WHAT'S HAPPENING

DID YOU KNOW...

REMINDER: New Categories are available! Categories help to refine your search and give you more information about a student. We recently added Advising Hold, Applied for Graduation, and Minors. The Resources tab on the Pathways website has more information.

An easier way to search for all of your majors is here! Now in the Advanced Search, searching on a major returns all of the students with that major even if they are pursuing a double Major. This will streamline your search by making sure that you don’t miss anyone! Combined Majors are easy to distinguish in Pathways as well because they are separated by a dash (i.e., Politics-Philosophy).

Referral System
Remember, in spite of everything that is going on, the referral system on the Pittsburgh Campus is up-and-running! Check out the most up-to-date referrals here.

Exciting news! We have the Study Lab referral up and running. Be on the lookout for more referrals next month!

We are also working to flesh the referral system on the Regional Campuses. Stay tuned for more information to come!

Do you have any ideas for future referrals? Please let us know!

Pathways Success Stories
Have you had any early success stories that you would like to share? Please email the pathways helpdesk. These stories will be featured on future Pathways News.

Pathways Update
The Pathways team was busy this summer! In spite of the move to online advising and tutoring, we are still on track to complete our University-wide implementation of Pathways by the end of 2021, if not before. Some notable new groups using Pathways this fall are faculty advisors on the Pitt-Johnstown and Pitt-Bradford campuses and study abroad advisors across all campuses. You can view our updated timelines here.

REMOTE ADVISING

Good Practices in Virtual Advising
We have put together some resources to help advisors make the transition to remote advising.

A few things to highlight:

- Communication is key! Be sure to communicate with students about which method(s) you will use to connect with them. The Dietrich School has drafted an excellent template message, so you don’t need to re-invent the wheel
- You can include a phone number or URL in your availability that will be displayed to students in email confirmations and reminders
- Advisors are having a lot of luck using their Personal Zoom Room for advising meetings. Just to be sure to enable a waiting room, so students don’t interrupt meetings already in progress