Preceptorial Basics

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- Navigating the Banner advising system and interpreting DARS are essential
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- Assisting with setting career goals and graduate school planning
- Assisting with selecting a major
- Assisting with academic success strategies
- Assisting with finding resources
- Advising the Core Curriculum

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- Average GPA for Fall 2010 PAs was 3.63
Opportunities and Support

- Faculty-student interaction fund: $200 per Preceptorial
- **MAP-works**: third-week transition survey
- LLC preceptorials: Social Justice and Sustainability for Fall 2011
- Resources for Preceptors channel in the Teach/Advise tab
- One course reassigned time award for every two preceptorials taught OR a $5000 summer stipend
Forthcoming CEE workshops

- Spring Preceptor workshops (either April 28: 12:15-2:15 pm in IPJ H&I or April 29: 3:00-5:00 pm in IPJ H&I)

- Preceptor/PA luncheon (May 10, 12:15-1:30 pm in IPJ A/B/C)

- Getting Started with your Preceptorial workshop (August 26: 12:00-2:00 pm in IPJ)