based) mean score of 3.2 for the overall question on the current Advisor Survey.