

SUMMARY - ADVISING LOADS at FORT CAMPBELL

FACULTY – Based on ARGROS Reports – DOES NOT INCLUDE Full Time Advisors

AVERAGE NUMBER OF ADVISEES	80.76	ST DEV	62.54
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FULL TIME ADVISORS: AVERAGE NUMBER OF ADVISEES	262
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Notes – Advising Loads

- Advising loads vary within departments, with some carrying more of the advising load than others. This variation is greater in departments where some faculty members are responsible for students in both 2 and 4 year programs and in areas with two BS degree programs.
- Currently, the highest faculty advising loads are carried by **faculty in the Criminal Justice program, where two full time faculty members are responsible for almost 500 students.**
- The full time advisors advise students in the Associates of Liberal Arts degree program and those who have declared main campus majors. Each of those advisors work with over 250 students.
- The ARGROS data does not give a clear picture of advising loads. The results shown here should be taken as the best estimate available.

Notes and Observations:

- With 8 week terms, advisors at Fort Campbell will meet with their advisees **two** times for advisement for every one advising meeting for main campus faculty advising for 16 week terms.
- In addition to regular advising sessions, all Fort Campbell faculty members spend time advising in the advising center during registration. The advising center is open for two days (Wednesday and Thursday) before classes start the following Monday.
- The Fort Campbell campus serves a large number of nontraditional students who come to us with many hours of transfer credit. Advisors are required to go through this credit and document substitutions. This process requires a significant amount of an advisor's time.
- Many Fort Campbell students received Veterans Administration (VA) benefits. These students are required to work out plans of study with their advisors to satisfy VA requirements. This, too, is time consuming. Students often appear as walk-ins and need these evaluations completed immediately for their VA counselors. It is very difficult for an advisor to put off such a request.
- With 8 week terms, advisement for preregistration overlaps with the end of the term. Advisors are forced to juggle competing demands of end-of-term activities for classes with the need to meet with students for advisement. This often results in faculty members having to put off advising to meet course and final grade deadlines.