ACADEMIC ADVISING FOR TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS

Office of Academic Advising

Academic Advisors in the Office of Academic Advising support undergraduate students, with a focus on first-year students and exploratory/undeclared students. When students declare a major in their second year and beyond, students receive guidance from either a faculty advisor or program advisor to draw from their expertise in the major field.

The Office of Academic Advising is located in the Community Commons, Suite 3100. Office hours are 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday–Friday. For more information, call 303-871-7001, email advising@du.edu or visit the website at https://academicaffairs.du.edu/academic-advising (https://academicaffairs.du.edu/academic-advising/)

Orientation and Transition Programs

To help students make the transition to college, DU offers several programs. These programs are designed to provide students with information, connect them to resources and services, and establish peer mentor connections. For more information, please visit the New Student & Family Programs website at https://studentaffairs.du.edu/new-student-family, or email at Discoveries@du.edu. The office can be reached by phone at 303-871-7599.

Discoveries (DU New Student Welcome Experience)

Discoveries is our DU new student welcome experience designed to assist all new students as they begin their journey at the University of Denver.

- “DU Bound” Summer Newsletter - is a monthly new student email newsletter with essential information to help guide students along their DU journey and the Discoveries experience. Students should regularly check their DU email to stay informed.
- Discoveries Online – is a series of required online courses offered through Canvas (DU's campus Learning Management System) that provides students with essential information and resources to aid in orienting them to our community.
- Peer to Peer Mentorship – is offered to all new students. New students are paired with a current DU student, a 4D Peer Mentor, who supports them during their first year at DU. New students will be introduced to their 4D Peer Mentor prior to on-campus arrival.
- Discoveries Orientation - is a 5-day experience designed to physically orient new students to the DU campus, provide introductions to campus resources and support services, and afford time and opportunities to connect with other new DU students.
- First Ascent – is an experiential opportunity at the breathtaking Kennedy Mountain Campus (KMC). This experience allows students time and space to self-reflect and enjoy nature while connecting with their peers.

Discoveries information is sent to all students who have paid the admission deposit. Discoveries facilitates holistic student development by setting the foundation for academic progress, career preparation, wellness, living, learning, and personal development. Discoveries Orientation includes educational and experiential opportunities that help students get to know the University of Denver, the surrounding Denver community as well as our campus community standards and expectations. During orientation, new students will have small group meetings with peers and 4D Peer Mentors, meet their FSEM faculty member, learn to navigate campus, hear about essential resources, and reflect on their academic success in addition to their overall health, safety, and well-being. During evening activities, students meet other students and sample the many co-curricular opportunities available at DU.