Advising M.S. Graduate Students: Issues and Perspectives

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One of the most important, satisfying and challenging aspects of an academic position is the advisement of graduate students. A very important part of graduate studies is the training of M.S. students, the primary focus of this paper. The paper will include discussions on the following: advisor-advisee relationships, differences in advising M.S. and Ph.D. students, the role of the major professor in developing and directing the student's research program, development of a course of study and research project; and, the importance of interactions with faculty, other graduate students and postdoctoral associates.

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