Project: Pre-Orientation Media Sites & Quiz

Media Sites are modules presenting general advising information common to all majors to be viewed by First Year (FY) students prior to attending Orientation. After viewing the modules FY students will take a short quiz and confirmation of taking the quiz will be sent to the student and the Academic Advisors.

Modules

Each module contains a power point slide show along with a video presentation. Scripts were written for each module presentation for filming purposes.

There are seven Pre-Orientation Module Presentations:

1. Introduction and Welcome
2. Degree Components
3. Competencies
4. General Education
5. University Policies
6. Degree Progress Report
7. Advising Help

Content of Modules

Using the “Advising Inventory” from summer 2008, it was determined that the following topics applied to all FY students, regardless of Major.

- LDGE
- UDGE
- 70 unit max rule for Community Colleges
- American Institutions
- Language other than English requirement (LOTER)
- Computer Competency Requirement (CCR)
- Total units needed to graduate
- Degree components
- Avoiding walk-away F’s
- Degree Progress Report (DPR)
- How to schedule an Advising Appointment
Delivery of Modules

Module presentations are delivered and viewed utilizing on-line media sites. The presenters for the modules consisted of selected Student Life and Leadership O-Team students, Academic Advisors, and the Undergraduate Advising Services Director. FY students view the modules and complete a short quiz prior to coming to FY orientation. A pre-orientation quiz will be taken at the end of the modules to reinforce advising information presented. The pre-orientation quiz, with the answers, will be placed in the Orientation Handbook and given to students when they attend FY Orientation. Students can use the handbook as a resource further reinforcing the advising information. In addition, the on-line Media Site Modules will be available to watch at any time should a student want to review a particular module.

Goals and Objectives

1. To free up time in the Advising portion of the First Year Orientation allowing more in-depth discussion of the individual Majors.

2. To reduce overload of information students were receiving on Orientation day by moving common advising material to a Pre-Orientation delivery style.

3. To increase FY retention through availability of modules on-line as an on-going resource. Students can view the modules at anytime should questions arise. For example, the importance of understanding GPA, withdrawal policies, and how to get help when needed.

4. To utilize Modules and Quiz as a training tool for Student Life and Leadership O-Team members, thereby allowing them an expanded role at Orientation in the Advising rooms to answer general questions(covered in modules) and freeing up Academic Advisors for more in-depth advising.

Campus Involvement

This project involved the following departments and individuals to create and complete this project.

1. Media Site Brainstorm Idea:
   OPT Advising Workgroup Advisors

2. Feedback and Review of Pre-Orientation Power Point and Quiz:
   Undergraduate Advising Services

3. Pre-Orientation Power Point Editors for Modules:
   Linda Astorga, Gwen Hansen, Laurie Lindeneau, Teri Renner

4. Quiz creation and posting to Cascade:
   Teri Renner

5. Quiz Editors:
   Linda Astorga, Gwen Hansen, Laurie Lindeneau
Campus Involvement Continued

6. Pre-Orientation Homework Outline:
   Maggie Badillo

7. Module Script Writers:
   Silver Haro, Gwen Hansen, Laurie Lindeneau, Teri Renner

8. Script Editors:
   Gwen Hansen, Laurie Lindeneau, Teri Renner

9. Filming Coordinator and Background Consultant:
   Gwen Hansen

10. Media Site Presenters:
    O-Team Students:
        Ivan Garcia, Jamie Inarda, Emily Rehm, Arthur Silverstein, Nicholas Stein
    Academic Advisors:
        Silverio Haro, Gwen Hansen, Laurie Lindeneau, Teri Renner
    UAS Director: Andres Favela
    IITS: Pam Bell

11. Media Site Producer & Editor:
    IITS: Justin Powers

12. Project Overview & Workflow:
    Gwen Hansen

13. Project Overview Editor:
    Laurie Lindeneau

14. Feedback & Review of completed Media Site Modules:
    OPT Advising Workgroup:
    Dawn Formo, Jennie Goldman, Gwen Hansen, Laurie Lindeneau, Teri Renner

15. Final Review:
    Student Life & Leadership:
    Dilcie Perez

16. Advising Modules presented to Orientation Planning Team:
    Linda Astorga; Nathan Evans; Andres Favela; Dawn Formo; Geoffrey Gilmore; Jennie Goldman; Laurie Lindeneau; Joanne Pedersen; Dilcie Perez; Candace Vandall; Cecilia Vielma-Schouve