

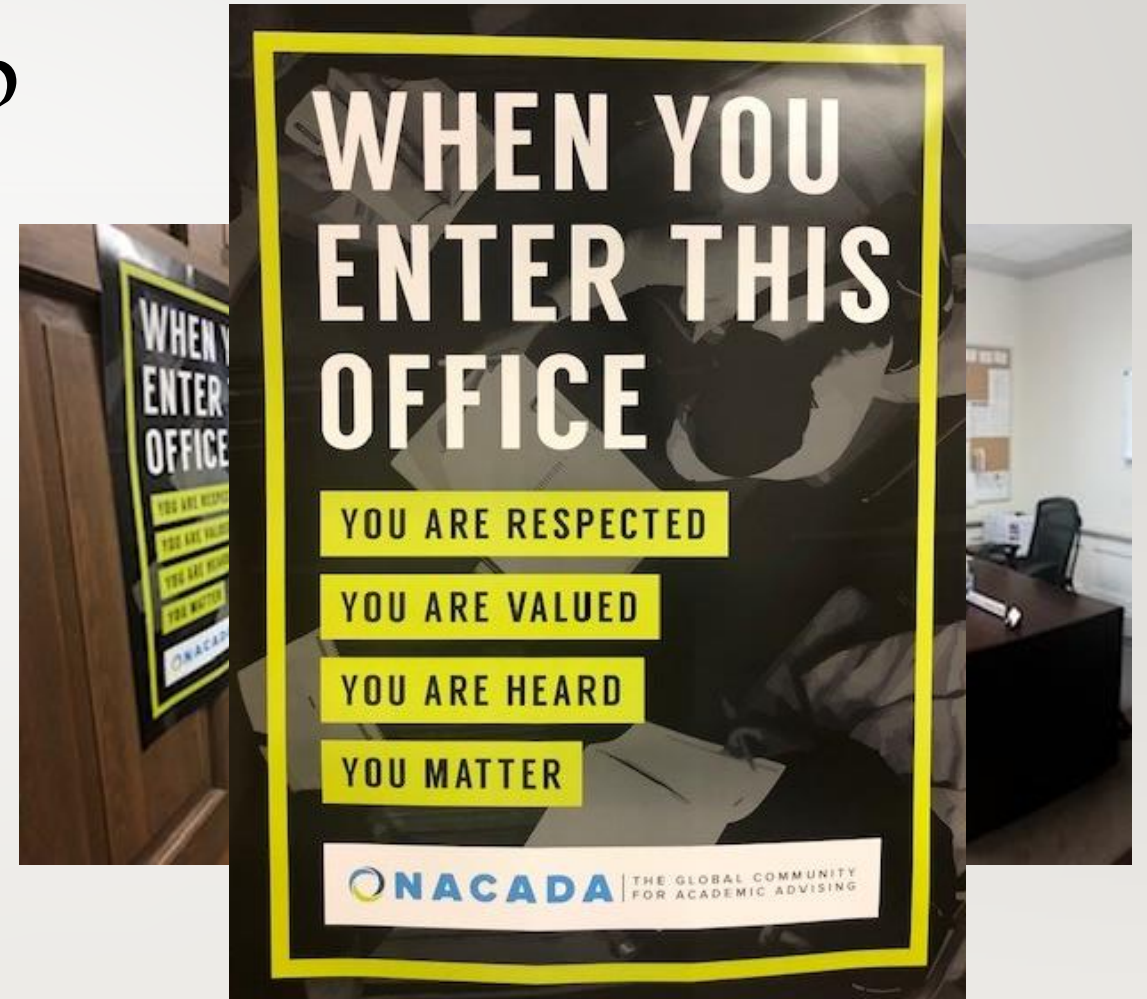


# How to Successfully Initiate, Build and Maintain a Positive Adviser/Student Relationship

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# Initiate a Relationship

- Introduction is everything
  - Letter (Welcome, Role, Appointment Link)
- Create a welcoming environment and/or safe space
- Begin with the end in mind





**How do you make  
your **first interaction**  
unique?**

# Build a Relationship

- Accessibility to the adviser
- Provide timely and positive communication
- Provide accurate information
- Use 'personal' words and own experiences
- Knowledge of university policy, curriculum, program information, community and university resources
- **TRUST**



**What do you do to  
build a relationship  
with students?**



# Maintain a Relationship

- Discussion of program goals/achievements, degree and career expectations
- Follow up questions from previous meetings (prior discussions, opportunities, class issues)
- Stay connected (Campus events, Check-in emails, LinkedIn-post graduation)



**What**  
**actions**  
**do you take?**



# Thank You

QUESTIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THE PANEL DISCUSSION