

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

OU to host 10th anniversary MIACADA Conference May 8

In celebration of the organization's 10th year, the Michigan Academic Advising Association (MIACADA) is hosting its annual conference at Oakland University on Friday, May 8. More than 200 academic advisors from 38 institutions across Michigan are expected to participate.

"MIACADA is a terrific resource for professional advisers," says MIACADA president-elect, conference co-chair and OU adviser Roberta Rea. "Conference attendees share research information and best practices in advising. It is a great way to learn what is happening at other schools, share what is happening at our school and find ways to support each other."

This year's theme is "Made in Michigan: Bright Futures." The keynote speaker is MIACADA's founding president, Debra "Deb" Dotterer, the assistant dean and director of undergraduate affairs for the College of Natural Science at Michigan State University. There will also be a panel session with past MIACADA presidents to reflect on the organization's first 10 years and discuss the impact of advising in higher education.

"Advising is critical to students' persistence, sense of belonging and success," according to MIACADA Board secretary, conference co-chair and OU adviser Krista Malley. "Telling success stories in this forum and attending educational sessions is also a great way to connect with others in the field."

MIACADA educational sessions include:

Concurrent Sessions I – 10:15 -11:05 AM

- C1. Celebrating 10 Wonderful Years of MIACADA: A Presidential Look at Our Past, Present and Future
- C2. Cloud Advising: Utilizing Web-based Technologies to Enhance Advising
- C3. Overcoming Transfer Student Barriers - Collaboratively
- C4. Preparing Future Leaders: Developing and Implementing an Inter-Professional Healthcare Education Camp
- C5. Second Year Experience: Remembering the Forgotten Middle Child
- C6. #ThinkingCaps: Making Time for Dialogue, Debate and Critical Consciousness

Concurrent Sessions II – 11:15 AM–12:05 PM

- C7. Increasing the Success of Under-represented Students on Campus through a Student Affairs Collaboration
- C8. Helping Our Online Students
- C9. Critical Issues in Higher Education
- C10. Bright GAs: Bright Futures!
- C11. More Than the Game
- C12. QPR Gatekeeper: Learn Life-Saving Steps to Prevent Suicide

Concurrent Sessions III – 1:30–2:20 PM

- C13. Proactive Advising - Creating a Connection
- C14. MIACADA May Board of Directors Meeting
- C15. Vision Boards for Professional Growth - Create, Connect and Empower
- C16. "Hey Adviser, I Want to Go to Grad School." - What to Say Next
- C17. Mentoring: An Outlook from Three Generations
- C18. Who Should I Thank: My Adviser or My New Major?



From front: OU academic advisers Anna Mrdeza, Kai-Lynn Rim, Meaghan Cole, Roberta Rea and Krista Malley have been helping plan this year's MIACADA Conference, which will bring hundreds of advising professionals to OU's campus on May 8.

C19. PART 1: What's Wrong With YOU?" Using Behavioral Style Techniques to Move from Judgment to Understanding

Concurrent Sessions IV – 2:30–3:20 PM

C20. PART 2: What's Wrong With YOU?" Using Behavioral Style Techniques to Move from Judgment to Understanding

C21. Tell Me Your Story! Narrative as Practice in Advisor/Learner Interactions

C22. Interest + Authenticity/Competency = Effective Advising (The Formula to Advising)

C23. Partnering with a Purpose

C24. Get HIP with WSU Biological Sciences: Utilizing High Impact Practices to Engage and Retain Students

C25. Voices of Success: A Round Table Discussion for Supporting Diverse Student Populations

C26. When there is Nothing Left to Give: How the Practice of Self-care Can Enhance Our Work as Academic Advisors

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About Oakland University Academic Advising:

Academic advisers at Oakland University help students along their journey to help students make the most of their college experiences. In addition to First and Second Year Advising, each school and the college at Oakland University houses its own professional academic advising office. Academic advising is an ongoing partnership between students and advisers where advisers empower students to plan for their academic success.

About MIACADA:

The Michigan Academic Advising Association (MIACADA) is an organization of professionals from colleges and universities concerned with the intellectual, personal, and career or vocational advising needs of students within the State of Michigan. MIACADA was founded to foster the personal and professional development of its members by promoting quality academic advising in the state. It is a forum for discussion, debate, and the exchange of ideas regarding academic advising and related areas of higher education.