

# STUDENT SERVICES

## ST. JOHNS RIVER STATE COLLEGE

### ACADEMIC ADVISING SERVICES

Academic Advising services are available on each campus for current and prospective students. Academic advisors provide individual advising as well as initial group advising sessions for all new degree seeking students. All First Time in College (FTIC) students are assigned to an advisor on their home campus and we encourage all students to meet with their advisor on a regular basis.

Students may schedule an appointment with their advisor or drop-in to have a quick question answered. We recommend scheduling an appointment for students who need to review graduation requirements, participate in career counseling, discuss academic program planning and/or change programs, discuss transitioning to a baccalaureate program, complete Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) appeals, or who have in-depth questions regarding a policy or process at SJR State.

Students are encouraged to meet with their advisor throughout their academic career at SJR state. Advising opportunities from admission to graduation include the following milestones:

- Mandatory initial academic advising prior to first term enrollment.
- New freshmen are encouraged to meet with their assigned advisor during their first term of enrollment.
- Students pursuing limited access A.S. degrees will receive a hold after completing 15-credit hours. Students must attend a special program meeting to remove the hold in order to register for future courses.
- Students pursuing the A.A. degree, non-limited access A.S. degrees or certain college credit certificates will receive a hold after completing 30-credit hours. Students must meet with their advisor to remove the hold in order to register for future courses.
- Students are encouraged to meet with an advisor the term prior to graduation. In addition to completing all degree requirements, students are responsible for the graduation application, paying all associated fees and meeting the graduation application deadline.

Academic advising staff is dedicated to providing students with quality academic support services that involve timely and accurate academic advising, career counseling, services for students with disabilities and appropriate referrals as needed.

### COLLEGE TESTING

Testing for admissions to special programs is administered through the Testing Office. Students must schedule an appointment, and seating is limited. Check the College's website for specific dates.

Additionally, appointments for proctoring of distance learning exams from other institutions and for institutional exams are scheduled through the Testing Office. Each exam requires an administrative fee.

### STUDENT HANDBOOK

The student policies and regulations, rights and responsibilities, including regulations and policies pertaining to student conduct, are listed in the student handbook, which is available on the College website, SJRstate.edu.

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Government Association, through its elected student officers and representatives, promotes social, cultural, and recreational activities for all students and serves as a liaison group between the student body and the College administration.

The Student Government Association recommends the chartering of all campus organizations, appoints students to College committees, conducts the College student activities

program, and recommends student activity budgets.

### STUDENT IDENTIFICATION

While on College property, students should possess an SJR State student identification card. Students can secure this card from the student activities coordinator on each campus during designated times each spring and fall term. Cards that are lost, stolen or damaged may be replaced for a \$5.00 fee.

### ATHLETICS

St. Johns River State College is a charter member of the Florida College System Activities Association, the governing body for intercollegiate competition within the state. The College provides intercollegiate baseball for men and intercollegiate softball and volleyball for women.

The College is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association and participates in Region VIII of this organization.

### CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Students are encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities which include academic, service, religious, and special interest clubs and organizations. These organizations are largely student-initiated and controlled. A complete listing of clubs and organizations is found online in the student handbook.

### CULTURAL EVENTS

#### Florida School of the Arts

Located on the Palatka Campus, the Florida School of the Arts presents a wide variety of cultural activities in the arts including dramas, dance and musical presentations, and art exhibits.

#### Thrasher-Horne Center for the Arts

Located on the Orange Park Campus, the Thrasher-Horne Center for the Arts hosts traveling art exhibits, theatrical shows and community events and serves as a meeting site for business conferences and events.

