PhD Student Advising At a Glance

**The Team:**

- Faculty Advisor
- Committee Chair
- Doctoral Advisor, Office of Student and Academic Affairs (OSAA)
- Writing Coach, Office of Student and Academic Affairs (OSAA)
PhD Student Advising: Part I

Faculty Advisors:

Students will be assigned a Faculty Advisor upon entrance to the program. Sometimes a student’s Faculty Advisor and Committee Chair are the same person.

Mentorship from your Faculty Advisor and/or Chair of your Committee includes (but is not limited to):

• Crafting the Program Guide and Plan of Study (including the substantive area of interest and minor area of interest)
• Guidance on course content and expectations
• Supporting students with career objectives and advising on how the degree will expand professional options
• Assistance choosing a topic for the Dissertation
• The research and writing of the Dissertation
• Preparing for major milestones such as the Comprehensive Examination and the Final Oral Defense
DNP Graduate Student Advising: Part II

Doctoral Advisor:

Ellie Mendoza, PhD

In support of educational goals, the guidance provided by the Doctoral Advisor includes (but is not limited to):

- GradPath Forms
- Program of Study
- Deadlines and CON Forms
- Processes and Requirements
- Program Changes

Writing Coach:

Leslie Dupont, PhD
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As the Writing Coach, Les works with students (faculty and staff) with professional and academic writing that covers:

- Essays
- Articles
- Presentations
- Proposals
- DNP Projects
- PhD Dissertations