Plebe Advising Info Session
Class of 2019
Welcome!

• Introductions
  – ADAA: Dean Waters / DAA: Prof Schmitt
  – New! DDAA: Dr. Mark Taylor

• Thank you for serving in this important role
  – Faculty-led advising system throughout all 4 years of our academic program
  – You are our Academic Leaders & Ambassadors to our midshipmen
  – Importance of Academics/Academic Decisions
Overview of this Session

• Welcome
  – Overview of Info Session
  – Expectations / Responsibilities

• Class of 2019 Schedule
  – Summer, including ACRs & AA/SS Sessions
  – Fall Semester
  – Spring Semester

• FAQs & Resources

• Discussion / Questions
Advisers should be …

• **Knowledgeable about academic program**
  – Plebe Year
  – MIDS / Preregistration & Registration
  – Majors / Selection of a Major
  – Special Programs and Resources
  – Academic Rules and Regs

• **Proactive with and Available to midshipmen**
  – Meetings / Reminders
  – Academic Orientation and Support
    • What is an Instructor / Professor? (Mutual respect…)
    • Obligation to respond to requests, deadlines, etc.
Expectations & Responsibilities

• Mentor & encourage midshipmen to take responsibility for their education, academic performance and future (*incl. lifelong learning*)
  – Use EI
  – Discuss Study Habits, Study Skills
  – Additional resources (AcCenter, others)

• Communication is key
  – …with midshipmen
  – …with COs, SELs, I/C Academic Officers
  – …with SAAs, DDAA, … esp for special issues
Class of 2019 Schedule

• Summer
  – See Calendar
  – Meet with Advisees twice (ACRs, AA/SS)

• Fall
  – See Calendar
  – Meet with Advisees within first two weeks of start of semester
  – Meet 1-2 more times

• Spring
  – See Calendar
  – Meet with Advisees twice prior to major selection
    … additional meetings as needed
  – Midshipmen choose major week prior to spring break
  – Hand-off to major adviser
...more about the Summer Schedule

- ADEA Brief to Class of 2019
- **ACRs** – “Academic Counseling and Registration”
  - See schedule
  - Rickover
  - Midshipmen learn of their course placement results
- **AA/SS** – “Academic Advising and Study Skills”
  - See Schedule
  - Rickover
  - Midshipmen get actual fall semester schedules
  - Study Skills and other help/Q&A discussions
- AcCenter / Academic Support Brief
- ADP Brief
## Typical Plebe Year

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Most Midshipmen follow a Typical Plebe Year

Others Vary …
and are usually in one of 3 categories:
– Midshipmen requiring remedial coursework *
– Basic Validation of one or more courses
– “High Validators” **

– Foreign Nationals ***

– Course sequencing guides are in advising handbook for most cases

* or ** or *** = special adviser may be assigned
• Most Advisers will have 10-12 plebe advisees
• Plebe Senior Advisers “Take the Lead,” esp. between ACRs and AA/SSs
  – Collects/reviews Academic Info Sheets
  – Assigns midshipmen to specific advisers
  – Assigns/checks XX and other blockers, as needed
  – Prints out schedules
  – Coordinates with Company leadership
• Communication, communication, communication
FAQs

- Placement & Validation
- Assigning Plebes to Advisers
- Blockers
  - Athletic: XP Blockers
  - Supplemental Instruction: XS Classes
  - Advising: XX Blockers
- Overloading (or Under-loading)
- Languages
- Changing Sections
- Concern about a midshipman – communicate!
  - Academic
  - Physical
  - Psychological
- Academic and Advisory Boards
- Majors Selection & STEM Initiative
- Dignity and Respect
- Advising/Mentoring Best Practices
Resources

• Plebe Senior Advisers
• Other Colleagues
  – SAAs (Division/Major)
  – Chairs / DivDirs
  – New! DDAA: Dr. Mark Taylor
  – DAA: Prof Pam Schmitt
• Advising Handbooks and Website
  – www.usna.edu/Academics
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Thank You

• Discussion and Questions