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TO: UW-Seattle Undergraduate Advisers

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Enclosed is the 2007 edition of the Adviser's Guide. This is a manual for UW-Seattle undergraduate academic advisers, covering advising at the UW, admissions, registration, grades and credits, majors and minors, graduation, and support services.

There are a few notable changes this year. First, the format was overhauled, beautified, and professionalized by our wonderful web producer, Jennifer Stock.

You might also notice the super-special stickers on pages 6 and 46, my own contribution to the new format. **[Since you downloaded this Adviser's Guide from the website, you don't have the stickers mentioned here.]** The page 6 sticker adds information about the Undergraduate Academic Advising Council (UAAC) that I somehow neglected to add before printing. Apologies for the oversight and for the resulting tiny font! **[The text that was added: "Undergraduate Academic Advising Council ([www.washington.edu/uaa/uacouncil](http://www.washington.edu/uaa/uacouncil)): The UAAC is composed of advisers from a broad spectrum of units. Tasks include: proposing and vetting advising initiatives, developing lines of communication, advancing the understanding of advising, identifying professional development opportunities, advising assessment, and ensuring adviser involvement in university projects that affect their work."]**

The page 46 sticker is covering a bit of text that required editing post-printing. As you may know, historically students who had been dropped for low scholarship were allowed to take classes through UW Continuing Education as a nonmatriculated student. This will no longer be allowed, so that text was removed from this year's Adviser's Guide and from the online Adviser Information File. If you have questions about this, please contact Virjean Edwards, Assoc. Registrar. **[The text that was removed: "UW courses taken by UW students on drop status also do not count as residence credit. (Students on drop status can take UW courses, registering through UW Extension, but the courses are recorded as extension credit and are not included in the student's UW GPA.)"]**

The Cross-Campus Enrollment policy (p. 28), which was a moving target at press time for last year's Adviser's Guide, is now fully updated and accurate.

Admissions made several updates in chapter 2, including a number of changes in the "outreach and recruitment" section on page 15.

There were a few changes to the "credits, GPA, and full-time status" table on page 38. Most notably, students who take 100- and 200-level ROTC courses will now, beginning Autumn 2007, receive credit for those courses. There are also a few new entries for repeated courses.

The Graduation chapter includes new information, based on the current practices of the College of Arts and Sciences graduation committee, on various kinds of graduation petitions and their likelihood for success; the changes are largely on page 69.

And, of course, many tidbits throughout.

If you have any feedback or suggestions for future editions, please feel free to let me know (dsayrs@u.washington.edu)!