SUCCESS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

OVERVIEW

The Success Scholars Program exemplifies Lewis University’s mission by making college education accessible and attainable for students of all academic backgrounds. Success Scholars is a small academic community that provides first year students an opportunity to further their growth and development from high school in order to excel as college students. Success Scholars benefit from peer and staff mentors as well as the support and inspiration from other Success Scholars. The program begins in August during Welcome Week activities and spans the entire first year at Lewis.

Students are selected to join Success Scholars during the admission process to the university. Success Scholars present many diverse academic qualities and are chosen based on different factors within their application materials. Success Scholars typically have earned solid high school grades but might have other academic factors that could present challenges with their intended major.

Success Scholars will work in partnership with their staff mentor to achieve specific academic goals for the first year. Students must attend and actively participate in Success Scholars workshops and special programming throughout the entire freshman year, including the Success Scholars Cornerstone Seminar in Fall semester. In addition, Success Scholars will attend regular one-on-one meetings with an assigned staff and peer mentor.

* Students who meet the Success Scholars eligibility requirements are notified during the admission process. If a student was not notified during the admission process but is interested in becoming a Success Scholar, they should contact the Office of Admission. Space in the Success Scholars program is limited.

BENEFITS

- Retention data shows that participation in the Success Scholars Program significantly contributes to student persistence from freshman to sophomore year.
- Dedicated peer and professional staff mentors for the duration of the first-year and connection to the staff for remainder your Lewis experience.
- Opportunity to jump start your Lewis experience through Success Scholars Welcome Week workshops and programming.
- Access to Success Scholars section of the Cornerstone Seminar in the fall semester.
- Ongoing opportunities to develop and explore majors through Success Scholars programming during the spring semester.
- Become part of 40 year Lewis tradition, including a tight-knit community of current Success Scholars and hundreds of Success Scholar alumni.

CORNERSTONE SEMINAR

Fall Semester Required Course

The first semester of college is filled with change, challenge and growth. During the Cornerstone Seminar class, Success Scholars will explore their individual skills, abilities and interests. Students will also develop a sense of connection with Lewis University by getting acquainted with our Catholic & Lasallian mission, getting familiar with campus resources, and by connecting with one another. Success Scholars will also explore their major, career interests and vocation.
SUCCESS SCHOLARS EVENTS

Success Scholars Move-In and Kick-Off ......................... Sunday, August 14, 2022
Welcome Week Workshops & Programming ................... Monday-Friday, August 15-19, 2022
Fall Semester Weekly Meetings ........................................ September – December 2022
Halfway There Celebration ............................................. Week of October 17, 2022
Fall Final Exam Study Jams ............................................. Week of December 5, 2022  (Final Week of Classes)
Spring Semester Weekly Meetings & Workshops .......... January – April 2023
Spring Finals Weeks Study Jams ..................................... Week of April 24 2023
First Year, Check! Celebration ........................................ May 2023

QUESTIONS

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