

Advising

Faculty Mentor Program

The Faculty Mentor Program supports the university's mission to inspire professional success and lifelong personal and intellectual growth by connecting students in most undergraduate, degree-granting programs with dedicated faculty mentors who serve as students' primary advisors through graduation, and help students build relationships and networking skills that will extend well beyond graduation. Faculty mentors provide integrated guidance and resources to support students' academic journey including career readiness. Additional support is provided by professional advisors, including a Student Academic Services academic advisor, Student Financial Services planner, and Experiential Education & Career Services (EE&CS) advisor. Students in certain programs may also be assigned to other types of advisors, such as international student advisors or faculty advisors/pre-professional advisors, rather than a faculty mentor. These individuals work collaboratively to create a network of care designed to empower each JWU student to reach their full potential.

Faculty mentors work with students to:

- Define goals and responsibilities, informed by values, interests and strengths.
- Assess progress on an ongoing basis.
- Connect with their personalized Success Network, a group of professional advisors and support staff across campus, as well as with peers, to engage fully in campus life, and to navigate transitions — both from high school to JWU, and from JWU to career and/or graduate education.
- Identify and utilize campus supports to promote growth and overall well-being.

Advising Support

Students at the university have a personal Success Network of faculty mentors/advisors, academic advisors and others which they can view on uSucceed (accessed through jwuLink). Members of the Success Network work with students throughout their academic career to provide support and the resources needed to be successful at JWU. Academic advisors, faculty course instructors, faculty mentors/advisors, financial planners and various support staff make up a student's Success Network.

The goal of using the uSucceed Success Network is to make it easy for students to communicate and connect with the support they need. Students can use the scheduling tool to make appointments with specific members of their Success Network. They are also able to track their academic progress. Faculty are able to raise flags to let students know they may need additional support, and inform students how and where to find the assistance they need. Faculty can also issue kudos to congratulate students on their successes.

For personal and clinical counseling services, students may seek the support of Counseling Services.