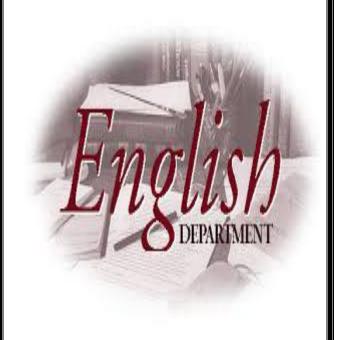


**Academic Advising Guide Department of English Language** 



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## Head of the Department Message Dear Students:

The department of English language is committed to support your academic journey by emphasizing advising and mentoring to help you identify and achieve your goals. The principle purpose of the academic advising is to help you, in planning your academic career. Successful academic advising occurs when you, your advisor and counsellor work together as partners in seeking academic advisement prior to registering for classes is critically important. Academic advising and counselling is a service that offers students opportunities to learn much more than what courses they should take to complete a major. This includes advice about a wide array of matters related to students' choices of majors and courses, including appropriateness between those choices and students' career goals, further educational goals, and abilities.

Ultimately, responsibility for making decisions about your life goals and educational plans rests with you.

The Head of Department

Dr. Nouf Abdullah

## Academic Advising Guide

#### Introduction

The Concept of Academic Advising: Academic Advising is an essential and central element in the educational system, it is an objective response to the economic, humanitarian and social variables built into the system and philosophy of education, as well as being responsive to the needs of the student to Communicate with university education, which represents a necessary national development to achieve humanity innovation and excellence requirements. The Academic Advising is represented in the two axises of the advising process: the educational institution and the student, the specialized academic advisor who works through the academic advising unit throughout the academic year strengthens this role, the academic advising process is integrated through the conscious and understanding of all advising parties involved; to direct the student the most appropriate way to achieve the desired success and adapt with the university environment.

This goal is achieved by providing students with various academic skills, which raise their academic achievement and the ability to discuss their scientific ambitions, it also includes educating students about regulations and the laws of the university, all through a variety of counselling services such as single academic advising, and various advising and consulting programs. Moreover, Academic Advising helps students to formulate their goals, and to take appropriate decisions regarding their academic and professional future, through the maximum use of all the possibilities and alternatives available. Academic Advising works constantly to simplify and facilitate the administrative procedures, in order to provide the best and high quality services for students in a standard time in accordance with the overall quality sought by the college in light of the increase in the means of investing in the educational and intellectual projects and scientific research standards.

#### **Academic Advising**

The academic advising is an essential procedure in educating students and it is very important to achieve the requirement of high quality in the educational process. A faculty advisor will be assigned to each student at College of Rumaah at Majmaah University. The role of the advisor with student begins since the student joined the university until graduation. The Guidance and Advisory Unit in accordance with departments assign a group of students for each faculty member who is responsible for guiding them in their academic life. The purpose of academic advising is to improve the student's performance and to help him/her to understand the college environment.

#### **Academic Advising Skills**

To achieve the desired goals of the academic advising, there are several skills that the advisor should have, mainly:

- 1. Leadership quality: to lead students with a teamwork spirit to achieve the desired goals.
- 2. Empathy: to be involved in students' emotional and psychological problems and aspirations. 3. Planning: to trace the required plans for each student to achieve success.
- 4. Organization: A good time-management to facilitate communication with students.
- 5. Listening: the ability to listen to students properly and embrace them.
- 6. Decision-making and problem-solving: making the best choice, fast implementation and creativity in solving problems.
- 7. Collective advising: the ability to advise students collectively, organize and influence them.

#### Tasks of the Academic Advising Unit Coordinator

There is an academic advising unit in each faculty headed by a member of the faculty staff. Such coordinator has the following tasks:

1. General supervision of the work of academic advisors and follow up the cases referred to him/her.

- 2. Welcome new students on the first day of study and introduce them to the university regulations.
- 3. Allocate students in a fair manner between faculty staff taking into consideration all psychological, social and linguistic factors.
- 4. Receive reports about students' issues in addition to the reports sent by the academic advisors, solve their problems or refer them to Vice Dean for Academic Affairs or to Dean if needed.
- 5. Organize counselling meetings, seminars and workshops to advance the academic advising efforts.
- 6. Facilitate the tasks of the academic advisors and prepare students' files and forms.
- 7. Discuss with the faculty council (the Dean or heads of departments) all new developments related to students and suggest solutions and ways for development.

#### The student's academic advisor's tasks:

The student's academic advisor's tasks are assigned as follows:

#### First: Technical Tasks:

- 1. Filling in specific forms for each student whom he was assigned to advise academically. These forms include the following:
  - Student's information form.
  - A semester updated study plan for students. (One can get it from the eacademic services system (Edugate).
  - Registration Form.
  - An up-to-date copy of the academic portfolio (a transcript). (One can get it from the e-academic services system (Edugate).
  - Other administrative documents (such as deleting, adding, and withdrawing forms).
  - Emergency reports form for the academic advisor's meetings with students, and it should be given to the academic advising coordinator in the college.
  - The end of semester report form for the academic advisor's meetings with students which should be given to the academic advising coordinator in the college at the end of each semester.

- The academic advisor can contact the academic advising coordinator to get these forms.
- 2. Courses Registering Process: The academic advisor checks the students file and his major and helps him to fill his own registration form before the date of registration.
- 3. Choosing the Course: The academic advisor should take a look on the student's action plan through the e-academic services system (Edugate) in order to help the students choose their courses; and he should make sure of the following:
- a. A student has passed all the required courses and the previous requirements with a grade not less than (D) because he won't be allowed to register in any course till, he passes its previous requirement.
- b. Knowing the minimum and maximum accredited hours which a student is allowed to register according to his current status (student's academic load).
- 3. Sorting out the graduation requirements:

A student needs to pass the courses or the accredited hours to get the bachelor's degree in his major as follows:

- Carrying out the mandatory university requirements successfully.
- > Carrying out the mandatory college requirements successfully.
- Carrying out the mandatory department requirements successfully.
- Passing all the required courses with a cumulative grade that shouldn't be less than (2.0).
- 4. Helping the student to prepare a timetable and a study plan to complete all the graduation requirements within the maximum permitted period of years.
- 5. Explaining the grades average (both for each semester and cumulative): The student's semester and cumulative performance is measured through calculating the semester and cumulative grades average.

<b>Grade Symbols</b>	A+	A	B+	В	C+	C	D+	D	F
<b>Grade Points</b>	5	5.75	4.50	4.00	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.00

- 6. Performance evaluation: The academic supervisor explains to student that his efforts should be commensurate with his GPA to pass easily.
- 8. Help students to choose their majors according to their inclinations and capabilities in the multi-specialization's faculties and departments.

- 9. Solving problems: The academic supervisor helps students to cope with problems related to their majors through shedding light on the causes of the problem and then suggesting solutions.
- 9. Refer the student to those who can answer his social, academic or even psychological queries if not acquainted by the academic advisor (Referral to the appropriated and concerned authorities at the university).

#### **Secondly: Administrative tasks:**

The academic advisor helps student to take his decisions about the following procedures:

1. Change a major. Add and delete courses. Withdraw from a course. Withdraw from a term. Withdraw from the University. Notice: It's very important to refer to the registration rules which organize such procedures and its academic consequences, which can be found at the Admission and Registration Deanship website.

#### 2. Student's absence

The absence is formally considered from the first day of study. According to the policy of the university, the student receives the first warning letter in case of being absent about 5% of the total approved teaching hours of the course. He receives the second warning letter in case of being absent 10% of the total approved teaching hours of the course and he might receive a denial in case of being absent for more than 25% of the total approved teaching hours of the course. Notice: the student who has received a denial is considered as failed in the course (With the need to review the list of coercive excuses for university students).

# Duties of the academic advisor in situations of social and psychological advising:

1. The academic advisor should guide his students within the academic duties, along with his educational role in giving a helping hand to the student in psychological and social problems, according to the areas he can help with. In cases that seem difficult to deal with, the academic advisor should send these cases to the specialized departments inside University and guide the student to refer to and make use of these services.

- 2. The academic advisor should help the student to meet his psychological or social counsellor in cases which the academic advisor sees that need the student to be sent to the psychological or social counsellor. It is necessary that the student should be told that it does not mean that he is mentally or psychologically disordered. The counsellor should assure him regarding to the privacy and confidentiality of the subject.
- 3. The academic advisor must provide psychological and social counsellor with brief information about the student's status, if the student wanted that.
- 4. The academic advisor should maintain the highest level of secrecy in organizing the guidance sessions.

Caring outstanding students: Helping the outstanding students is considered one of the tasks that the academic advisor must do, in order to preserve and invest these unique cadres. The academic advisor can perform these roles as follows:

- 1. Following-up students' academic records regularly and helping them to continue to excellence.
- 2. Spiritual support, encouragement, and constant stimulation.
- 3. Overcoming any obstacles regarding registration, deletion, or addition of any school subjects and what is necessary to continue to excellence.
- 4. Introducing them to the heads of departments and giving them the chance to meet the Dean of the college.
- 5. Guiding them to the concerned departments in university, to improve their skills and talents and support excellence, such as:
  - Deanship of Students' Affairs.
  - Students' Support Management in University Agency for Academic Affairs.
  - Students' Innovation and Ideas Emerging Center.
- 6. Considering the psychological and social conditions and getting benefit from specialists in it.

#### **Caring for the stumbling students:**

- 1. Following-up these students' academic records regularly.
- 2. Holding meetings with them, and searching for the causes of weakness, and motivating them, to get improved and raise rates. The counsellor should register that in the students' own records.

- 3. Setting an action plan fitting their levels and enabling them to overcome their tripping and weaknesses and considering the academic load.
- 4. Taking into consideration the psychological and social conditions as much as possible and take advantage of the specialists.
- 5. If necessary, turn these students to the concerned departments at University, such as:
  - Deanship of Students' Affairs.
  - Students' Support Management in University Agency for Academic Affairs.
  - Counselling and Guidance Center.
- 6. Integrating these students into the educational community and involving them in a distinct enrichment programs and linking them to strong students to take advantage from them.

#### Academic Electronic Guidance Manual (Electronic Version)

It is a service that is available on University Academic System Website on the Internet. A faculty member can find out the names of the students to advise academically, who are appointed to him by his scientific department. By clicking on the link (Academic Advising) a table will appear to the faculty member, containing the students' names who will be guided by him.



As shown in the table, each student can see the following options:

1. Academic record.



- 2. Student's plan.
- 3. Personal data.

#### 1. Academic record:

By clicking on the academic record link, the lecturer can see the student's academic record, in order to be able to guide him academically, as shown in the table below.

The lecturer can print out the academic record as shown in the table below:

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## 2. Student's plan:

By clicking on the student's plan link, the student's academic plan will appear to the lecturer. The lecturer, then, will be able to guide the student correctly through his plan. Moreover, the lecturer can print the plan when needed. The student's plan appears as shown in the table.



#### 3-The student's personal data:

By clicking on the personal data link, the lecturer will be able to see the student's personal data. Also, the lecturer can get the required information to help him/her in the process of academic advising.

# Forms



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Academic Advisor:	المرشد الاكاديمي:	
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اسم المرشد الاكاديمي:

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## متابعة التقدير التراكمي للطالب Student's Cumulative GPA Follow-up

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ID No	الرقم الجامعي:
Department:	القسو

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