Academic Advising in the iCharleston Program
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 at CofC

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 of Students

- If you make an appointment, **SHOW UP!**
  - Make sure to cancel if you cannot make our appointment
- Be prepared!
  - Advising homework
  - Questions
  - Goals, course ideas, major/minor options, academic concerns

## Expectations of Advisors

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

- **Fall 2018:**
  - September - First contact meeting
  - November - On-site visit
  - December - Second contact meeting
    **Students can schedule additional Skype sessions if desired**

- **Spring 2019:**
  - January - New Student Orientation on CofC campus
  - Two mandatory advising meetings in AAPC

- **Fall 2019:**
  - 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
Differences Between FIE/DBS & 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 so professors will likely remind you to get assignments turned in
# Educational Requirements at CofC

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Gen Eds at CofC

- First-Year Writing (4 credit hrs)
- Foreign Language (up to 202 level)
- History (6 credit hrs)
- Natural Science (8 credit hrs)
- Social Science (6 credit hrs)
- Math (6 credit hrs OR 4 credit hrs of Calculus)
- Humanities (12 credit hrs)
- First-Year Experience (3 - 8 credit hrs)
Dublin Courses

- **Irish Life & Cultures** *(required)* → ANTH 109 (Elective)
- **College Writing** *(required)* → ENGL 110 (Writing requirement)
- War & Peace in the 20th Century → HIST 241 (Elective)
- Intro to Sociology → SOCY 101 (Social science)
- 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 104 (Math requirement)
- Intro to Theatre & Drama → THTR 176 (Humanities)
London Courses

- **British Life & Cultures** *(required) → ANTH 109 (Elective)*
- Photojournalism → COMM 1EE (Comm elective)
- 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)
- Media in Britain → COMM 2EE (Comm elective)
- British Music Industry → ARTM 210
- Political Economy of the EU → POLI 102 (Social Science)
College Reads - The Hate U Give

• Passport to CofC

• First-Year Experience Seminars and other courses at CofC in the Spring
Send in those HS transcripts and any Dual Enrollment college transcripts!