

# Academic Advising

Academic advising at McPherson College is an intentional relationship between advisor and student as they plan and reach the student's educational, career, and personal goals.

Focal points of the advisement program at McPherson College include:

- advising the student about his or her academic concerns, co-curricular activities and postgraduate plans
- assisting each student to assess educational/academic objectives
- serving as an interpreter of regulations and academic requirements
- acting as a referral service for any personal or academic problems which may arise

With few exceptions, first-time freshmen are initially assigned a freshman advisor from the Center for Academic Development. By the end of their first semester, however, freshmen are encouraged to select a faculty advisor from their academic major or from a discipline of interest to assist them with enrolling for the next academic year and with developing a graduation plan.

Students may ask to change advisors at any time. Change of Advisor request forms are available on Bulldog Connect ([my.mcpherson.edu](http://my.mcpherson.edu)) and from the registrar's office.