

Timeline

What many faculty members find appealing about advising is what they find appealing about teaching. Both provide opportunities to introduce others to the richness of the life of the mind.

Maura Reynolds, "Faculty Advising at Small Colleges: Realities and Responses,"
Advising and Learning: Academic Advising from the Perspective of Small Colleges and Universities

Initially the QEP Team planned to implement the new advising model in stages, using a pilot project in 2004-2005, with full implementation by 2005-2006. However, after further discussion with the QEP Team consultant Dr. Wes Habley, a new timeline, which eliminated the pilot project and extended time for planning, was adopted.

Table 6
Timeline for Implementing
Southeastern's Student Advising Center and Academic Mentoring Program

Summer, Fall, Spring 2004-2005	
Planning and discussion year – some initial implementation steps	
Late Fall 2004	Provost's Summit to further refine Quality Enhancement Plan
December 2004	Begin hiring process for the Director of Center for Student Excellence
January 2005	Submission of Quality Enhancement Plan to SACS
January 2005	Center for Student Excellence Advisory Committee appointed
March 2005	On-site visit by SACS
Spring 2005	Summit with University Planning Council and Advisory Committee
Spring 2005	Director of Center for Student Excellence is hired
Summer, Fall, Spring 2005-2006	
Initial implementation of the Center for Student Excellence as per the QEP Action Plans	
Summer 2005	Integration of support services and career exploration
Summer, Fall 2005	Begin hiring Senior Advisors
Summer, Fall 2005	Further refine plans for advising and departmental roles
Summer, Fall 2005	Develop training, technology, and evaluation tools
Summer, Fall 2005	Develop policies and procedures
Summer, Fall 2005	Continued role of Advisory Committee
Late Fall 2005	New building for Center for Student Excellence is completed and ready for occupancy
Fall 2005, Spring 2006	Begin hiring advisors
Summer, Fall, Spring 2006-2007	
First year of advising in the Center for Student Excellence	
Summer 2006	Freshmen and transfer advising begins
Spring 2006	Faculty mentoring begins
Summer 2006	Begin longitudinal evaluation of services
Summer, Fall, Spring 2006-2007	Continued role of Advisory Committee