

Freshman Advising Program Gabelli School of Business

Fall 2014 – Spring 2015

INTRODUCTION

The Freshman Advising Program is intended to provide additional support to new Gabelli students as they academically transition to the curricular demands of a University setting. Freshmen will receive general advising from the Gabelli Deans. In addition, during the Freshman year, students will receive more individualized attention from their Advising Assistants, who are upperclass student volunteers. It is hoped that the Advising Program will provide freshmen with support in the following areas: general advising regarding the core curriculum; areas of study within the Gabelli School of Business; discussion about planning students' undergraduate academic careers and future aspirations; course registration; preparation for midterms, final exams, and other assignments; and awareness of University and Gabelli School academic policies and procedures. The Advising Program is available to assist students who are experiencing academic difficulty and personal issues that may be impacting their performance in the classroom.

YOUR ROLE & EXPECTATIONS

All Freshmen in the Gabelli School of Business are expected to participate in the Advising Program. Students are *graded* Pass or Fail both Fall and Spring semesters of their Freshman year based upon attendance and participation in the Advising Program. Students should come prepared to learn, ask questions, and actively participate.

STRUCTURE

ADVISING GROUPS

All Gabelli Freshmen are in an Advising Group, which is lead by a Junior or Senior who has volunteered to provide guidance and expertise. Students were assigned to groups generally based upon reported interest in future business studies. Even if your plans change, you will likely stay in the same group for the entire year.

ADVISING MEETINGS

All Gabelli Freshmen must attend ALL advising meetings their freshman year. Attendance is **mandatory**. As part of the required advising program, students will participate in Orientation and attend 4-6 Advising Meetings in both fall and spring Semesters. Some important information:

- Look at your schedule in My.Fordham.edu (not the week at a glance) to learn your advising dates/locations.
- All sessions are in Keating 1st Auditorium at 1-2:15pm either on Mondays or Thursdays (unless noted).
- To learn your GSB Advising Group Number:
 - On your DETAIL SCHEDULE, you will be registered for a class:
 - o FRESHMAN ADVISING/MENTORING ZZBU ADVI R##
 - o The two numbers after "R" are your Advising Group number
 - Same Advising Group number as your GSB small group on Monday of Orientation

Fall Advising Sessions:

- First Fall Advising Session
 - o Wednesday, 9/3, 3:45-5:30pm
 - o Fordham Prep Leonard Theater
- Second Fall Advising Session: Thursday, 9/4
- Third Fall Advising Session: Thursday, 9/25
- Fourth Fall Advising Session: Thursday, 10/23
- Fifth Fall Advising Session: Monday, 11/3
- Sixth Fall Advising Session: Thursday, 11/20

Spring Advising Sessions:

- First Spring Advising Session: Thursday, 1/22
- Second Spring Advising Session: Thursday, 2/12
- Third Spring Advising Session: Thursday, 3/5
- Fourth Spring Advising Session: Thursday, 3/26

MEETINGS WITH DEAN JASON

- Optional advising meetings to discuss any topic with Dean Jason can be scheduled on Gabelli Access
- Students experiencing academic difficulty at midterms/final exams may be required to meet with Dean Jason