



## African-American Males Outreach Initiative



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### What Is The Concern?

We believe students are the heart of SPC, and we align resources, decisions, and efforts to empower them to succeed. Currently, while success rates continue to increase at SPC, a significant population of African-American males do not share in these successes. Here are just a few concerning statistics to consider:

- 28% of enrolled African-American males show a cumulative GPA below 2.0 as of spring 2019;
- 31% of enrolled African-American males fell out of good academic standing during fall 2018;
- 52% of attempts by African-American males to complete a college-level mathematics course were unsuccessful in fall 2018;
- 10% of African-American males withdrew from a college-level writing course in fall 2018 (6% above the average).



Together, we CAN close these achievement gaps. Read more [here](#) about how you can help and get more help.

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### What Can I Do?

Faculty can help all students, especially those in academic jeopardy, by providing consistent monitoring of student progress and administering regular feedback.

When faculty see students not making progress, using [Faculty Tools](#) and [SPARC](#) is a good first step for alerting students to their lack of progress. Additional help is also available depending the student's situation.

- If the student has life issues, you may also contact an [advisor](#). [Here's how.](#)
- If the student shows gaps in academic skills, you may also contact [Learning Resources](#). [Here's how.](#)



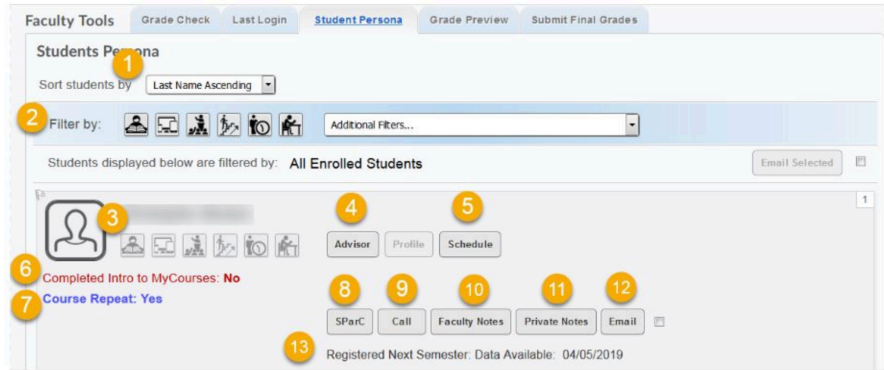
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## Using Faculty Tools to Contact Student Advisor

In MyCourses, faculty can see and contact the advisor to whom the student is assigned (not all students have an advisor assigned) with their concerns about a student's non-academic issues. Advisors, in turn, can help faculty with any knowledge they may have about the student, and they can also attempt to see how the College might be able to assist. In order to contact the advisor, faculty will want to use the dashboard found in Faculty Tools. In the image, below, you will see that the advisor can be found under the **Student Persona** tab, **Button #4**.



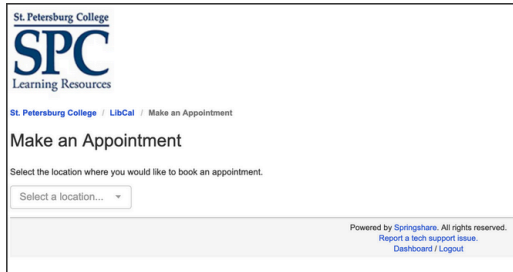
More information can be found at the Faculty Tools SPARC User Guide at <https://myresources.spcollege.edu/faculty-tools-sparc>

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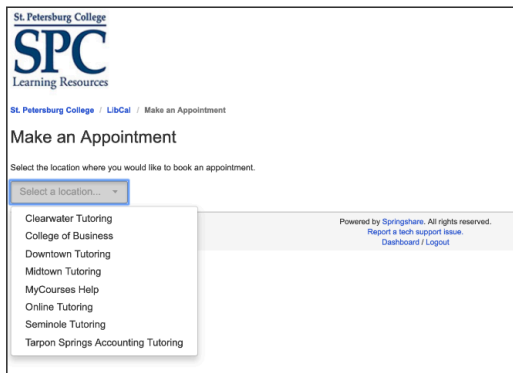
**Contacting Learning Resources**

Faculty can contact Learning Resources about students who need help with academic skills in one of three ways:

- Reach out to one of our campus directors or staff by using [this contact guide](#);
- Check the [master schedule](#) of all campuses and refer students to a subject-area specialist, or even better, walk the student over and introduce him or her to the specialist;
- Schedule an [appointment](#) with a specialist through our faculty requested appointment tool (see directions below). *Please notify the student when you make the appointment, however.*

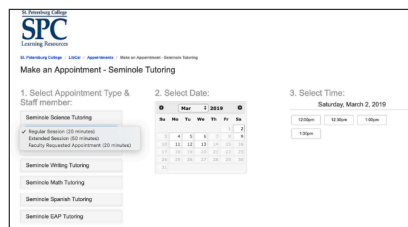


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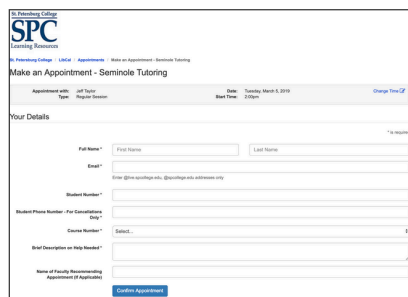


Choose a Subject, Length of Appointment, Tutor, Date, and Time:

\*\*\*Make sure to choose Faculty Requested Appointment\*\*\*



Fill in the Student information:




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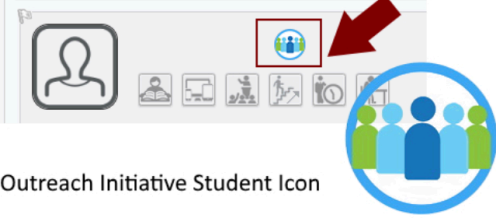
 

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Support Services for African-American Males

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