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Welcome back from spring break and to the season of sunshine, budding trees and advising!

Last week's thrilling victory by the men's basketball team, winning the Big Sky tournament and securing their third consecutive trip to the NCAA tournament, serves as a poignant reminder of the remarkable achievements of our student-athletes.

While our students excel in a variety of different athletic, artistic and creative noncurricular endeavors, they rely on the unwavering support of faculty to thrive academically. Your dedication to our students, both inside and outside the classroom, makes a lasting difference and is truly appreciated.

REGISTRATION ADVISING

As we enter the registration advising season, I want you to know that I appreciate greatly the time you invest in advising students on course selection for the upcoming summer and fall terms. Quality academic advising takes time, but you can be assured that it serves a crucial role in guiding students through their college journey. The insights and guidance you share profoundly impact students and greatly contribute to their academic success and persistence.

When meeting with students, consider starting the conversation by inquiring about their semester thus far and their plans for the future. This approach not only fosters a supportive environment but also provides an opportunity to discuss their educational aspirations in the broader context of their goals. I encourage you to familiarize yourself with the helpful <u>Academic Advising tips</u> on the Center for Faculty Excellence website to prepare for your advising sessions.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

If you encounter students who may benefit from additional support, beyond academic advising, please consider referring them to the <u>Allen Yarnell Center for Student Success</u> for a range of services, including student success coaching, career advising and tutoring. Additionally, <u>Student Health Partners</u> offers various supports and services, such as counseling and wellness coaching, to assist students in their overall well-being.

I wish you a fantastic second half of the spring term. Your ongoing dedication to our students is commendable, and I am grateful for your continued contributions to our academic community.

Best regards,



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Upcoming Events:

Mar. 29, 9:00 a.m., RTP Candidate Training, Romney 211 Apr. 16, 7:00 p.m., George Haynes, Provost's Distinguished Lecturer, Museum of the

Rockies

May 7, Tenure and Promotion Celebration
May 10, Spring Commencement, Brick Breeden Fieldhouse

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