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Group Plan for the MBA Advising System

When creating the Advising System for the MBA Program at the University of North Alabama it is important to assess the role of the System to each User who will be accessing/manipulating the data and what roles each User should have.

For the Student, he/she needs to be able to find their Advisor information, office hours, and other information about their Advisor. The student also needs to be able to request an Advisor change.

Advisors primarily need the ability to register the student for classes. They will also need registration records to verify that the student does not have any holds, is in good academic standing, and can register for classes. Additionally this module should be used to perform degree audits and aid in advising the student what classes to take based on requirements not met

Both the Advisor and the Student will be able to look up classes that are offered by semester, time, professor, and similar sorting capabilities. Both parties also need to be able plan long term or short term schedules on the path to graduation.

Registrars will need all of the abilities that an Advisor has along with the ability to make changes to the details of Students. Student address changes, name changes, or Major changes should all be funneled through the Registrar.

Admin roles will consist of all of the above permissions in addition to creating Class changes and prerequisite requirements. By giving all roles to Admins it will allow for any potential System malfunctions to be serviced immediately until they errors can be corrected. Furthermore, by only allowing Admins to have access to Class changes it will keep the majority of erroneous errors from occurring.

The instructions will act as a guideline for the initial building of the System until post-implementation, when actions can be reevaluated for additional ease of use.