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Virginia Tech Staff Employee of the Week

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Group Name: Cynthia L. Koziol
Job Title: Undergraduate Advising Coordinator
Employee's Home Department: Psychology
Employee's College or VP Area: College of Sciences
Nominated For: President's Award for Excellence
Nominated By: Bob Stephens, Department Head, Psychology
Virginia Tech Hire Date: August 27, 1984



Summary

Cindy Koziol is the Undergraduate Advising Coordinator in the Department of Psychology. She takes care of close to 1,000 students who have Psychology as their first or second major, along with 100+ psychology minors. She handles almost all details for Freshman/Transfer Orientation summer sessions and the departmental commencement ceremony each May. Students come to her office, call her, or e-mail frequently for advice, comfort, assistance, assurance, or just to talk, knowing she will have a solution or will try to find one.

Cindy attends seminars and conferences whenever possible to learn new information and ideas in the advising area that she can bring back and use to be even more efficient. Her full-time availability to advise relieves a lot of stress off faculty members who also advise, but are also responsible for so many other things at the same time. They, and the students, appreciate knowing Cindy is always in her office ready to help. She truly loves working with the students, and it shows in her interactions with them and her willingness to go the extra mile to make their time here at Virginia Tech all it can possibly be. She is a great ambassador for her department.

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