

Agronomy Departmental Policy for Changing Adviser-Advisee Assignments

Students may request to change their adviser. Students wanting to change advisers should follow these guidelines:

Contact Stephanie Zumbach, 1126F Agronomy Hall, phone: 294-5179; email szumbach@iastate.edu) to initiate the adviser change. Students may suggest other advisers but first choices may not be possible because of advising loads of the preferred adviser.

Stephanie will note the reason(s) why an adviser change is desired and will handle the information in a generic way to protect the identity of the advisee. Information and feedback from advisees requesting a change will be accumulated over a reasonable time period, and then given to the advisers as a group without identifying specific advisers or advisees. This information will be used for professional improvement of advisers and our advising system.

Stephanie will notify the original adviser that their advisee is changing to another adviser. This is so that they can remove the advisee from their list and not worry about trying to contact the advisee.

Stephanie will work with Melissa Stolt in the Student Services Office to keep a current advisee list for each adviser. This list will be used to help balance advisee loads among advisers