Peak Period Advising Policies

The following are peak advising periods each semester:

- **Beginning of New Semester**: This begins the week prior to the first day of classes and extends through the week after the first day of classes.
- **Registration Advising Period**: This begins 4 weeks before the first day of the undergraduate registration period and continues through the last day of the semester. Visit the [academic calendar](#) for specific dates. During this period, the advisor’s calendars get incredibly full, so we have established the following policies:
  - You must schedule an appointment with your assigned advisor in order to get your advising hold removed. An advising hold will be on your account each semester, prohibiting you from enrolling for the next semester until you have met with your advisor. This ensures that students check-in with their advisor at least once each semester and remain on-track with their coursework.
  - Schedule your appointment 1-2 weeks in advance. We cannot guarantee an appointment if you try to schedule the same week you wish to meet with your advisor.
  - You must meet with your assigned advisor for your degree program. If you wait until the last minute to schedule an appointment, and your advisor’s calendar is full, you must wait to see your assigned advisor, even if this will mean that you register late.

Emailing your Advisor

During peak advising periods, advisors’ email inboxes become flooded. We ask that you please be patient, as it will take your advisor longer than normal to respond to your email during this period. If you have an urgent concern, please contact the front desk at 816-235-2399 or [sce@umkc.edu](mailto:sce@umkc.edu).