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WICHITA.EDU/SUCCESS
**First-Year Programs**

**Orientation**
Orientation is the first step in preparing students for their college career. Programs are designed specifically for freshmen, transfer students, adult learners, distance learners and graduate students. Information covered during Orientation helps students prepare for their first days and weeks as degree-seeking Shockers.

**Peer Mentoring**
All undergraduate freshmen are assigned to a Transition Mentor (TM) who will work with them during their Orientation program and throughout their first semester. TMs will contact their mentees weekly and host events for them. TMs are undergraduate students who have completed a semester-long leadership training class to train on how to be an effective mentor for new students. Transfer students have the option to be assigned a mentor.

**Social Events**
Each fall, we host Clash of the Colleges, Shocker Season Starter, Transition Tuesdays and the Grad Student Fall Party. Every semester, we host Pancakes and Pajamas and Finals Bootcamp. Students will find out about these events during Orientation and from their Transition Mentor. A list of all our events can be found on the university calendar and on our website, wichita.edu/success or wichita.edu/orientation.

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**Student Money Management**

The Office for Student Money Management (OSMM – pronounced “awesome”) provides FREE personal finance education – for students, by students. OSMM also manages a free interactive online resource, MyCollegeMoneyPlan.org.

OSMM can help you:
- create a financial survival plan for college
- access free tax-preparation software
- learn how to build credit and avoid identity theft
- graduate with a plan for repaying your student loans and personal debt

**MyCollegeMoneyPlan.org** helps you learn how to:
- choose the best college you can afford
- manage money in college and beyond
- make wise choices about how much to borrow to pay for college, and from what sources
- learn about resources for paying for college

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**Academic Success**

Free academic success services are available for undergraduate students, including tutoring, Supplemental Instruction, study skills assistance and success plans.

**Tutoring**
Free tutoring resources are available for undergraduate students and are found at wichita.edu/tutoring. Priority is given to requests for lower-division courses and those requests that are not met by existing resources.

**Supplemental Instruction (SI)**
SI is an international program developed to assist students with learning material in traditionally difficult classes. Sessions are led by a student who has previously succeeded in the course and focus on collaborative and active learning. Research has proven that students who participate in SI earn about half a letter grade better than those who do not. To find a list of courses supported by SI, visit wichita.edu/si.

**Study Skills Assistance**
Topics include identifying learning styles for academic success, note and test taking, textbook reading and more. Visit wichita.edu/studyskills to request a session for an organization or class.

**Success Plans**
Student Success Plans are designed to ensure that students have an individual plan for being a successful Shocker.

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**Military and Veteran Student Center**

All students with military experience - past or present - and military dependents are welcome to visit the Military and Veteran Student Center to ask questions, find resources or just unwind between classes.

The center features veteran staff members that are ready to answer questions and connect students with resources. The lounge area provides a place to study or hang out with other students. The computer area provides students with a place to work and access to free printing.

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