Student Advising

The Evolution of the Concept

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"Good advising may be the single most underestimated characteristic of a successful college experience."

Richard Light, Making the Most of College, 2001

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The Tradition of Apprenticeship

An early brochure of Harvard College justified its existence



Teachers and students lived in the same buildings, under the same disciplines—goal was to produce welleducated ministers, lawyers, and doctors for an emerging society







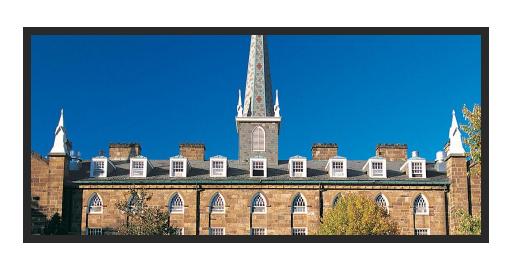








In 1841, Kenyon College (Ohio) uses the term "advisor"







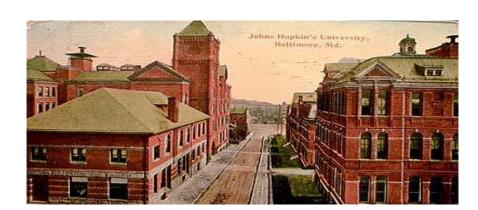


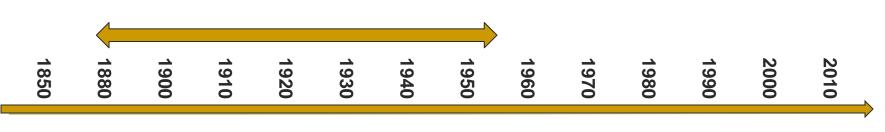






In 1880s, a system of faculty advisors was set up at Johns Hopkins.





For about 8 decades the task of advising was concentrated in the opening days of registration and enrollment and consists of aiding students in the selection of courses."

Asa Knowles, Handbook of College and University Administrators

Delivery System of Academic Advising

Faculty Advising



Course Selection



- "Advising is a process with a long and dignified history in colleges and universities . . . involving, as often does, tedious clerical work combined with hit and run conferences with students on curricula.
- It is a <u>most cordially hated</u> activity by the majority of college teachers."

- While faculty advising was still the primary delivery system for academic advising, two new delivery systems were introduced:
 - peer & professional advising.
 - centralized advising centers

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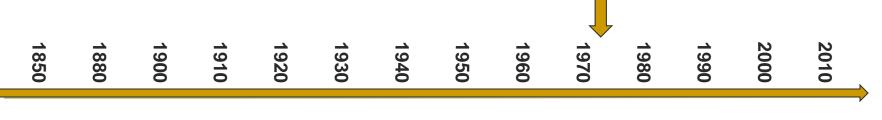


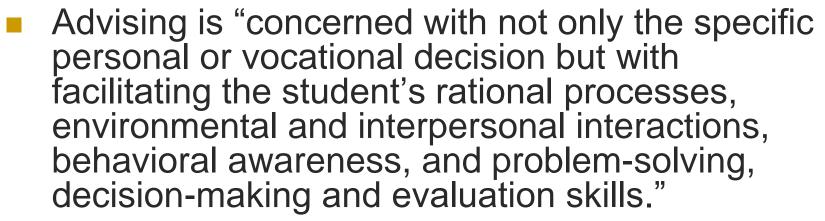
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Burns Crookston 1972

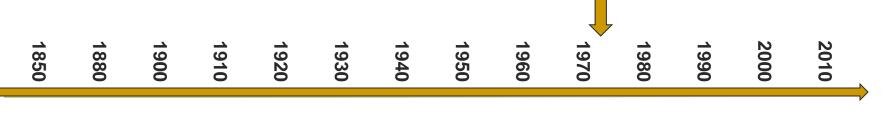
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- Exploration of life goals
- Exploration of vocational goals
- Exploration of program choices
- Exploration of course choices
- Exploration of scheduling options

Terry O'Banion 1972

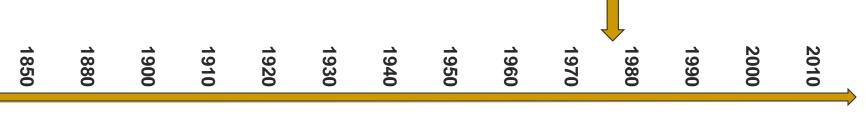
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 In 1977, over 300 people attended a national meeting on academic advising in USA.

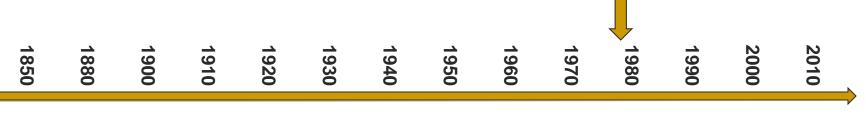
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 In 1979, National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) was established.

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"A systematic process based on a close student-advisor relationship intended to aid students in achieving educational, career, and personal goals through the use of the full range of institutional and community resources."

Winston, Miller, Ender, and Grites 1984

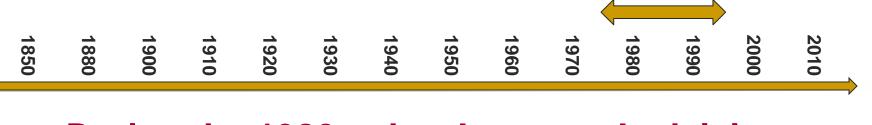
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- During the 1980s, developmental advising become the dominant paradigm:
- Extended advising beyond scheduling
- Drew on student development theory
- Emphasized individual student growth
- Emphasized shared responsibility

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- "Perhaps the most urgent reform on most campuses in improving general education involves academic advising.
- To have programs and courses become coherent and significant to students requires adequate advising."

Task Force on General Education Association of American Colleges 1988

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 "Academic advising is integral to fulfilling the teaching and learning mission of higher education.

NACADA Concept of Academic Advising (2006)

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Advising as Teaching & Learning

Through advising, we want students. . .

- To value the learning process
- To learn and use decision-making strategies
- To put the college experience into perspective
- To set and evaluate priorities
- To develop thinking and learning skills

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NACADA Core Values

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Academic Advising (like the academic curriculum) should promote student learning and development.



Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education

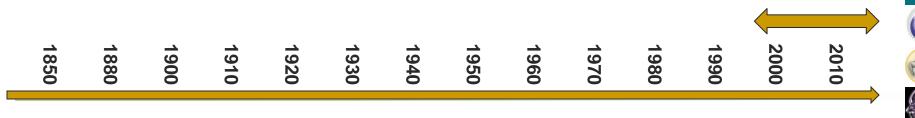
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 Advising requires coordination and collaboration among units across campus that provide student support/services.

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Whole Campus Approach

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"Advising is viewed as a way to connect students to the campus and help them feel that someone is looking out for them."



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"Academic advising is the only structured activity on the campus in which all students have the opportunity for an ongoing, one-on-one interaction with a concerned representative of the institution."

Wes Habley

Thank You! Any Question?