## **ACADEMIC ADVISING**

### **Advising**

The Office of Academic Advising coordinates advising and serves as a clearinghouse of information for all students and faculty regarding academic programs, policies, and procedures, as well as overseeing the student's initial registration at the University.

Each undergraduate student at St. Catherine's is assigned an academic advisor. Advisors help students clarify educational objectives, plan suitable courses of study, use available resources, explore opportunities for learning, and address academic problems that may arise.

### **Associate Degree Programs**

Upon admission to the University, students in associate degree programs are assigned an academic advisor. After beginning the professional sequence of courses, students are assigned a faculty advisor from within their area of study. To ensure sound academic planning, students are required to discuss with and obtain the support of their academic advisor before they can register for courses each term. Throughout their professional study, students are further encouraged to develop an ongoing relationship with their advisor and to communicate with their advisor regarding any concerns or difficulties that might have an impact on their academic success.

# Baccalaureate Programs in the College for Adults

Students in baccalaureate programs are assigned an advisor at the time they enroll. First-year, sophomore, and junior students are required to discuss their academic program with their academic advisor each term prior to registration. RN-BSN students and seniors are strongly encouraged to consult their advisors every semester.

# Baccalaureate Programs in the College for Women

Academic advisors help students throughout their college career. After the student's first year, or upon enrollment for transfer students, each student is also assigned a major faculty mentor.

To ensure success, first-year, sophomore, and junior students are required to meet with their advisor each term to discuss their academic program prior to registration. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors are strongly encouraged to consult with their faculty mentor every semester.

The Academic Advising Office also assists students seeking extra assistance with academic planning, withdrawing, or taking a leave of absence.