Beyond Foundations: Developing as a Master Advisor

Chapter 18 - Challenges for the Future: Developing as a profession, field, and discipline

Reader Learning Outcomes

Readers will use knowledge gained about changes in higher education and academic advising to

- Recognize issues in higher education today that will influence the future of academic advising,
- Identify potential changes in academic advising and the higher education culture by 2025,
- · Describe the kind of research needed to promote academic advising, and
- Reflect on ways the predicted changes will affect institutions and academic advisors.

Aiming for Excellence discussion questions and activities

- Reflect on the changes in advising experienced on your campus.
- Has the value of advising risen, diminished, or remained the same at your institution?
- How has the role of the teaching faculty changed with respect to the academic advising experiences of students?
- What research would affect the impact of academic advising on student success and completion?
- How does professional development change for academic advisors on your campus?
- How will you meet the future challenges to advising?
- Describe the factors you see driving change within higher education that affect academic advising as a whole and your advising practice in particular.
- Describe the changes that will influence academic advising roles in the next decade and beyond.
- Based upon the challenges outlined in the chapter, what do you see as the biggest challenge to your advising practice?