Get to Know Your Advisor

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I started working in higher education in 2011, in a position that did not have me working directly with students except during the summer months where I was involved with creating and coordinating summer programs for incoming freshmen. Summer soon became my favorite time of year, because that is when I was able to work with students, helping them to prepare and navigate through their first semester in college. It was there that I realized I wanted to work directly with students full time, and decided to become an Academic Advisor.

I personally did not have the most positive college advising experience, and that

has influenced me to advise students in a way that I would have liked to be advised as a college student. My goal when working with students is to be sure that they feel heard, that they leave my office feeling reassured and supported, and that they have a good sense of direction and know which next steps to take. I think it's a great privilege to have students share their goals and aspirations with me, and I want to do what I can to support them and help them achieve what they set out for.

