College of Nursing Advising Philosophy

Under normal circumstances, faculty and staff advisors will acknowledge receipt of an advisee inquiry within 2 business days. Important aspects of the faculty/staff advising role include:

1. Guiding the student through his/her program of study and completion of graduation requirements.
2. Referring the student to resources as needed and/or requested.
3. Supporting the student through mentorship, including healthy self-direction in all aspects of the academic environment.
4. Promoting personal, professional and intellectual development and academic excellence, including encouraging self-directed learning.
5. Evaluating student progress in meeting requirements of the program.
6. In collaboration with course faculty, fostering professional and academic accountability.

Important aspects of the advisee role include:

1. Abiding by the University of Kentucky Health Care Colleges Code of Student Professional Conduct.
2. Actively engaging in advising and learning process.
3. Keeping the advisor apprised of personal challenges that are, or may, impact his/her academic performance.
4. Seeking support when needed.
5. Reading and responding, as appropriate, to all programmatic communication in a timely manner.
6. Utilizing the student handbook.
7. Scheduling and keeping appointments with advisor throughout semester.
8. Evaluating the advisor as requested.

Approved by College of Nursing faculty 11/21/08.