Are you interested in a career that draws on your ability to mentor your students?

Have you thought about academic advising as a viable and exciting path? This PATHS seminar will introduce you to the advising skills integral to most academic careers while exploring the ways that academic advising speaks to and challenges your existing skillset. The seminar will shed light on the multitude of roles academic advisors play on campuses: mentors for undergraduates, collaborators with staff and faculty, and advocates for inclusion and equity in higher education. Through group work, case studies, and discussions, students will (1) learn advising skills, (2) develop a better understanding of academic advising as a profession, (3) increase their familiarity with the terminology used in student affairs, and (4) prepare for a job search in this field.

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