Academic Advising in the iCharleston Program

iCharleston 2017
What is an Academic Advisor?

• “Academic advising is a collaborative relationship between a student and an academic advisor. The intent of this collaboration is to assist the student in the development of meaningful educational goals that are consistent with personal interests, values and abilities.” (Dearborn, 2002)

• “Advisors teach students how to make the most of their college experience.” (Miller, 2012)
Academic Advising & Planning Center

The Academic Advising Dialogue

- Establish Goals
- Discuss Courses
- Develop Action Plan
- Recognize Challenges & Competing Demands
- Identify Values, Strengths, Interests & Abilities

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Expectations - Student

• If you make an appointment with me, SHOW UP!
  – Make sure to cancel if you cannot make our appointment

• Be prepared!
  – Advising homework
  – Come with questions
  – Goals, course ideas, major/ minor options, academic concerns

Expectations - Advisor

• Confidentiality - FERPA
• “Advising as teaching”
• Referrals
iCharleston Academic Advising Model

- Fall 2017:
  - September - First Skype meeting
  - November - On-site visit
  - December - Second Skype meeting
  - **Students may schedule additional Skype sessions, if desired

- Spring 2018:
  - Two mandatory advising meetings in AAPC

- Fall 2018:
  - Two mandatory advising meetings in AAPC
Transferring Credits From iCHS Site Locations

- Registrar has vetted ALL course options offered to you
- As long as a C or better is earned in your classes abroad, the credit HOURS transfer over
- Average of 14-17 credit hours per semester until graduation
  - Register for 15 hours abroad & STAY in them!
Differences Between FIE/DBS/UBCO & CofC Academics

• Less assignments abroad, but more consistent work at CofC
  – Develop good academic habits abroad!
  – Get to know your syllabi

• More field trips abroad
  – More work gets completed in class
  – Building in more time outside class at CofC to get work done

• More reminders about assignments abroad
  – Class sizes will be fairly small (except in Kelowna) so professors will likely remind you to get assignments turned in
Dublin Courses

• Irish Life & Cultures (required) → ANTH 109 (elective)
• College Writing (required) → ENGL 110 (fulfills writing requirement)
• War & Peace in the 20th Century → HIST 241 (elective)
• Film Studies Today → ENGL 212 (humanities)
• Introduction to Literature: Poetry & Fiction → ENGL 190 (humanities)
• Psychological Foundations → PSYC 103 (social science)
• Ireland’s Media → COMM 1EE (COMM elective)
• Event Planning & Operations → HTMT 1EE (HTMT elective)
• Math & Stats for Business → MATH 103 (math - NOT applicable to business major)
• Intro to Theatre & Drama → THTR 176 (humanities)
Kelowna Courses

- Intro to Indigenous Studies (required) → ANTH 109 (elective)
- Popular Music & Visual Culture → MUSC 222 (humanities)
- Media & Popular Cultures in Global Context → ENGL 190 (humanities)
- Intro to Philosophy → PHIL 101 (humanities)
- Intro to Comparative Politics → POLI 240 (elective)
- Intro to Sociology → SOCY 101 (social science)
- Sustainability → ENVT 1EE (Enviro Studies elective)
- Global Contemporary Art → ARTH 391 (elective)
- Intro to Writing Fiction & Drama → ENGL 1EE (English elective)
- Intro to Digital Media → ARTS 1EE (studio art elective)
- Finite Math → MATH 103 (math)
- Intro to Film → ENGL 212 (humanities)
London Courses

• **British Life & Cultures (required)** → ANTH 109 (elective)
• Photojournalism → COMM 1EE (COMM elective)
• Sporting London → SOCY 109 (social science)
• Islam & the West → HIST 250 (humanities)
• Music in 20th Century Britain → MUSC 222 (humanities)
• Modern & Contemporary Fine Art → ARTH 285 (humanities)
• Contemporary British Theatre → THTR 176 (humanities)
• British History → HIST 241 (elective)
• Environmental Science → ENVT 1EE (Enviro elective)
• Contemporary British Broadcasting → COMM 2EE (COMM elective)
Questions???