Getting started with HuskySuccess

Log in to HuskySuccess

- 1. Go to https://intranet.bloomu.edu/facstaff
- 2. Click the "HuskySuccess" button to get to the landing page
- 3. Click the "LOGIN" button and enter your SSO and DUO credentials
- 4. Or, go directly to http://bloomu.edu/husky-success and sign on as in step 3

Set up your HuskySuccess profile and preferences

Review and update your contact information, and set baseline preferences for appointments and email from HuskySuccess.

Navigate to your Profile

- 1. Log in to HuskySuccess
- 2. Go to your Institutional Profile by
 - a. Clicking the triple bar or "hamburger" icon in the upper left
 - b. Then click on your name



Update your Institutional Information

All HuskySuccess users should update contact information, regardless of how much or little they intend to use HuskySuccess. Your contact information is visible to students who have a connection to you through a HuskySuccess role.

- 1. Select the Institutional Profile tab.
- 2. Click **Upload Photo** to add or change a photo.
- 3. Choose your **Login Page**, the page the you will see directly upon logging in. We recommend choosing **Students** → **My Students**.
- 4. Change your **Title** that clearly identifies your role and department (e.g. Professor Department of Exceptionality Programs).
- 5. Remove your **cell phone number** if it was system-populated unless you would like students to have access to it.
- 6. Add information to the **General Overview** section. Use this section to add a friendly introduction and to indicate how you can help students.
- 7. Add information to the **My Biography** section. What are your areas of expertise that are relevant to students who might talk with you?

Select your Appointment Preferences

- 1. From your profile, select the **Appointment Preferences** tab.
- 2. If you will let students schedule their own appointments, set a scheduling deadline for them, (e.g., by 5:00 pm the day before).
- 3. Under **My Locations**, add your office address and possibly a Zoom or phone option. At least one location *must* be added to be able to schedule appointments.
- 4. If you would like someone else to be able to add student appointments to your calendar, add a **Calendar Manager**. You can select any other HuskySuccess user. It is recommended that you add your unit's support staff person.
- 5. Click **Submit** to save your information.

Select your Email and Calendar Preferences

- 1. From your profile, select the **Email Notifications** tab.
- 2. Under **Appointment Notifications**:
 - a. Tell HuskySuccess when it's OK to send you emails about your upcoming appointments.
 - b. Check boxes to tell HuskySuccess to send your external calendar a calendar attachment for every change to your appointments and office hours.

Send me an email with a calendar attachment for every:

Change to my appointments

Change to my Office Hours/Group Sessions

- c. Select **summary email** frequency for tracking items and appointment activity.
- d. Select your **tracking item notification** preferences.
 - i. **HINT**: To reduce inbox cluttering, choose one summary email, and make sure you have unchecked the box for an immediate email whenever a tracking item is raised.

Define your availability to students

Scheduled meetings can be one less thing for you to manage, and assures students that you have time for them.

For students to schedule their own appointments with you, three conditions must be met:

- 1. The student must have a connection to you through at least one of your HuskySuccess roles.
- 2. You must be visible to the student through a one-to-one connection (advisor, instructor) or listed as a member of a student-facing service.
- 3. You must make appointments available to students using one of the options detailed below.

Once you create this availability, students with a connection to you can see your open appointment times, and select the appointment that fits their schedule. *Students can only see times that are available*.

Decision point: Are you only allowing walk-ins? If yes, use Method A. If no, are the times you would offer to students regularly recurring? If yes, use Method A. If no, use Method B.

Method A: Add Office Hours Button: Walk-in and Regularly Recurring Meeting Blocks

Use to add walk-in hours or use when availability recurs on a repeating pattern that rarely or never changes.

- 1. Click the **hamburger** icon.
- 2. Click **Home** or **Appointments**.
- 3. Click the Office Hours button on your HuskySuccess Home page or Appointments page.
- 4. This opens the **Add Office Hour** form.
- 5. **Enter a Title (name)** for this block of time. Students will see this name when they view your calendar. The title will also help your or others managing your calendar identify different types of office hours.
- 6. Select What day(s) and indicate any recurrence (e.g. Repeats every 1 week).
- 7. Use the **What time** fields to enter the start and end time for the office hours.

- NOTE: Once this office hour block is saved, you will not be able to edit the days on
 which the office hours occur or the type of frequency (e.g. weekly) but you will be able
 to edit how often the block recurs (e.g. 1 week vs. 2 weeks) and the specific times
 available.
- 8. Select **Where** meetings will be held using the checkbox(es) next to your location(s).
 - If you choose more than one location, the student will be able to choose his/her preferred location for the meeting.
 - To add additional locations options, go to the **Appointments Preference** page of your **Profile**.
- 9. Select the **Office Hour Type** for meetings you will hold during this block.
 - Select Scheduled and Walk-ins if you will be using the kiosk/waiting room features, and you plan to take walk-ins between appointments.
 - Select Scheduled Appointments Only if you will not take any walk-ins between scheduled appointments.
 - Select Walk-ins Only to show the time as available to students, but disallow anyone from making advance appointments.
- 10. Select **How long** meetings can be by selecting a minimum and maximum duration. *If you do not want students to select the appointment duration, choose the same value for minimum and maximum.*
- 11. Select the **Appointment Type** you will use for this block of availability. Appointment Types dictate:
 - o which students can schedule during this time (based on the role that connects you),
 - o the appointment reasons shown to students,
 - which SpeedNotes will display, and
 - which roles can view the appointment and its notes.
- 12. Use the **Instructions box** to enter instructions to students scheduling with you during this block of time. Instructions are required for blocks that allow walk-ins.
- 13. Click the **Start/End Date tab** to set a time frame for a repeating office hour block, and select an **End Date** for the block. For the End Date, you may choose: Never, End of Term, on a specified date, or after a specified number of occurrences.
 - o **NOTE**: If you do not set an end date, it will default to **Never**
- 14. Click the Submit button to save your Office Hour block.

Need to Edit or Cancel office hours?

After setting your **initial Office Hours** in HuskySuccess, as your availability changes, you may need to adjust, or even cancel, your original Office Hour blocks. You may **edit or cancel those Office Hours** as follows:

- 1. Select **Appointments** from the main menu.
- 2. Select the **Agenda tab** of your HuskySuccess Calendar and locate the Office Hour Block you would like to modify.
- 3. Open the **Office Hours pop-up card** by hovering over the **Office Hours icon** (2) to the left of the Office Hour block title.
- 4. Select **Edit** from the Office Hours pop-up card to edit an existing block.
- 5. You cannot modify the "What Day(s)" settings, but you can modify the **frequency** of recurrence, **start and end times**, **locations**, **durations**, **appointment types**, **instructions** and overall **start/end dates** for the meeting series.

- 6. To **cancel** an occurrence of the Office Hour block, select the **arrow** on the Cancel button, and from the Cancel menu, select "**Just this one**."
- 7. To cancel all occurrences of the Office Hour block, select the arrow on the Cancel button, and from the Cancel menu, select "The entire series."
- 8. Update the desired fields and click Submit.
 - NOTE: If you need to update or edit your locations, please navigate to the Hamburger Menu > Your Name > Appointment Preferences.

Method B: Scheduling Wizard: Non-Recurring, Non-Patterned Appointment Blocks

Ideal when availability needs to fit around other calendar items in a non-patterned way. This method allows you to create multiple, separate blocks of availability, and easily cancel or modify only specific blocks if needed.

Note: This method will only allow you to set up availability for scheduled meetings. Use Method A: Add Office Hours button to create Walk-in availability (see instructions in the previous section).

- Click the Scheduling Wizard button from your HuskySuccess Home page or Appointments page.
- 2. **Enter** the Title, location (Where?), duration (How long?), Appointment Types and Instructions that should be applied to all of the office hour blocks that are to be created.
 - o **NOTE**: Choose the same minimum and maximum appointment length.
- 3. Click the **Next** button.
- 4. The date and time page of the wizard is displayed using a Monday through Friday grid for the current week. The date range is displayed in the top right corner of the grid.
- 5. Use the <> controls to the right of the date range to navigate to the week in which you want to begin scheduling the office hours.
- 6. In the selected week, **enter the start and end times for each block** in the appropriate day columns. You can schedule multiple office hour blocks on any day within the week.
- 7. If you need to schedule more than three blocks on any day, select the "Add Another Block" link in the column for that day.
- 8. To add blocks to another week, use the < > controls to move to the next week and repeat until you have entered all of the blocks you wish to add at this time.
- 9. Click the **Finish** button to create all of the office hour blocks.
- 10. A **summary** is presented that includes a list of hours that could not be created due to conflicts between the blocks you specified and existing calendar items. Make a note of failed blocks before clicking **Finish** to exit the wizard.

Scheduling a Single Appointment

- 1. Click the **Appointment** button, search for the student, and select the appointment day, time, and reason.
- 2. Receive the .ical to your **external calendar**.
- 3. Student receives an appointment notification **email** to their BU account.

How to document outreach to students

Find your students:

- 1. Go to the **Students** tab under the hamburger icon.
- 2. Make sure you're on the My Students tab.

3. Choose the **Connection** from the drop-down menu.



- 4. Click the **check box** to select a student. You can select all on a page by clicking the check box next to **Name** in the header.
 - a. If you have more than 25 advisees, you need to select all on **each** page.
- 5. **Decide** whether someone else needs to know you sent this message to students.
 - a. If **No**, no one else needs to know, choose **Message**. This sends a BCC email to each of the selected students that **only you** can see in their HuskySuccess folders.
 - b. If YES, someone else does need to know, choose Note. This sends a BCC email to each of the selected students and records the note in each of the student's HuskySuccess folders, visible to those with view permission for notes.
- 6. If adding a message visible to others, click the **Note** button.
- 7. Select **General Shared Note** from the Note Type menu.
- 8. Add a **subject line**, just as you would when writing an email.
- 9. Type the **body** of the message, just as you would when writing an email.
- 10. Check the Send copy of note to student checkbox if you want the student to receive it.
- 11. Click Submit.

Bonus: When using HuskySuccess to send emails to students, you can see when the message was sent and when it was viewed.

Documenting meetings with students

Keeping brief, accurate summaries of your meetings with students is important. It is both an ethical obligation of advising and a time saver for you in the long run. Documentation in HuskySuccess aids:

- Collaboration and consistency between different people who interact with students
- Allows us to help students without relying solely on students to translate instructions/needs
- Helps us correct errors that we make (because we do, and will, but not on purpose)
- Helps us hold students accountable

What should and shouldn't I document? Use this guide:

• If you recommended that the student do something, summarize that recommendation.

- When sharing information about the student, share information that others should know in order to better help the student. For example, if the student aspires for a particular career path, note that so others can also help if the occasion arises.
- Ask yourself, "Am I documenting my judgment, or stating a fact?" (hint: stick to facts)
- Do not "out" the student on private matters or health diagnoses. If a big issue is relevant to their academic progress, use general language, but omit the details.
- Above all, remember that these notes are part of a student's FERPA rights.

NOTE: See more **Note Taking Guidelines** on the BU HuskySuccess webpage.

How to document meetings

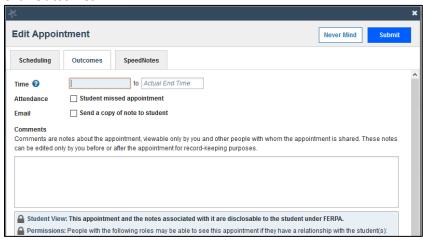
- 1. Log in to HuskySuccess
- 2. Your scheduled meetings are visible in several places in HuskySuccess:
 - a. The **Appointments box** on your Dashboard (home screen).
 - b. In the **Appointments** section:
 - i. Click the hamburger icon and click on the **Appointments** section
 - 1. Agenda view (pictured below)
 - 2. Daily view
 - 3. Weekly view



3. Hover over the calendar icon anywhere you find it.



4. Click Outcomes



- 5. Type your comments in the Comments box.
- 6. Check the appropriate SpeedNotes.
- 7. Click Submit.

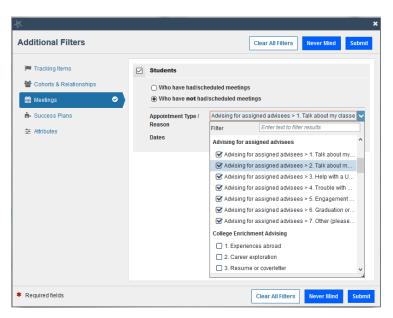
Getting information out of HuskySuccess

Filters allow you to find students who meet particular criteria. For example:

- Find students who haven't met with you yet
- Find students who have flags that haven't been addressed
- 1. Go to the **Students** tab under the hamburger icon.
- 2. Make sure you're on the My Students tab.
- 3. Choose the **Connection** from the drop-down menu.
- 4. Click the Add Filters button.
- 5. **Select** the desired filtering criteria from the dialog box.
 - NOTE: This is an AND filter, so it will return results for students who fit ALL of your selected criteria.
- Your list of students shortens to only the students who fit your selected filtering criteria.

Example 1: Find students who have not yet scheduled an appointment with you:

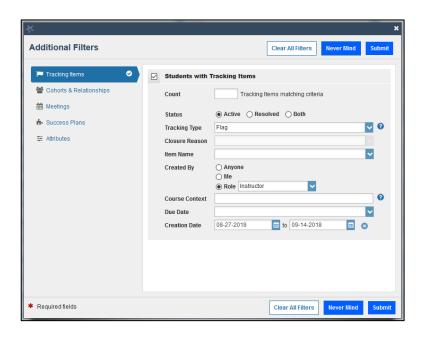
- a. Click the Add Filters button.
- b. Choose the **Meetings** tab.
- c. Check the **Students** box.
- d. Click the radio button for students Who have not had/scheduled meetings. (Conversely, if you need to report how many students HAVE met with you, choose the other radio button).



- e. Choose the **Appointment Type** and check the boxes for its associated **reasons**.
- Select Start and End dates.
 - a. Click Submit.

Example 2: Find students who have flags that haven't been addressed:

- a. Click the Add Filters button.
- b. Choose the Tracking Items tab.
- c. Select Active.
- d. Select tracking type: Flag
- e. If you want to see flags you raised, select Me. If you want to see flags raised by all instructors, choose Role: Instructor
- f. Set beginning and end dates.
- g. Click Submit.



Progress reporting

At critical times of the year, Instructors are encouraged to report progress for two reasons:

- 1) Help students assess where they stand in your course and whether or not they need to make changes in order to be successful in the course.
- 2) Help others find students who are in trouble across multiple courses so they can offer help.

The reporting campaign creates a **progress report survey**, which packages a subset of Flags and Kudos, but instructors can use any of the available HuskySuccess methods to provide feedback to students.

There are two ways to alert students using Flags and Kudos:

- 1. **Complete a progress survey** Most intuitive for large classes. If you use the manual method below, click the Submit button on the survey to stop automated reminder emails.
- 2. **Manually raise Flags or Kudos** Use if a progress survey is not available (e.g., submitted the survey too soon, or want to provide feedback outside of a reporting campaign period).

IMPORTANT NOTE: A **No Show progress survey** is opened once per semester (or summer session) per class at the end of the add/drop period. The No Show Flag is *only* available within the No Show progress survey, not as an individual flag. You are encouraged to submit these surveys as they have replaced the previous method of collecting such data by the Registrar's Office. The new process alleviates the need for you to look up names and student IDs. *Even if you have nobody to report as a "no show" during the add/drop period, please submit the survey.*

NOTE: Step-by-step instructions for completing a progress survey are available in the **Progress Survey Tutorial** on the BU HuskySuccess webpage.

Most Flags and Kudos are available for use at any time of the semester. When raised, each Flag or Kudo may generate an email message to the student and/or the student's advisor using the template language. Any comments you choose to add are included in this email. All **message templates** are available on the BU HuskySuccess webpage.

How we choose to use the tool makes the difference between this being an exercise in meeting a bureaucratic requirement or it being a chance to call students and others to action. When a student talks with someone about the issue raised, that person will hopefully close the loop and let the instructor or pertinent role know. This doesn't mean the problem was solved, but it does mean the flag was successful in getting someone's attention and in causing an action.

Thank you for your continued support in our students' success!