The Institute for Learning and Teaching
Advising Professional Development Task Force

Key Question: What is being done elsewhere to support the professional development of advisors?

1. **Handbooks for advisors.** These handbooks typically include the following information:
   - Advising process (including the “stages of advising”)
   - Undergraduate policies and procedures
   - Campus resources
   - Career advising
   - Advising theories
   - Core information (e.g., drop dates, finals, registration deadlines)
   - Professional development and networking
   - Web links and presumed handout

2. **Symposiums and Conferences**
   - Ranging from one day conferences to week long
   - Online and face to face

3. **Links to advising journals**
   - Ex. “The Mentor” produced by Penn State (http://www.psu.edu/dus/mentor)

4. **Resources specific to an institution for students and advisors**
   - Degree completion sheet
   - Catalogs
   - Step-by-step instructions for advising/advisee
   - Tutoring
   - Peer advising, undergraduate, graduate and professional

5. **Orientations provided to students/staff**
   - Roles of advising
   - University life

6. **Memberships**
   - NACADA
   - Institution/statewide memberships

7. **Web Resources**
   - “Ask the Advisor” where email messages can be sent to advisor (e.g., http://www.psu.edu/advising/ask.htm)
   - Core Information
   - Advising theories and practices

**Institutional Web Sites**
- Kansas State University: http://www.k-state/advising/
- University of Idaho: http://www.students.uidaho.edu/defaultaspx?pid=35604
- Oklahoma State University: http://www.uas.okstate.edu
• National Academic Advising Association: http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Membership/allied_members.htm
• Indiana Academic Advising Network: http://iaan.calumet.purdue.edu/
• The University of Texas at Arlington: http://www.uta.edu/utaaa/
• Penn State University: http://www.psu.edu/advising
• University of Puget Sound: http://www.ups.edu/x18192.xml