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MAAN Newsletter

January 31, 2018

Welcome MAAN!

We hope you all had a great break! Welcome back to Mason! We hope this semester will be filled with productivity, happiness, and success. The MAAN Newsletter is a great resource for professional development and engagement opportunities. As always, the Mason Academic Advisor Network is here to keep you connected with advising related matters. We have great updates to share, so please take a look! Also, if you have news for the upcoming newsletter, feel free to contact Michelle Gnoleba (mgnoleba@gmu.edu) and/or Erika Marquina (emarquin@gmu.edu).

Happy Reading!

Michelle Gnoleba & Erika Marquina

MAAN Newsletter Co-Editors

Mason Advisor Certificate (MAC)

Congratulations to Our Recent Mason Advising Certificate (MAC) Recipients

- Stephanie Lister, Global Affairs
- Genevieve McKenna, Biology
- Maria Perez-Brodeur, College of Health and Human Services
- Emily Rancourt, Forensic Science
- Jennifer Sawyer, College of Health and Human Services
- Cameron Shaw, College of Humanities and Social Services
- Krista Shires, Office of the Provost
- Robert Yi, School of Art
- Meg Yoder, College of Education and Human Development



Upcoming MAC Sessions

To learn more and register for a MAC session, visit the program page: [Mason Advisor Certificate Program](#)

Advising 101: Academic Advising Foundations
Monday, February 26th, 2018

Advising 102: Academics and Undergraduate Policy
Tuesday, February 13th, 2018

Advising 103: Advising Tools and Resources
Wednesday, March 14th, 2018

Advising 104: Building Rapport with Students
Wednesday, March 28th, 2018

Advising 105: Working with Special Populations
Wednesday, April 11th, 2018

Advising 106: Transfer Admissions Policies and Procedures
Monday, April 30th, 2018

Learn Over Lunch (LOL)

Committee website: <http://advising.gmu.edu/mason-advisors/maan/learn-over-lunch-lol/>

Join other advisors during your lunch hour to learn about important advising information, resources, and referrals. The second Tuesday of every month, advisors will gather from 12:00-1:00pm in SUB I, Room 3A to Learn over Lunch (LOL).

Have an idea for an LOL topic or interested in joining the committee? Contact Jason King at jkingj@gmu.edu with your idea!

Committee Members: Jason King, Erin McSherry, Erika Marquina, and Assad Khan.

Spring 2018 (proposed – suggestions appreciated)

- Tuesday, February 6: SSC: A Supervisor's Perspective
- LOL Xtra: Tuesday, February 20: Office of the Registrar
- Tuesday, March 6: Case Studies with Khan
- Tuesday, March 20: TBD
- Tuesday, April 10: TBD
- Tuesday, April 24: TBD

Advisor Mentorship Program (AMP)

The Advisor Mentorship Program (AMP) program is having a great year with Cohort 3! At the start of the Fall 2017 semester, AMP Co-Chairs Stephanie Barnett and Michelle Gnoleba welcomed 7 Mentors and 8 Mentees representing 6 different Colleges/Units across campus.

The Fall 2017 semester included various Signature events, including the program Launch, mid-semester Brown Bag Session, and Holiday Potluck. The semester also featured various social events, including monthly lunches with the Co-Chairs, Who's Walking Wednesday, AMP Outdoors (a weekend hike), and a visit to Paradise Springs Winery in Clifton.

For the Spring 2018 semester we are looking forward to our upcoming "Re-Launch" to kick off the second half of the AMP experience, and additional Signature and social opportunities. After Cohort 3 comes to a close in May 2018, the AMP Co-Chairs will reach out to MAAN as we begin to plan for Cohort 4.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Stephanie and/or Michelle at the contacts below:

Stephanie Barnett	Michelle Gnoleba
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Registration Awareness Week (RAW)

Highlights from last semester!

- 162 total undergraduate respondents; reflective of the following colleges/schools:
 - CHSS = 44
 - COS = 24
 - VSE = 19
 - CHHS = 14
 - CEHD = 11
 - BUS = 11
 - UNDE = 8
 - SCHAR = 8
 - CVPA = 4
 - INTO = 1
- ALL respondents were asked Q1: “Do you have an appointment scheduled with an advisor to discuss spring registration?” **77.16% responded NO; 22.84% responded YES.**
- Of the respondents that answered YES to Q1 were then asked, Q2: “Will this be your first advising appointment since the fall semester started?” **65.71% responded YES.**
- Of the respondents that answered YES to Q1 were then asked, Q3: “Do you intend to meet with an advisor every semester?” **100% responded YES** (yay! Win for advising)

- Of the respondents that answered NO to Q1 were asked Q4: “Will you schedule an appointment/meet with an advisor as a result of this encounter?” **86.40% answered YES.**
- Of the respondents that answered NO to Q1 were asked Q5: “Do you know how to contact your academic advisor?” **80.80% responded YES.**

In brief: An overwhelming majority of the students polled did not have an advising appointments scheduled within the first 7 weeks of the semester. For those that did plan to have an appointment with their academic advisor at the time of polling, it was going to be their first appointment of the semester and they also intended to meet with their advisor every semester. And RAW efforts (e.g., tabling, kiosks, guerilla marketing) worked! Of the students that did not have a planned meeting with their academic advisor at the time of polling, an overwhelming majority indicated that they would schedule one as a result of the RAW encounter J. While campus-wide we’re getting better and better with access and information with academic advising, nearly a quarter of students that didn’t have plans to make an appointment with their academic advisor at time of polling do not know how to contact their academic advisor.

Questions or would like to join RAW contact: Sara Montiel smontiel@gmu.edu

Coffee Connect

Mark your calendars! Join us for the this semester Coffee Connect days!

February 9, 2018, 9-10AM: Argo Tea

March 2, 2018, 9-10AM: JC Faculty/Staff Lounge (near Panera)

April 6, 2018, 9-10AM: Dunkin Donuts

May 4, 2018, 9-10AM: Starbucks Northern Neck

Questions or suggestions for social events contact: Erika Marquina
emarquin@gmu.edu

NACADA News

Join us in the capital for DC's NACADA Drive-In Conference

"Monumental Success Through Advising"

When: Friday, February 16th, 2018

9:00-9:45 AM Check In

10 AM - 3:30 PM Conference

Where:

American University

[4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW](#)

[Washington, DC 20016](#)

Cost: \$40 per person

Registration and the Call for Program Proposals are now open and can be [found here](#).

NACADA Region 2 Conference is March 21-23, Dover, DE.

Registration is open now.

<http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Community/Regions/Region-2.aspx>

Related to the Region 2 Conference, later this month a message will go out to all Region 2 members that markets the Region 2 Mentor Program for which Jon May is the outgoing chair. He also participated in the past as a mentor. The only stipulation for consideration is all individuals accepted to the program must attend the 2018 Dover conference. Watch your email and the NACADA Region 2 website for application announcement.

The Annual Conference, which will be held October 2018 in Phoenix, is currently accepting proposals for presentations.

<http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Events/Annual-Conference.aspx>

Meet the New MAAN Co-Chair:

Heather Anderson



What is your education background?

My educational background is in the Fine Arts, with a BFA and an MFA in Photography. I also have a BA in Architecture. Like most advisors, I didn't come to advising through my training in academia, but instead through a series of fortuitous events once I began my career path at Mason. My training in architecture and photography has helped me develop my program design and project management skills, which have been indispensable my role as Director of Academic Affairs and Advising in the Honors College.

What are you most excited about being the new co-chair?

I am really excited to get to work with everyone who has worked so hard to create MAAN. I have been around since the beginning, so I have had the opportunity to see the organization grow and the positive effects it has had across Mason. I want to continue with that good work and to make sure the advising community is included in many of Mason's new initiatives as the university continues to grow and develop.

What is one of your favorite hobbies?

Most of my time beyond work is spent with my family, which includes my spouse, daughter, two dogs, and two cats, getting into various shenanigans. Outside of family

time, I enjoy making things: working on my photography and Photoshop skills, knitting, sewing, bookmaking, pottery, baking, and I recently started working with wood-burning tools. If I had a garage, I would love a woodworking setup but that is a goal for the future.
