

Lucas Noboa, Ed.D.
Senior Director of Academic Advocacy

Dr. Noboa currently serves as the inaugural Senior Director of Academic Advocacy in the Student Success Initiatives unit within the Division of Student Success and Well-Being. In this role, he provides leadership to and manages a team of Academic Advocates and the PeerKnights program to monitor, support, and advocate for undergraduate students as part of a coordinated care management approach to student success.

His team of Academic Advocates serve as care managers for FTIC and transfer student cohorts who show signs of academic distress. He works directly with students to remove any barriers and promote persistence, progression, and timely degree completion. He reports directly to the Senior Assistant Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and consults regularly with and advises senior leadership in the Division of Student Success and Well-Being to enhance university-wide policies, programs, and practices.

He collaborates with various departments and colleges across the university to support student success initiatives and academic advancement while providing guidance to campus partners to address academic barriers. He serves on appointed Student Success and Institutional committees, presents to internal and external offices, and ensures the provision of timely, accurate, and actionable data to identify students who require high levels of support.

He also provides leadership and oversight to the PeerKnights program, which assists undergraduate students with a variety of topics including navigating UCF, discovering educational resources and services and identifying academic and social engagement opportunities to facilitate student success.

Dr. Noboa obtained a bachelor's degree in Political Science and master's degree Higher Education Administration from Barry University in Miami Shores, FL. He received a graduate certificate in College Teaching and Leadership and his doctorate in Educational Leadership- Higher Education track from the University of Central Florida (UCF). He is currently enrolled in the Business Administration-MBA program at UCF.