## Excellence in Undergraduate Advising

## **Brandon Fris**

Academic Coordinator Biological Sciences

An energetic advisor with a clear communication style, Brandon Fris quickly establishes rapport with students from all walks of life as he guides them through their educational journey.

Brandon engages students in active decisionmaking, helping them create a cohesive career plan and ensuring they are aware of opportunities for community involvement, research, internships, and study abroad. He is perceptive and regularly reaches out to students that might be experiencing difficulties.

In addition to managing a large caseload of advisees, Brandon is the advising manager for the School of Biological Sciences. He collaborates with faculty mentors and health professions advisors, as well as local community college advisors, to ensure all undergraduates receive consistent, accurate information.

Brandon's initiatives encompass recruitment as well as retention. For example, he coordinates activities across the school for on-campus events such as Fall Preview for prospective students and Experience WSU for admitted students.

Exceptional for his compassion and commitment to student success, Brandon is an invaluable member of the SBS team and an asset to the college and the University.

