## **CLAS Academic Advising Center**

Academic advising for students pursuing majors and/or minors offered by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Call Us: (616) 331-8585 • Visit us On-line: www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising

## **Preparing for an Advising Appointment**

As academic advisors, we value the time we get to spend assisting and equipping you to be successful with your educational pursuits. To most affectively utilize the time we spend together, please consider the following suggestions when preparing for an advising appointment.

- Please anticipate your advising needs and make appointments early.
  Advisors schedules fill up quickly, especially during peak times such as registration.
- Expect advisors to give you referrals. While we are experts in advising, we are not experts in all matters related to GVSU. We've worked hard to build networks across campus to appropriate refer you for additional support services.
- Feel free to discuss academic and non-academic issues relevant to your education with your advisor. Be willing to identify and discuss your difficulties and come up with ideas for addressing them. The more we know about you, the better able we are to determine appropriate academic goals.
- Be prepared and come with <u>written questions</u>.
- Research Degree & Course Requirements
- Review General Education Requirements
- View the Schedule of Classes
- If you wish to discuss scheduling, create a tentative schedule for yourself and bring it to the advising appointment