# Framingham State University Office of Institutional Assessment 

# Academic Advising Survey Report 2017-18 <br> <br> (Appendix H) 

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Target Population: 3,698
Total Respondents: $\mathbf{3 5 5}$
Response Rate: 9.60\%

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## Survey Response Report

The following is a detailed analysis of the survey response data.

## Respondent's Class



| Answer | Response Percent | Response Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Freshman | $13.52 \%$ | 48 |
| Sophomore | $18.03 \%$ | 64 |
| Junior | $32.39 \%$ | 115 |
| Senior | $34.65 \%$ | 123 |
| Graduate | $1.41 \%$ | 5 |
| Total | $100 \%$ | 355 |

## Majors of Undergraduate Respondents

| Answer | Response Percent | Response Count |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Accounting | 3.66\% | 13 |
| American Sign Lang/English Interpreter | 0.28\% | 1 |
| Art History | 0.56\% | 2 |
| Biology | 8.45\% | 30 |
| Business and Information Technology | 2.54\% | 9 |
| Business Administration | 1.41\% | 5 |
| Chemistry | 1.41\% | 5 |
| Communication Arts | 6.48\% | 23 |
| Computer Science | 6.48\% | 23 |
| Criminology | 4.79\% | 17 |
| Earth Science | 0.28\% | 1 |
| Elementary Education | 3.66\% | 13 |
| Early Childhood Education | 3.10\% | 11 |
| Economics | 1.13\% | 4 |
| English | 4.79\% | 17 |
| Environmental Science and Policy | 1.97\% | 7 |
| Fashion Design and Retailing | 3.10\% | 11 |
| Finance | 1.97\% | 7 |
| Food and Nutrition | 5.63\% | 20 |
| Food Science | 1.69\% | 6 |
| Geography | 0.56\% | 2 |
| History | 3.38\% | 12 |
| Liberal Studies | 1.97\% | 7 |
| Management | 5.63\% | 20 |
| Marketing | 3.10\% | 11 |


| Mathematics | $2.82 \%$ | 10 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Nursing | $1.13 \%$ | 4 |
| Political Science | $0.56 \%$ | 2 |
| Psychology | $11.83 \%$ | 42 |
| Sociology | $2.25 \%$ | 8 |
| Spanish | $1.13 \%$ | 4 |
| Studio Art | $1.69 \%$ | 6 |
| Undeclared | $0.56 \%$ | 2 |
| Total | $100 \%$ | 355 |

Question 3: How many advising sessions, including telephone and e-mail contacts, have you had with your advisor during this academic year?


| Answer | Response Percent | Response Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| None | $3.38 \%$ | 12 |
| One | $19.72 \%$ | 70 |
| Two | $32.96 \%$ | 117 |
| Three to Five | $35.77 \%$ | 127 |
| Six to Ten | $5.07 \%$ | 18 |
| More than Ten | $3.10 \%$ | 11 |
| Total | $100 \%$ | 355 |

## Question 4: How much time did you spend in those sessions on average?



| Answer | Response Percent | Response Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Less than 15 minutes | $41.69 \%$ | 148 |
| 15 to 30 minutes | $49.58 \%$ | 176 |
| 31 minutes to 1 hour | $8.73 \%$ | 31 |
| More than 1 hour | $0.00 \%$ | 0 |
| Total | $100 \%$ | 355 |

## Question 5 (a): Have you been able to visit your advisor when you need to?



| Question | Almost <br> Always <br> $(1)$ | (2) | (3) | (4) | Rarely <br> (5) | Total | Weighted <br> Average |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I have been able to visit <br> my advisor when I needed <br> to. | $57.51 \%$ <br> 199 | $18.21 \%$ <br> 63 | $11.27 \%$ <br> 39 | $6.36 \%$ <br> 22 | $6.65 \%$ <br> 23 | $100.00 \%$ <br> 346 | 1.86 |

## Question 5 (b): Have you been able to spend as much time with your advisor as

 needed?

| Question | Almost <br> Always (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Rarely <br> $(5)$ | Total | Weighted <br> Average |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I was able to spend as <br> much time with my <br> advisor as needed. | $53.16 \%$ | $21.84 \%$ | $13.79 \%$ | $5.75 \%$ | $5.46 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 0 \%}$ |  |
| 185 | 76 | 48 | 20 | 19 | 348 | 1.89 |  |

Question 6: Please describe your experience with your present advisor.

| Question | Very Much <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Not at All (5) | (N/A) | Total | Weighted Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Information from my advisor helped me select courses. | $\begin{gathered} 39.15 \% \\ 139 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 22.82 \% \\ 81 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 16.62 \% \\ 59 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 10.42 \% \\ 37 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 8.45 \% \\ 30 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2.54 \% \\ 9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.00 \% \\ 355 \end{gathered}$ | 2.34 |
| My advisor's information about programs helped me clarify my college plans. | $\begin{gathered} 33.52 \% \\ 119 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 26.76 \% \\ 95 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 12.96 \% \\ 46 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 11.27\% } \\ 40 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 10.42 \% \\ 37 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5.07 \% \\ 18 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.00 \% \\ 355 \end{gathered}$ | 2.54 |
| My advisor's information about career opportunities helped me clarify my career goals. | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{2 6 . 7 6 \%} \\ 95 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 18.87 \% \\ 67 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 18.03\% } \\ 64 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 12.11 \% \\ 43 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 14.93 \% \\ 53 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9.30 \% \\ 33 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.00 \% \\ 355 \end{gathered}$ | 2.97 |
| Information from my advisor clarified or simplified college requirements or procedures (e.g., degree requirements, drop/add, registration, etc.) | $\begin{gathered} 41.13 \% \\ 146 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 21.69 \% \\ 77 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 15.21 \% \\ 54 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9.01 \% \\ 32 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 8.73 \% \\ 31 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4.23 \% \\ 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.00 \% \\ 355 \end{gathered}$ | 2.35 |
| I obtained helpful information from my advisor about resources and services on campus (e.g., student services, counseling, financial aid, etc.) | $\begin{gathered} 32.96 \% \\ 117 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20.85 \% \\ 74 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 15.77 \% \\ 56 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 10.42 \% \\ 37 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 12.96 \% \\ 46 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7.04 \% \\ 25 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.00 \% \\ 355 \end{gathered}$ | 2.71 |

## Question 7: Did your advisor place final responsibility on you for decision making?



| Question | Strongly <br> Agree (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Strongly <br> Disagree (5) | Total | Weighted <br> Average |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| As appropriate, my <br> advisor places final <br> responsibility for <br> making decisions on me | $55.69 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 0 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 5 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 5 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 1 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 0 \%}$ |  |

## Question 8: How would you rate your overall advising experience with your present advisor?



| Question | Extremely <br> Positive <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Extremely <br> Negative <br> (5) | Total | Weighted <br> Average |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| How would you rate <br> your overall advising <br> experience with your <br> present advisor? | $46.57 \%$ | $24.86 \%$ | $14.29 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 2 9 \%}$ |  |  |  |
| 36 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |$\quad$| $4.00 \%$ |
| :---: |
| 14 |

Question 9: Rank the three most important purposes for utilizing your advisor.

| Question | 1 | 2 | 3 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Discussing a course you are taking | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathbf{2 7 . 4 3 \%} \\ 31 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 30.09 \% \\ 34 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 42.48 \% \\ 48 \end{gathered}$ | 113 |
| Career Planning | $\begin{gathered} \hline 43.98 \% \\ 84 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 29.32 \% \\ 56 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 26.70 \% \\ 51 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 191 |
| Selecting courses for your schedule | $\begin{gathered} \hline 54.51 \% \\ 151 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 29.24 \% \\ 81 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathbf{1 6 . 2 5 \%} \\ 45 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 277 |
| Information about college requirements and/or procedures | $\begin{gathered} \hline 25.95 \% \\ 48 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 45.95 \% \\ 85 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathbf{2 8 . 1 1 \%} \\ 52 \end{gathered}$ | 185 |
| Choosing a major | $\begin{gathered} 25.93 \% \\ 7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 40.74 \% \\ 11 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 33.33 \% \\ 9 \end{gathered}$ | 27 |
| Getting a signature | $\begin{gathered} \hline 9.62 \% \\ 5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 38.46 \% \\ 20 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 51.92 \% \\ 27 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 52 |
| Personal concerns | $\begin{gathered} 20.45 \% \\ 9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 25.00 \% \\ 11 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 54.55 \% \\ 24 \end{gathered}$ | 44 |
| Information about college services or resources | $\begin{gathered} 9.38 \% \\ 3 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 28.13 \% \\ 9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 62.50 \% \\ 20 \end{gathered}$ | 32 |
| Discussing your grades or academic performance | $\begin{gathered} 9.21 \% \\ 7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 35.53 \% \\ 27 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 55.26 \% \\ 42 \end{gathered}$ | 76 |
| Information about your skills, abilities, potential, etc. | $\begin{gathered} \hline 8.77 \% \\ 5 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 35.09 \% \\ 20 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 56.14 \% \\ 32 \end{gathered}$ | 57 |
| Other | $\begin{gathered} 45.45 \% \\ 5 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 9.09 \% \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 45.45 \% \\ 5 \end{gathered}$ | 11 |


| Other |
| :--- |
| PIN number |
| I had difficulty getting transfer classes to carry over. (Redacted). |
| Getting pin number |
| Discussing activities or extracurricular that will help better your resume or application for graduate <br> school |
| Checking what courses will be available for DCGE offerings for current semester, and future semester. As <br> all courses are not offered all the semesters for DCGE. |
| Preparing to Graduate. |
| Providing an outside perspective beyond the student-teacher relationships |
| Making sure I am taking courses that will allow me to graduate in a timely manner according to my <br> plans. |
| My advisor (Redacted) almost never answered my emails and I didn't know that (Redacted) are offered <br> once a year and now I have wait till (Redacted) to graduate. I changed my advisor (Redacted) is very <br> helpful. |
| Major concern is always receiving different answers to questions from the registrar's office. Depending <br> on which registrar was available to respond answers were never clear nor consistent |
| Discussions about graduate school |

