

Dual Advising Program

Under the Dual Advising Program, you will have a faculty advisor, as well as a professional advisor (Student Development Specialist, or SDS) in the Advising Center. If you have declared a major, your faculty advisor will be a full-time member of your major's academic department.

Responsibilities of Professional and Faculty Advisors

Professional Advisor

- ❖ Placement testing
- ❖ Orientation (Advising Portion)
- ❖ Specialized services (as needed)
- ❖ Creation of 4-Year Academic Plan
- ❖ Adjustment to college life
- ❖ Engagement in Eastern
- ❖ Selecting a major
- ❖ Probationary students
- ❖ Course selection for undeclared students
- ❖ Career coaching

Faculty Advisor

- ❖ Departmental orientation
- ❖ Major course selection
- ❖ Career mentoring
- ❖ Academic Plan for majors
- ❖ Monitor progress of probationary students within their majors
- ❖ Individualized academic needs

- **Dual-advising services are used to help first-year students:**
 - Develop positive relationships with both a faculty and professional advisor
 - Receive a working knowledge of academic policies and procedures
 - Select and/or confirm their major
 - Become actively engaged in college life at Eastern
 - First-year students are assigned a Student Development Specialist (SDS) at the Advising Center. First-year students' faculty and professional advisor (SDS) information can be found in their E-Web accounts at the beginning of their first semester of attendance