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The Center for Academic Success and Advisement, housed in FH 220, offers a variety of services designed to help students thrive during their experience at Francis Marion University.

A staff of academic advisors is available to facilitate student questions about registration for courses, majors and minors, study habits, time management, career guidance, and more. Our team is dedicated to supporting students and connecting them to resources that will help them be successful during their academic careers at FMU.

Career Development, located in FH 220, helps students to select majors and minors, set professional goals, consider career paths, develop resumes, and explore testing necessary for graduate programs. In addition, Career Development also hosts semi-annual job fairs and connects students to employers looking to hire FMU students and alumni.

The Tutoring Center, also located in FH 220, offers students one-to-one assistance with a variety of subjects, including math, sciences, social sciences, and liberal arts courses.

In addition, **the Writing Center**, located in FH 114C, provides students with one-to-one tutorials on writing projects for any class at FMU. The Writing Center also assists students with resumes, applications, creative writing, and other writing projects.

CASA also works in conjunction with our University Life 100 courses, providing first-year students with valuable information to help them become acquainted with the university, build connections on campus, learn about strategies for being successful students, and make the most of their time at FMU.

All of these resources provide students with a network of knowledgeable and friendly professionals who can help with any questions they may have while at the university.

For questions, please contact Dr. Jennifer Kunka, Associate Provost for Advising, at jkunka@fmarion.edu or 843-661-1400.

Applications for the Patriot Mentor Program: Due March 3, 2017

Becoming a Patriot Mentor is both an honor and a paid opportunity. Patriot Mentors pair up with faculty members who are teaching First-Year Seminar courses (UL 100) in Fall 2017. In this role, each Patriot Mentor would join their assigned weekly UL 100 class meeting, collaborate with the course professor, share their experiences and advice with first-semester students, and provide students with mentorship both inside and outside of class.

Students interested in serving as Patriot Mentors are expected to commit to the program for the entire fall semester, maintain weekly contact with mentees, and attend all training and team-building programming. Students with a particularly compelling success story and students who would benefit from a leadership position are excellent candidates.

Patriot Mentors are paired with FYS faculty based on several criteria, including faculty recommendation and each mentor's area(s) of study. They should have good interpersonal and communication skills, be involved in campus and/or community activities, and have a good knowledge of campus and community resources. Ideal nominees should be committed to diversity, multiculturalism, and student success. Eligible FMU students must earn at least 24 earned credit hours by Fall 2017 and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. FMU students should be in good academic and university standing.

Application Link: If you are interested, please fill out our online application: <https://goo.gl/forms/AdVDehEfiJbFLD4v2>.

Deadline: Applications will be accepted through **Friday, March 3, 2017**.

Contact: If you have questions, please contact Prof. Allison Steadman at ASteadman@fmarion.edu or Dr. Jennifer Kunka at JKunka@fmarion.edu.

Future Students:
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