**ONLINE ADVISORS**

**FROM ACCEPTANCE TO GRADUATION Q&A**

**HOW CAN MY ADVISOR HELP ME?**

“I am here to answer any of your questions, help you find resources, help you navigate WVU systems and processes, and present you with options for courses and a degree plan that fit your needs.” - ALEX JARVIS

**MEETINGS WITH MY ADVISOR: HOW & HOW OFTEN?**

“We need to meet at least once each semester, but with online students, there are multiple meetings whether via email, phone, or video.” - SUSAN MACZKO

**COME PREPARED!**

“Be prepared and somewhat knowledgeable about what we need to discuss. I don’t want you to come in and ask, ‘What do I need to know?’” - AARON HAWLEY

**WHAT SHOULD I MAJOR IN?**

“Look at the requirements of a program to see if it sounds like something you want to do or learn. You could also take a class that is representative of that major and see if you like it.” - JAYNIE GILBERT

**THE INITIAL MEETING.**

“During our initial meeting, I will provide information about your major and answer any questions you have. You should follow my direction in registering for courses, knowing that I have your success in mind.” - ANITA GARTEN

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**WHAT ELECTIVES SHOULD I TAKE?**

“If it is a program elective, you should select something you find interesting or that may benefit you in the future. As for ‘free’ electives, it is perfectly acceptable to choose something fun or interesting, but if it is several electives, you may want to select classes that may benefit you.” - DEDRA COBB

**WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT STUDYING ONLINE?**

“Prepare for late nights and weekends being used for course preparation or attendance to class or meetings with other students. You should also prepare for use of technology in ways you may not have experienced before.” - DALE DZIELSKI

**SHOULD I CHANGE CAREERS?**

“Make sure that this is the best route for you. Pick a career that is going to bring you joy.” - DAMIA DOBBS

**WILL I BE ABLE TO GET A JOB?**

“I have you write out personal priorities and goals to keep you centered during the job search. Many of our students have multiple job offers and it helps you to know your own worth and personal values.” - JENNY FULLER

**HELP! I’M STRUGGLING!**

“I can’t stress this enough, if you are having difficulties the first thing you need to do is contact your professor. No one has more insight into that class than the professor. If you are still having difficulties after that, come to me and I can provide a myriad of resources to help you to succeed in your program.” - JOHN MULLINS

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