

January 2025

## From CECI Advising

### Message from Melanie

**It's January; a new year, a new semester, and a new start on your next academic chapter!**

I've never been big on resolutions around New Years, but something felt different in 2025. I really feel like I could do a lot of good by focusing on bettering something about myself or my life. So, here's to trying new things and focusing on self-improvement!

If you made a similar choice or are considering a more intentional step toward self-improvement, consider leaning on us -- your Academic Advising office is here to help you while you pursue your CECI degree.

## Deadlines and Important Dates

***Make note of these or add them to your calendar --***

- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Recess** January 20
- **75% Tuition Refund Deadline** January 31 by 5:00 pm
- **Credit/No Credit Deadline** January 31 by 5:00 pm
- **Mid-term Evaluations** February 17-21



## CECI Connect Podcast



**Melanie Rabine-Johnson** (she/her),

Academic Resources and  
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## Events and Announcements

### Student Senate General Assembly

Thursday, January 16, 2025

5:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

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### Alumni Webinar: Neurodiversity in the Workplace

Thursday, January 16, 2025

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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### Resume and Cover Letter Workshop

Tuesday, January 21, 2025

3 PM-4PM AND 4 PM-5PM

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### Employer Showcase: Michigan State Police

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

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### Employer Showcase: Orthopaedic Associates of Michigan

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

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### Michigan Social Work Bridges to Employment Conference

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

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More February CECI Events Here

## We're Here to Help!

*There are many resources to explore --*

### Social Work, MSW



## Featured Advisor!

Meet Tom

Fellows: Senior

Academic

Advisor, Criminal

Justice



Originally from the Lansing, MI area, Tom attended GVSU and graduated with a bachelor's degree in physical education-coaching and a master's degree in adult and higher education. His experiences at GVSU as a student included working as an adjunct instructor for the Movement Science Department and as a tutor

Your academic advisor is here to help you with so much, but if you need more guidance in academic readiness/success, community building, budgeting/funding opportunities, or health and wellness plans, click the buttons below to see what GVSU offers!

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in the Laker Academic Center, where he also served as an intern for the Life Skills Program. He also spent time volunteering through the Athletes Who Care program and participating with the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.



## Contact us!

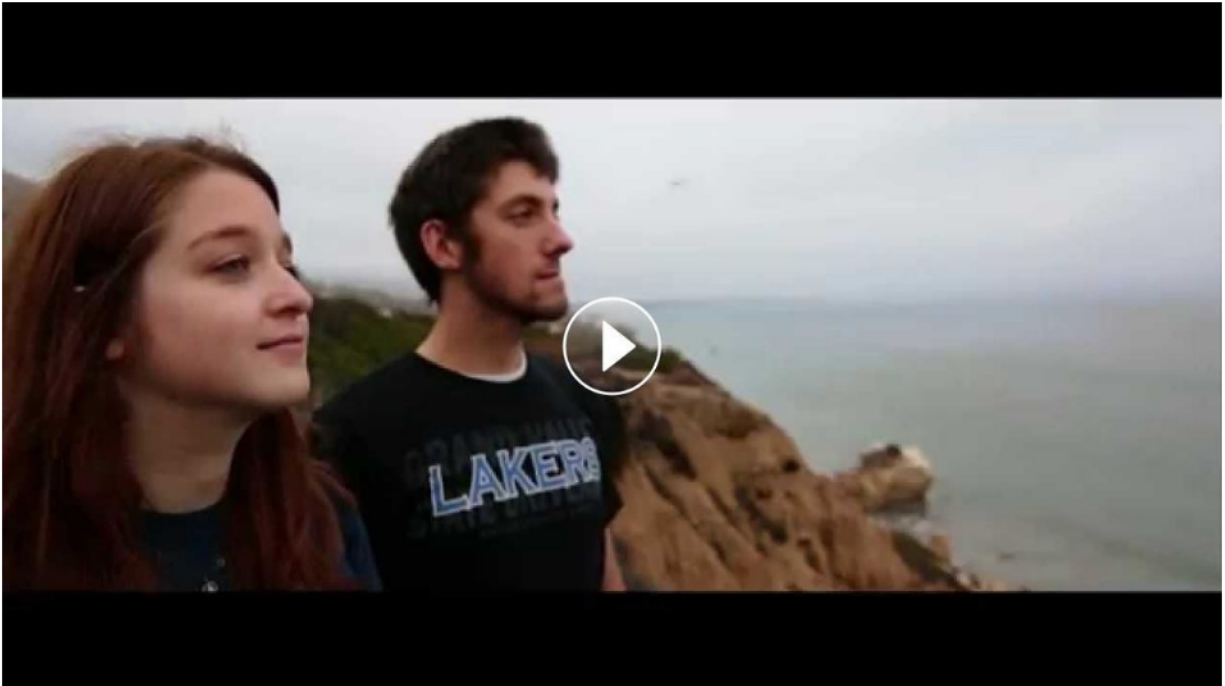
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*toward developing useful skills, gaining power over your journey, and creating  
effective strategies to achieve these goals.*



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