

# ADVISOR NEWS

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## Calendar Events

### Advising Coordinating Committee Meetings

Thurs. Jan. 18 10:30 a.m. MLIB 204  
Thurs. Feb. 8 10:30 a.m. MLIB 204  
Thurs. Mar. 8 10:30 a.m. MLIB 204  
Thurs. Apr. 5 10:30 a.m. MLIB 204

All advisors are welcome to attend and participate. Meetings will be broadcast through Distance Education to various Education Centers and Extension Sites.

### Career Fair

Wednesday, March 7, 2001

### Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration (SOAR)

For students entering USU Summer 2001  
Tuesday, March 27, 2001

### National Academic Advising Association (NACADA)

### Regional Conference

April 26-27, 2001 in Durango, Colorado

### Utah Advising and Orientation Association (UAOA)

### Annual Conference

May 23-34, 2001 in Park City, Utah

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## Advising-Related Personnel Changes

**Wade Oliver** is the new Assistant Director in the Office of Advising and Transition Services. Wade oversees the Peer Advising program, course articulations, and the ATS website. **Aaron Andersen** is the new Program Administrator in the Office of Advising and Transition Services. Aaron oversees the Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration (SOAR) program and programming related to the USU Parents Association.

**Gayle Houser** is the new Associate Director in the Academic Resource Center. Gayle works with students in the General Registration program. **Isobel Roskelley** is a new academic advisor in the College of Business Student Service Center; **Susan Rice** is a new distance education advisor for the College of Business; **Peg Hennon** is an advisor/librarian in the Career Exploration segment of the Career Services Office; **Christine Christensen** is an advisor in the Office of Multicultural Student Services; and **Toni Thayer** replaces **Donna Jones** as an Administrative Assistant in Blanding.

## New Graduate Dean

**Dr. Thomas L. Kent** will become the new dean of the School of Graduate Studies on January 1, 2001. Dr. Kent comes to USU after serving as the department head of the Department of English at Iowa State University. His background includes a BA degree from the University of Michigan and a doctorate from Purdue University. He has taught at Purdue, Miami University (Ohio), the University of Tampere (Tampere, Finland) as a Fulbright lecturer, and Iowa State. Dr. Kent will be the eighth dean of the School of Graduate Studies.

## Professional Advisor of the Year

Nominations are being accepted for the Professional Advisor of the Year Award for the 2001 USU Robins Awards. Nominations may be made by students, faculty, and University staff. To obtain a nomination form, please contact John Mortensen (797-9303 or [mort@cc.usu.edu](mailto:mort@cc.usu.edu)) or go to the ATS website at: [www.usu.edu/ats/](http://www.usu.edu/ats/). Nomination forms must be submitted by February 2, 2001. All nominees will be contacted and informed that their remaining nomination materials must be submitted by March 2, 2001. The website provides more details about eligibility requirements for this award.

## New Transfer Articulation Agreements

Four institutions have been added to articulation agreements found on pages 60-61 of the *General Catalog* and pages 37-38 of the *Advisor Handbook*. The institutions are Tarrant County College in Texas, Chapman University in California, and Spokane Community College and Spokane Falls Community College in Washington.

## Updated Course Articulation Agreements

Course-by-course articulation agreements have been updated and are now available on the Advising and Transition Services website ([www.usu.edu/ats/](http://www.usu.edu/ats/)). The tables include course articulation agreements for the two-year and four-year institutions within the state of Utah, and Ricks College in Idaho.

## Statewide Transfer of General Education Coursework

Detailed information is now available to assist advisors in determining how General Education coursework taken at other institutions within the state will fit into individual components of USU's University Studies program. Advisors may access this information on the Advising and Transition Services website ([www.usu.edu/ats](http://www.usu.edu/ats)). This information on this website has been reviewed by the General Education Subcommittee and provides a way for advisors to be consistent in evaluating transfer work.

## New University Studies Courses Approved

Since the publication of the *2000-2002 General Catalog*, the following courses have been approved as satisfying University Studies requirements.

**Communications Intensive:** RR 4100 (CI) Wildland Recreation Behavior (3); and ScEd 3210 (CI) Educational and Multicultural Foundations (3).

**Quantitative Intensive:** Biol 3200 (QI) Principles of Genetics (4) (class was formerly Biol 2200); Econ 5330 (QI) Applied Econometrics (3); and Soil 5550 (QI) Soils and Plant Nutrient Bioavailability (3).

**Depth Social Sciences:** ScEd 3210 (DSS) Educational and Multicultural Foundations (3).

## General Education Reminder

All students who transfer to USU Fall 2000 or later and who have **not** received an AA or AS degree must satisfy the new University Studies requirements. (They may not graduate under the former quarter requirements.) Students who transfer to USU Fall 2000 or later with an AA or AS degree from an articulated institution (see pages 60-61 of the *2000-2002 General Catalog*) will be considered as having satisfied only the General Education portion of the University Studies requirements. These students will still be required to satisfy the Depth Education requirements, in order to receive a bachelor's degree from USU. Students who transferred to USU with an AA or AS degree **prior to Fall 2000** are considered to have completed all University Studies requirements (both General Education and Depth Education).

## Secondary Teacher Education Technology Standards

As of Fall Semester 2000, the College of Education will be incorporating a revised set of technology standards. These standards will require that preservice teachers demonstrate a working knowledge of current technology prior to admission to Teacher Education. Beginning with Fall Semester 2000, all applicants for Secondary Teacher Education must submit documentation of having passed the CIL exam. This documentation usually appears as a notation "CIL Requirement Met" on the student's transcript. An applicant may also present a memo from the CIL Office indicating that all tests have been passed. This requirement will apply to all applicants for Secondary Teacher Education, including all transfer students and students with degrees. Please encourage your students to complete the CIL exam as soon as possible.

## New Terminology

The Department of Elementary Education has changed some terminology. The requirement called "Professional Breadth" has been changed to "Support Courses." The requirement called "Professional Depth/Emphasis" has been changed to "Emphasis." These changes were made to avoid any confusion with USU's Breadth and Depth requirements.

## Career Fair

Please remind your students to attend the Career Fair on Wednesday, March 7, 2001 in the Taggart Student Center. More than 180 organizations attend this event annually. For more information, contact Career Services at (435) 797-7777, or have your students visit the Center (University Inn 102).

## Women's Center/Reentry Student Center Reminders

**Parent Locator Service.** Parent Locator provides an emergency contact service to enable student parents to be contacted on campus by children/day-care providers. Students should bring class schedules to TSC 310 to register.

**Reentry Peer Facilitators.** The Reentry Student Center provides peer facilitators who offer assistance and share the survival skills they have acquired through their reentry process with other returning students. Call the Reentry Student Center, 797-1728, for an appointment, or stop by TSC 310.

**Financial Aid Applications.** Beginning February 5, 2001, 2001/2002 Reentry Financial Aid Applications will be available. Undergraduate reentry women and men with a five-year gap in their education and a minimum 2.5 GPA are eligible. Contact the Reentry Student Center, TSC 310, or call 797-1728. Some special awards for specific majors/minors are also available.

## UAOA Call for Proposals

The Utah Advising and Orientation Association (UAOA) invites you to submit a proposal to make a presentation at the Annual Utah Conference. Presentations should reflect the conference theme, "Digging for Golden Opportunities Through Academic Advising and Orientation." Presenters may choose from three possible formats (50-minute presentations): roundtable discussion, workshop, or panel. The ATS home page has a direct link to the UAOA website (which is currently under construction). Questions about program proposals may be directed to Debra Bryant ([bryant@dixie.edu](mailto:bryant@dixie.edu)).

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