**Mapping Your Success**

**Advisor Guide**

As an academic advisor for freshmen and transfer students, you have great influence on their early development. An integral part of the Quality Enhancement Plan or the First Year Experience is for academic advisors to schedule time to challenge students to think about a goal (either short-term or long-term that is academic/career/major related) and develop their own roadmap for how to meet their goal.

This activity is intended to serve a few purposes:

* Practice setting goals now to prepare for future goal setting
* To start thinking of the big picture and preparing them for larger life choices: career, possible family, etc.
* Start the conversation (if not already) between you and your advisees about their goals here at H-SC and beyond
* This is a great tool to talk with your advisees in future one-on-one meetings

Enclosed you will see:

* Student Packet
* Discussion questions if you’d like prompting questions to ask of your advisees that day, or afterwards in a one-on-one meeting
* A four year plan template that you may work on with your advisees at a later date to help them start planning for the future

Discussion Questions

What is important to you?

What school subjects have you enjoyed the most?

What do you believe could help you reach your goal?

What do you believe could prevent you from reaching it?

Can I now see a specific goal or destination that I would like to reach?

Is my goal realistic?

Do I need more information to move toward my goal?