University Advisors Network
November 10, 2020
9:30-11:00am
Join via TEAMS: [Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

Attendees: Patricia Armstrong, Kay Banks, Valeria Bates, Sam Beals, Jillian Bigony, Jane Bouknight, Rebecca Boyd, Rachel Bradley, Caitlyn Brockington, Avette Brown, Claudia Carriere, Mike Dial, Brian Dusel, Lauren Epps, Pinkney Epps, Meghan Fields, Teresa Florentin, Gwen Geidel, Lori Giordano, Christina Halliwell, Beatrice Harrison, Dawn Hiller, Eric Holt, Rushondra James, Jeff Wilson, Rebecca Keilty, Kristi Kinslow, Loren Knapp, Leah Lindsey, Laken Long, Melissa Lowe, Amanda Lucas, Ali Mathwig, Sabrina McClure, Sara McConville, Paige McKeown, Meredith McNeice, Nicole Montgomery, Alexis Mynio, Skylar Prictchard, Claire Robinson, Kaylee Rogers, Lauren Sanborn, Kaylie Scanlon, Kathy Smiling, Jan Smoak, Catherine Studemeyer, Amanda Therrell, Jenn Tilford, Nancy Tolson, Heidi Waltz, Trudie Wierts

Welcome and approval of October [UAN Minutes](#) 　　　　　　　　　　　**Loren Knapp**
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- Reminder to sign up for the Advisor's Conference on Feb 12
- New UAN Co-Chair beginning January 2021- Kathy Smiling
　　　Loren Knapp last UAN meeting will be December 2020

Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society, [membership](#) 　　　　　　　　　　　　　　**Eric Holt**
- It is not something to apply to but to make you aware of the aspects to be invited
- At USC in 1926.
- It is the oldest honor society in the nation.10% of college have the honor society, founded in 1776
- about 1% of the students are elected
- Review academic records oaf top 10 percent look at courses in the arts and science
- 290 chapters and 50 alumni associations
- Wofford, Clemson and Furman have chapters
- George A Wauchop Award – graduation senior PBK member with the highest gpa and most liberal course hours
- Freshman awards – presented mid sophomore year who maintained a 4.0 during freshmen year
- Event hosting – visiting scholar program Ken Ono will be coming virtually in March 25-26, 2021
- How many do we have on campus – 184 new initiates in 2019 about half of those invited.
- Students can be invited as a junior or senior. Calculation can be tricky due to all of the extra credit hours being brought in to the university

Admissions update 　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　**Teresa Florentin**
- Fall 2020 freshmen class – we enrolled 5744 freshman our goal was 5800

- Class profile – average sat 1240; average act 27.7
- All freshmen 5744 capstone 1486 honors 580
- 2021 freshmen class – discussing goal but will be in the number of 5000-6000 range
- Applications and deadline – up about 5%
- Honors deadline – Nov 15
- Freshmen priority deadline – dec 1
- What is new – test optional for 2021; encourage students to self report test scores; not required for the admission or scholarship awarding process
- Students select one of 3 supplemental materials to be used – SAT or ACT scores; three alternative exam scores (AP, IB, AICE); or a graded writing assignment
- Supplemental will be reviewed in conjunction with high school transcript and the application along written statements
- Added new question to application – Community disruptions such as COVID-19 and natural disaster can have a deep and long-lasting impacts. Do you wish to give details of the impact on you or your family?
- We use 3 applications - Common app, coalition app, our own app
- System transfers and transfer applications are down (23.79%) but up in admits (26.60%) for Spring 2021
- Extended application date to **November 15** for Spring 2021
- **Transfer admissions policy working group** - amend current transfer policy allowing for broader review of old transfer work (how much of a break, how old, etc.) for transfer admission gpa only but the work will still affect other aspects such as financial aid
- Faculty Senate Committee on admissions put forth the charge to proceed with research and presenting a proposal.
- **Readmits**- approval to amend readmit policy leaving for no more than 2 major semesters leaving for military or other public health emergency as defined by SCDHEC and/or CDC; cannot take work anywhere else; look only at progression requirements
- Have not attempted any college credits during their absence will be readmitted based on progression requirements
- If missed a major semester is still active do they have to go through admissions, if they missed a major semester, they should not be active and do need to apply

Law School Admissions Pipeline Program   Meghan Fields
- For undergraduates and those recently graduated or students that are really concerned about taking the LSAT
- UofSC (any campus) students are invited to apply to law school via the new USC Now 2 JD pipeline program
- This qualified applicates without LSAT score
- Must have earned a bachelor's degree from a campus of USC
- Must have a cumulative gpa of 3.6 or higher as reported by the Law School Admissions Council Credential Assembly service
- Candidates send admissions SAT or ACT scores as long as in 85th percentile
- March 1st deadline
- All applications must be at www/lsac.org; then submit an application to the school of law

- Candidates must notify admissions office of the name of the alternative test of the month and year of all valid tests. Can the scores be outdated? Will be looking at this case by case
- Admitted candidates must agree not to register for the LSAT; are eligible for merit scholarships
- Space is limited only 10% of the incoming class can be n this program
- ABA limits how many seats they can have for this program
- Contact the law school for more information – www.law.sc.edu
- Meghan Fields, fieldsmb@law.sc.edu, associate director of admissions operations

Advising Technology updates   **Brian Dusel**
- EAB calendar sync – on the right-side sync button will show when last sync was; you can retry syn and then if not working disconnect and then retry sync
- If you are seeing anything strange in DW, use the degrworks@mailbox.sc.edu
- Advising technology website – steps for access; access form for new or current
- For class overrides – remember to put all the subject codes needed
- New advisor needs to complete the training component do hand in hand with the form
- Don't forget to fill out the advisor removal of those that are leaving
- Advisor assignments will be having a training in December to refresh how to do it

UAN Announcements
- Reach Act – [Faculty Senate](#) notes Jenn Tilford
  - Take effect for new students in **Fall 2021** if passed by the General Assembly in early spring 2021
  - Overview – reinforcing college education on America's Constitutional Heritage Act; including Constitution, Declaration of Independence, Emancipation Proclamation, and the Federalist Papers
  - Requirement -Does not add to the total number of credit hours needed for graduation
  - Requirements 3 credit hours in the subject of American government
  - Read Constitution, Declaration of Independence, Emancipation Proclamation, and Federalist Papers
  - Exempt by having AP or dual credit courses in the subject of American government with a passing grade
  - All undergrad students must take a 3 credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade in the subject area of History, Political Science, or African American Studies that cover the founding documents. **This course may count in core, major, minor, or cognate**
  - Courses that cover or could be easily modified to cover the material:
    - POLI 201, 300, 304, 450, 451, 452, 503, 554
    - HIST 111, 112, 201, 469, 470
    - AFAM 353, 331, 200
  - The course must be under HIST, POLI or AFAM to be cleared for use. No other subjects will be considered for this requirement.
  - No specialization of courses like independent studies

- o   Course that are SCHC cannot be used because it is not for all students
- o   Resistance to adding more courses to this list and there will be a process to add courses to the list

- o   **Integrative courses in the Bulletin** – not designated on individual course listings; accessible and searchable on the **Carolina Core Courses** page of the bulletin.

- Hybrid website (website is under Faculty toolbox on the On Your Time website)
  - o   Hybrid Learning – to encourage students to think about hybrid learning; website to help all to understand what hybrid learning is
  - o   To help understand different instructional method
  - o   They have student resources which highlights tips to succeed.

- Reminder: Winter Session is Dec 28th-Jan 17th
  - o   Can click on the courses in the sight to get more information about the courses

- Reminder: register for the 2021 Virtual Advisors conference

- Advisors/Supervisors thanking Advisors: Complete an Appreciating Academic Advisors recognition card
  - o   Nov 16 students will receive an email to nominate an advisor

- Other announcements

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