

VIRTUAL ADVISING BEST PRACTICES

DURING A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

The sudden shift to virtual advising has presented us with both challenges and opportunities. Consider these best practices as you and your team continue to reflect upon and reimagine how to support students academically, personally, and professionally in this virtual landscape.



**Do what you
can with the
resources you
have**

Access to resources will vary by department. Rather than comparing yourself to others, focus on your strengths. What tools are available and how can you elevate those resources to advise your students and support faculty/staff during this time?



**Stay
connected
to your team
remotely**

How can you cultivate community and connection with your team and campus colleagues?



**Foster an
accessible
and safe
space for
students**

There are students who do not have great access to technology or do not have safe/private home-spaces. How can you support students with diverse needs and resources?



**Communicate
your needs
during this
"new normal"**

How can you effectively communicate your needs? How can you manage the expectations of students, of your self, of your supervisor, and of your department?



**Reflect,
reimagine,
and remain
flexible**

What has worked well? What has not worked? What can you change moving forward? What can you let go of? What does the future of academic advising look like? What is the potential of academic advising?

