

Karla's mentoring top ten

1. Always keep an eye on total credit towards graduation.
2. If mentee is unsure of their direction, advise towards flexibility.
3. Schedules are best that contain some spinach and some dessert.
4. Encourage exploration of topics/disciplines that they haven't just taken in high school/transfer institution.
5. Watch out for prerequisited sequences in majors/minors.
6. Check grades at the end of the semester and schedules after registration.
7. Take 20 minutes and peruse the schedule when it comes out.
8. Check graduation audits with your jr/sr mentees to make sure classes are slotting in correctly.
9. Writing out a four plan isn't necessarily about deciding what exact classes your mentee is going to take 3 semesters from now, but it does help to plot out prerequisites and to help mentees see how much flexibility they have.
10. Talk with mentees about how to use summers productively.