

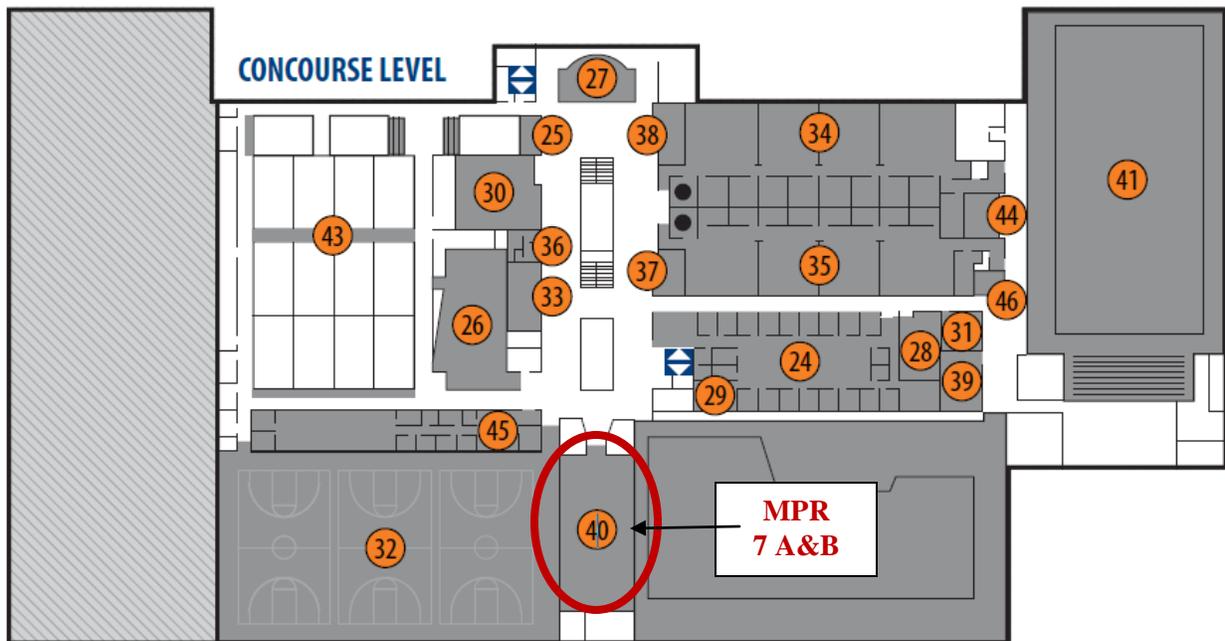
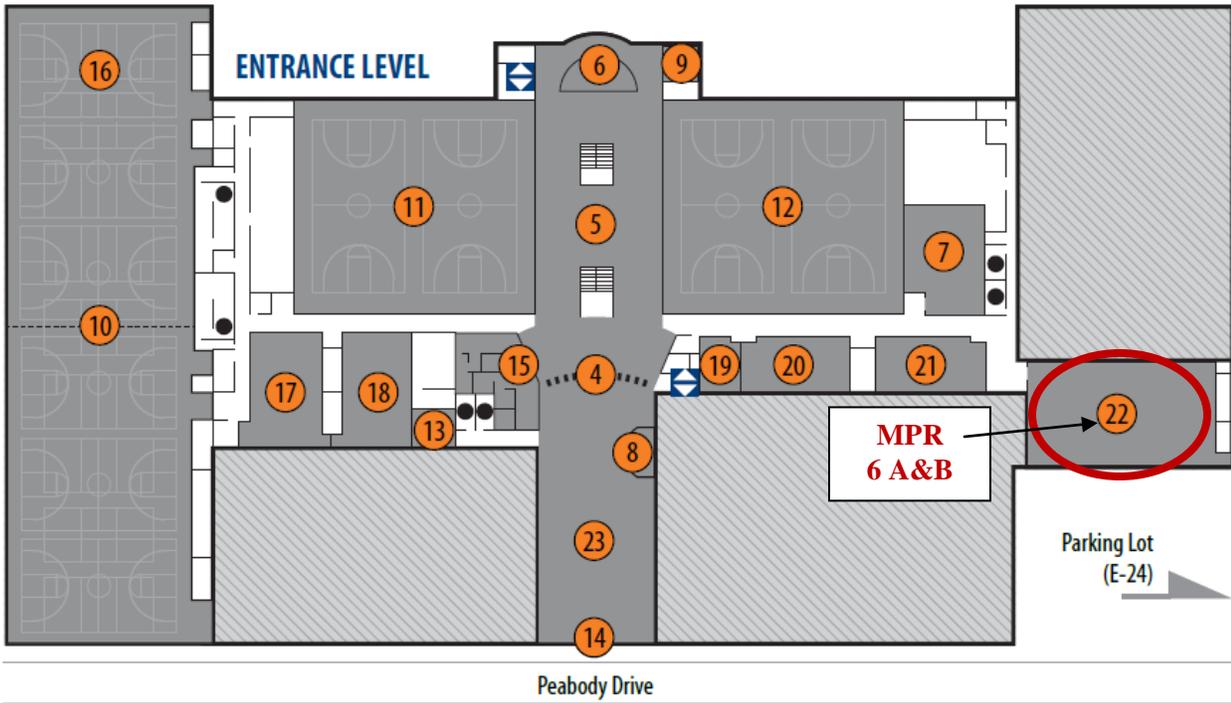
# **IlliAAC Advising Conference**



**Helping  
Us  
Help  
Students**

**December 14, 2012**

# Map of the ARC



## Schedule of Events

### Friday, December 14, 2012

Time	Event	Location
8:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m.	Participant Check-In and Light Continental Breakfast	MPR 6A
9:00 a.m.—9:30 a.m.	Keynote Speaker Dr. Phyllis Wise Vice President and Chancellor	MPR 6B
9:30 a.m.—9:35 a.m.	Welcoming Remarks	MPR 6B
9:45 a.m.—10:45 a.m.	Program Session 1	MPR 6B MPR 7A MPR 7B
10:55 a.m.—11:55 a.m.	Program Session 2	MPR 6B MPR 7A MPR 7B
12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.	Lunch	MPR 6A
1:00 p.m. — 2:00 p.m.	Program Session 3	MPR 6B MPR 7A MPR 7B
2:10 p.m.— 2:30 p.m.	Wrap Up & Giveaways	MPR 6 A

***For the second year in a row, IlliAAC is collecting winter accessories such as hats, ear muffs, gloves, mittens, and scarves to keep local boys and girls warm this season! If you want to participate, please bring new items with you and place them in the drop box at the registration table!***

## Advisors or Lifeguards? Pulling Students Out of the Deep End

**Location: MPR 6B**

**Presenters:**

- Todd Spinner – Academic Advisor, School of Chemical Sciences
- Elaina Bielser – Academic Advisor, School of Chemical Sciences
- Patricia Simpson – Director of Academic Advising and Career Counseling & Placement, School of Chemical Sciences



### **Program Abstract:**

Advisors across campus have been commenting that academic success issues with students seem to be increasing this semester. Students are struggling to meet their own expectations as well of those of the University AND often come to their advisor to receive assistance. This presentation comes from discussion between advisors from totally different curriculums across campus. Political Science and Chemistry and Chemical Engineering are as different as can be, but in looking at the strategies of successful advising and student success initiatives in both departments, several common and a few different strategies emerged and will be shared in this presentation.



## **Tweet Us, Like Us, Watch Us! MCB Goes Viral.**

**Location: MPR 7A**

**Presenter:**

- Arif Fazal, Instructional Specialist & Academic Advisor, School of Molecular and Cellular Biology

### **Program Abstract:**

Today's students expect instant communication and results from their advisors. The current generation has grown up with high-speed Internet, computers everywhere and texting. One simply has to look at social media outlets to see that everything is a headline. Short and to the point seems to be the best way to gain students attention. This presentation will share how the MCB Advising Program has increased use of social media to communicate news and events to students. We will discuss outlets we use and present data demonstrating how effective they have been in gaining students attention and increasing their involvement.

## How Academic Issues Impact Financial Aid

**Location: MPR 7B**

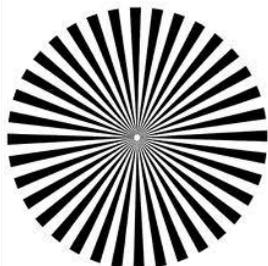
**Presenters:**

- Charles Mayfield – Associate Director, Office of Student Financial Aid
- Clarice Merriman - Assistant Director, Office of Student Financial Aid
- Jessa Morgan – Student Financial Aid Administrator, Office of Student Financial Aid



### **Program Abstract:**

S of students on this campus receive financial aid and meeting financial aid requirements is crucial for their academic success. Some well-intended academic decisions can have unintended consequences that result in students losing their aid eligibility. Helping students make well-informed decisions to accomplish their academic goals while they work to maintain their financial aid eligibility demands some thoughtful consideration. This session will provide information on how students are impacted by Satisfactory Academic Progress, changes in enrollment status (add/drop/withdrawal), studying abroad, enrollment in non-standard term courses, repeat coursework and dual degree programs.



## Customer Service Through the Chaos: Staying Student-Focused

Location: MPR 6B

Presenters:

- Todd Spinner – Academic Advisor, School of Chemical Sciences
- Elaina Bielser – Academic Advisor, School of Chemical Sciences
- Katie Clark – Academic Advisor, Political Science

### Program Abstract:

As advisors, we are faced with increased student loads, with various issues and are often must address difficult situations. This presentation will examine how to maintain student-focused advising even during the crazy times. We will be examining the strategies and changes we made to the School of Chemical Sciences advising to concentrate on student-focused customer service as a main philosophy of our Academic Advising and Career Counseling & Placement Services Office and how that has led to both success for our office, our students and our advisors.

## Encouraging Multiple Visits within Career Counseling

Location: MPR 7A

Presenters:

- Chris Ritzo – Information Management Specialist, The Career Center
- Marianna DiVietro – Assistant Director, Student Outreach, The Career Center



### Program Abstract:

Recent research suggests students' self-efficacy increases as a result of an individual career counseling appointments, and identifies the relationship between the career counselor and the student as central to the career counseling service as an intervention (Makela, 2011). One quality that was found to enhance that relationship was invitations to return for additional assistance. Presenters will share The Career Centers strategies for encouraging return visits. From case studies of counselors with high return rates, to broader service changes, this session will engage participants in discussion and sharing of best practices for connecting with students in career counseling or advising.



## What Have You Done For Me Lately: Advisor Evaluation Processes and Challenges

Location: MPR 7B

Presenter:

- Dr. Nicole Holtzclaw-Stone – Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology

### Program Abstract:

How do you summarize your yearly accomplishments to your supervisor? The process of annual reviews can be stressful and confusing. In this session, we will discuss strategies to approach your supervisor with an annual activity report that will leave YOU asking, 'What Have You Done For Me Lately?', instead of the other way around.

## Advising Students: A Mixed Bag

Location: MPR 6B

**Presenters:**

- Chasity Bree – Assistant Director of Student and Career Services, School of Labor and Employment Relations
- Lori Kay Paden – Academic Advisor & Lecturer, Recreation, Sport, and Tourism and Wellness Consultant



**Program Abstract:**

Advisors take on many roles when working with students. Join us for an interactive session that will challenge you to think about your advising role in a way you might not have thought about it before. Tie in your pastime to spice up an advising session. Experiment with a creative approach to advising and determine how you can implement or tweak it to fit your personal advising style. Gain a fresh perspective and leave inspired to implement alternative techniques to help the students you serve.



## First Steps Info Session for Advisors

Location: MRP 7A

**Presenter:**

- Bridget Doyle – Outreach Coordinator, Study Abroad Office
- Teneisha Ellis – Specialist in International Projects, Study Abroad Office

**Program Abstract:**

Help your students compliment their educational plan by studying abroad! The Study Abroad Office is offering a First Steps Info Session, but for Advisors! Based on the weekly First Steps Info Session given to students, this presentation will cover program options for students, locations, durations, credit/course approvals, cost, scholarships, deadlines, petition programs, and finally how you as an advisor can help create programs for your students. Examples that will be given include the Social Work program in Costa Rica, the KU-Lueven Experience in Belgium, and National Taiwan University, a program opening in 2014.

## The Student Intern: An Untapped Resource

Location: MPR 7B

**Presenters:**

- Dr. Nicole Holtzclaw-Stone – Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Sociology
- Barbara I. Hall – Academic Advisor, Communication
- Megan Kosovski – Academic Advisor, Communication
- Undergraduate Student Intern



**Program Abstract:**

This program will examine ways to utilize undergraduate interns. Given the growing student demand for work-related experiences, providing such opportunities in campus offices can be beneficial to both the student and the office begin served. Participants will discuss some examples where interns have been used for advising, events planning, developing social media, and more.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



## IlliAAC General Meetings

**February 19, 2013**

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Location TBA

Regardless of your department you may come across students who are no longer interested in your major and undecided about what major or career path they want to take. We will discuss different methods of working with these students.

**March 27, 2013**

9:00-11:00 a.m.

ACES Heritage Library

With the current financial issues of the university and the state of Illinois we all have concerns about everything from health insurance to retirement. We will have representatives from HR at this meeting to present some important information and answer your questions.

**April 23, 2013**

9:00-11:00 a.m.

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Awards and end of the year wrap up.

## Snack Bytes

**Wednesday, February 27, 2013**

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Student Services Building Financial Aid Conference Room

We all get questions about Financial Aid. While we won't ever expect you to be experts this snack byte should help you with basic questions and issues that come up when you meet with your students.

*For those that are interested, join fellow attendees at Legends for lunch.*

**March 26, 2013**

9:00 – 10:00 am

Location TBA

We spend most of our time helping our students at the sacrifice to our own personal health and fitness. This session will provide you with tips for healthy snacks and quick exercises you can do at your desk between student appointments. No more excuses!

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