ACADEMIC ADVISING & MENTORING IN HIGHER EDUCATION:
A CARIBBEAN CONTEXT

SYMPOSIUM

March 16 – 17, 2020
School of Education
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
DAY ONE

Monday March 16, 2020

REGISTRATION

OPENING CEREMONY
Master of Ceremonies
Ms. Lynette Joseph-Brown
Chair, Academic Advising & Mentoring in Higher Education Symposium Committee

WELCOME REMARKS
Ms. Lynette Joseph-Brown
Symposium Chair

OPENING REMARKS
Prof. Indar Ramnarine
Deputy Principal, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

CREATIVE PRESENTATION
Shimiah Lewis
The UWI St. Augustine Campus

KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Dr. Sandra Reid
Deputy Dean and Senior Lecturer in Psychiatry, Faculty of Medical Sciences
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Interrogating and Integrating Academic Advising and Mentoring in Higher Education

BREAK

INDIVIDUAL PAPER SESSION 1: Academic Advising in Higher Education

Session Chair: Dr. Dianne Thurab-Nkhosi
Faculty Development Specialist, Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
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Greg-Louis Austin & Cynthia Onyefulu  
University of Technology, Jamaica  
*Undergraduate Students’ Perspectives on Academic Advisement in Face-to-Face Programmes offered at a University in Jamaica*

Cathy-Ann Radix, Richelle Adams & Kevin Narinesingh  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
*Adjusting Academic Advising Practice for an Undergraduate Programme to Increase Advisee Participation and Effectiveness of the Academic Advising Process*

Sylvia Henry & Sonia Mahon  
The UWI Cave Hill Campus  
*Customizing an Academic Advisor Training Model: Changing the Culture of Academic Advising within a Caribbean Higher Education Institution*

Hilary Drakes-Morris  
The UWI Open Campus  
*An Academic Advising Model for Students in the Online Environment*

Wanda Chesney  
University of the Southern Caribbean  
*The Student Advisement and Success Centre: An Integrated Approach to Student Success*

Malini Maharaj, Roxanne Brizan-St. Martin, Ricardo Laloo, Leon Henry, Daren Conrad, Althea La Foucade  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
*The Evolution of Academic Advising in the Department of Economics (The UWI St. Augustine): Towards a Best-Practice*
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10:15am – 11:25am

INDIVIDUAL PAPER SESSION 2: Mentoring in Higher Education

Session Chair: Dr. Talia Esnard
Deputy Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
(Undergraduate Student Affairs)
The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Katija Khan & Sandra Reid
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Mentorship Perceptions and Preferences Among Medical Students

Dale Miller
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Mentorship: How It Currently Exists and the Importance and Benefits Acquired for life

Debra Ferdinand-James
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
& Claudette Medina-Charles
University of Trinidad and Tobago
Exploring E-Mentoring Thinking and Practice for Graduate Research Supervision in a Caribbean Context: A Mixed Methods Approach

Margaret Jean Westby
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Dancing to a New Beat: Shifting the Dialogue in Mentoring

12:30pm – 1:20pm

LUNCH

1:30pm – 12:30pm

PANEL DISCUSSION: Academic Advising & Mentoring in Higher Education

Session Chair: Dr. Maurice Smith
University Registrar, The UWI

Dr. Brian Cockburn
Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Ms. Vakeesha John  
Student Representative  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Mr. Jerry Medford  
President, The University of the West Indies Alumni Association (Trinidad and Tobago Chapter)

Dr. Wayne Goodridge  
Head of Department, Computing and Information Technology, Faculty of Science and Technology, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

2:30pm – 2:45pm  
BREAK

2:50pm – 3:50pm  
INDIVIDUAL PAPER SESSION 3: Mentoring in Higher Education cont’d

Session Chair:  
Dr. Andrea Joseph-Hutchinson  
Lecturer, Department of Physics, Faculty of Science and Technology, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Jannet McIntosh  
The UWI Mona Campus  
Mentoring Relationships, Love and Gender

Amanda Best-Noel & Alliyah Jackson  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
Designing a Mentorship Program for Student Leaders in a Higher Education Caribbean Landscape

Shereyl Daley  
The UWI Mona Campus  
Academic Mentoring in Higher Education: Changes for the Learning Organization

Anita Ali  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
Professional Development of Graduate Mentors Linked to a Successful Graduate Mentorship Programme
DAY TWO

Monday March 17, 2020

REGISTRATION

KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Prof. Jerome Delisle
Director, School of Education
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Diverse Realities, Experiences and Challenges of Delivering Academic Advising

BREAK

PANEL DISCUSSION: Interrogating Wellbeing in Higher Education: Perspectives, Policies and Practices

Session Chair: Dr. Deirdre Charles
Director, Division of Student Services & Development, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Mr. Allister Hinds
Director, Human Resource, The UWI Mona Campus

Mrs. Anna Marina White
CEO, SITAL College of Tertiary Education Ltd.

Dr. Sarah Chin Yuen Kee
Counsellor, Counselling and Psychological Services (CAPS), The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Dr. Gillian Paul
President, The College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAAT)

INDIVIDUAL PAPER SESSION: Interrogating Wellbeing in Higher Education

Session Chair: Ms. Allison Dolland
Deputy Campus Librarian
The UWI St. Augustine Campus
Karen Edwards-Sheppard  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
*Academic Advising, Integration, Motivation and Student Retention at The UWI: An Exploration of the Faculty of Social Sciences, St Augustine Campus*

Arti Ramroop  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
*An Investigation into Efficient Academic Advising and its Effect on Advisor and Student Well-being at The University of the West Indies, St Augustine, Trinidad*

Jheanell A Morgan  
The UWI Mona Campus  
*Appreciative Advising: Success for Students, Advisors and Mentors*

Keisha Samlal  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
*Mentorship and the Early Career Researcher in Higher Education: A Critical Reflection*

12:35pm – 1:20pm  
**LUNCH**

1:30pm – 2:30pm  
**CREATIVE PRESENTATIONS:** Voices and Reflections  
**Session Chair:** Dr. Justin Zephyrine  
E-Learning Support Specialist  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  

Ms. Camille Renaud  
The UWI St. Augustine Campus  
**EXTEMPO:** Addressing the Struggles in Academic Advising  

2:30pm – 2:45pm  
**LUNCH**
2:50pm – 3:50pm

OPEN PANEL DISCUSSION

Session Chair: Ms. Lynette Joseph-Brown
Programme & Research Officer, Office of the Deputy Principal, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Dr. Chris Maharaj
Senior Lecturer, Materials and Manufacturing, Faculty of Engineering, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Ms. Nardia Thomas-Allain
Assistant Registrar, Examinations
The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Ms. Kathy-Ann Lewis
Manager, Careers, Co-Curricular and Community Engagement, Division of Student Services & Development, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Dr. Sandra Reid
Senior Lecturer, Psychiatry, Faculty of Medical Sciences, The UWI St. Augustine Campus

Ms. Cheryl Carter
Assistant Registrar, Human Resources
The UWI St. Augustine Campus

3:50pm – 4:05pm

CLOSING

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Dr. Talia Esnard
Deputy Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences (Undergraduate Student Affairs)
The UWI St. Augustine Campus

VOTE OF THANKS
Ms. Lynette Joseph-Brown
Symposium Chair

4:15pm – 6:00pm

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