Date: December 18, 2018

To: Dr. Marquell Johnson, Chair
    Academic Policies Committee

Fr: Albert Colom
    Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management

Re: Recommended changes to the policy on required advising prior to registration

The Division of Enrollment Management recommends the following change to policy regarding required advising to be effective for Fall 19 registration.

From the UW-Eau Claire catalog: http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-regulations/registration/

CURRENT POLICY:
Advising is required prior to registration for
1. all freshmen and sophomores,
2. juniors and seniors on academic warning or probation,
3. transfers seeking a first degree, and
4. all students with a major in the College of Business regardless of classification or academic standing.

PROPOSED POLICY:
Advising is required prior to registration for all undergraduate degree-seeking students.

Rationale for the change:
Required contact each semester will allow advisors to discuss with students their overall progress in their academic programs, follow-up on persistent and new issues/challenges and provide a consistent level of support throughout their time at the University. These appointments will help with the University’s retention efforts and assist in meeting the Chancellor’s guideposts of 100 percent HIPs and 50 percent of students graduating in 4 years.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have regarding this recommendation. A member of the enrollment management group will also be available to answer questions when APC formally considers this change.