



# Evaluation Survey for Peer Advisors

**Note:**

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# Feedback survey for peer advisors

We would appreciate honest and complete answers, as that would help us implement changes in our peer advising system to the best of our abilities. You are given the possibility to choose whether you want to do the survey anonymously or not. The survey will remain open until xxx.

## Section 1

1. What is your name? *(optional) open-ended question*
2. In which semester do you study?
  - a. 3
  - b. 4
  - c. 5
  - d. 6
  - e. 7
  - f. 8
  - g. Other:
3. How old are you? *open-ended question*
4. Have you already been a university student or done an apprenticeship before studying?
  - a. No
  - b. Yes, I did start another study program before
  - c. Yes, I did complete another study program before
  - d. Yes, I did complete an apprenticeship before
  - e. Other:

## Section 2

5. How many peer advisors did your group have, including you?
  - a. Only 1
  - b. 2
  - c. 3
  - d. Other:
6. How many advisees were in your group?
  - a. 5
  - b. 6
  - c. 7
  - d. 8
  - e. Other:
7. Have you been a peer advisor before?
  - a. No
  - b. Yes
  - c. Yes, at another institution
  - d. Other:
8. How do you understand the concept of peer advising? *open-ended question*
9. Do you feel that the peer advising system met your expectations?
  - a. Not at all
  - b. To a small extent
  - c. To a moderate extent
  - d. To a great extent
  - e. Entirely

10. What was different from your expectations? *open-ended question*<sup>1</sup>

Section 3

11. How often did you meet with your advisees?
- Only once
  - Two times
  - Three times
  - Four times
  - More than four times
12. How many advisees attended the meetings on average?  
*Linear scale from 0 to 10*
13. Where did you meet? (multiple answers possible)
- In a bar or a pub
  - In a café or a restaurant
  - Advisor's home
  - Advisee's home
  - Common Room
  - University
  - Other:
14. How long were the meetings on average? *open-ended question*
15. Did you get in touch with some of your advisees outside of the meetings?
- Yes
  - No
  - Other:
16. Did you ever meet alone with some of your advisees?
- Yes
  - No
  - Other:
17. For what reasons did you meet alone with your peer advisees? *open-ended question*

Section 4

18. What did you talk about in the peer advising sessions? (multiple answers possible)
- Tips on academic work (writing essays and papers, preparing for exams etc.)
  - Strategies for learning and reading
  - Time management
  - Choice of major
  - Future study plans (going on exchange, choosing between different courses, etc.)
  - Extracurricular activities (sports, clubs, committees, etc.)
  - Tips about getting around Freiburg
  - Job opportunities, scholarships, etc.
  - Other:
19. Did you feel competent and knowledgeable enough to answer your advisees' questions?
- Not at all

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<sup>1</sup> All the questions in red only appeared to students who have chosen anything but "Entirely" as an answer for the question before

- b. To a small extent
  - c. To a moderate extent
  - d. To a great extent
  - e. Entirely
20. My advisees needed help with...
- a. Handling administrative matters and bureaucracy
  - b. Integrating into student life
  - c. Adapting to the university context
  - d. Understanding German culture
  - e. Gaining access to resources on campus
  - f. Not feeling alone with their challenges
  - g. Getting to know UCF and LAS better
  - h. Gaining new perspectives on the LAS
  - i. Setting themselves goals
  - j. Getting to know the other students better
  - k. Exchanging about experiences and problems
  - l. Other:
21. What were the three most commonly asked questions? *open-ended question*

### Section 5

22. The number of four mandatory peer advising meetings is...
- a. Just right
  - b. Too much
  - c. Too little
  - d. Other:
23. The time interval between the meetings is...
- a. Just right
  - b. Too much
  - c. Too little
24. What would be a good place for the peer advising sessions?
- a. Campus
  - b. Off-campus
  - c. Other:
25. What would be a good group size of advisees? Please answer this question only with a number (e.g. 5, but not 5 people, five people...). *open-ended question*
26. Should the sessions be run by one peer advisor or by a team of two advisors?
- a. 1 peer advisor
  - b. 2 peer advisor
  - c. Irrelevant
  - d. Other:
27. Would follow-up peer advising after the first year be useful?
- a. Yes
  - b. No
  - c. Other:

### Section 6

28. Did you feel sufficiently prepared for your role of a peer advisor?
- a. Not at all

- b. To a small extent
- c. To a moderate extent
- d. To a great extent
- e. Entirely

29. What could have been a useful part of your preparation/training? *open-ended question*

30. Did you feel that you could get assistance from the UCF for your role, if needed?

- a. Not at all
- b. To a small extent
- c. To a moderate extent
- d. To a great extent
- e. Entirely

31. What form of assistance would you wish for?

### Section 7

32. From your experience as a peer advisor, what went particularly well? *open-ended question*

33. From your experience as a peer advisor, what went really bad? *open-ended question*

34. What do you think should be improved in the UCF's peer advising system? *open-ended question*

35. Would you be interested in attending a more extensive peer advising training?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Other:

36. Would you like to get a certificate for a peer advising training?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Other:

37. How much time would you be willing to invest in a peer advising training?

- a. A couple of hours
- b. One day
- c. 2 days
- d. 3 days
- e. 4 days or more
- f. Other:

38. Which topics should be covered in a peer advising training? (multiple answers possible)

- a. Gender and sexuality
- b. Race and ethnicity
- c. Religion
- d. Multiculturality and intercultural communication
- e. Practical advice, role-plays, possible scenarios...
- f. Other:

### Section 8

39. Would you apply for being a peer advisor once again?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Other:

40. Is there anything else you would like to let us know? (*optional*) *open-ended question*