

Organization of Advising

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Abstract

Every advising organization needs an organizational structure. If the organizational structure is not a good fit with the needs of the students, faculty and mission of the university, advising services' effectiveness will be limited. Before deciding upon the "right organizational fit" there are several factors to be considered. The purpose of this presentation will be to discuss organizational models and their pros and cons and to identify the key factors that must be considered prior to structuring or restructuring an academic advising program.

Outline

- I. Identification of Advising Models
 - Centralized
 - Self-contained
 - Decentralized
 - Faculty-only
 - Satellite model
 - Shared
 - Supplementary
 - Split
 - Dual
 - Total-Intake
- II. Pros and Cons of Each Model
- III. Variables to Consider when Selecting a Model
- IV. Trends in Organizational Models
- V. Assessment of Structure Effectiveness: Questions to Consider

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