



# Advising Advice:

Sketching a Plan to Academic and  
Post-Graduate Success

# Academic Advising: Its Purposes

## Questions

*“Why do I have to see  
an advisor?”*

*“Why do I have to see  
you?”*

## Better Questions

*“Why should I **consult**  
with an advisor?”*

*“Why should I **trust**  
you?”*



# Why should I consult my Advisor?

- ◆ Information
- ◆ Schedule/Cohort Scheduling
- ◆ Advice and Information pertinent to:
  - ◆ new initiatives
  - ◆ scholarship and internship information
  - ◆ new course opportunities
  - ◆ expanding your academic portfolio
  - ◆ University's services

# How Should I prepare for my Advising consultation?

- Review your UM Degree transcript.
  - Write down any questions that you may have.
  - Preview the courses that the you need to take to complete General Education, College, and Departmental Requirements.
- Review the schedule and identify the courses that you need and want to take.
  - Set realistic academic goals as you compose your schedule.
  - Review your work, personal, etc. schedules and your financial information to ensure that you should undertake a full-time or part-time load
- Schedule an appointment with your advisor, attend your appointment, and come prepared to discuss your schedule plans.



Why SHOULD I consult my advisor?  
The ultimate goal—GRADUATION!!