About the Student Success Center (SSC)

- Convenient location in McDermott Library
- Over 200 Peer Leaders employed - students helping students
- All undergraduates are welcome
- Math, Chemistry, Rhetoric, Communication, and many other courses supported
- Drop-in labs, appointments, and group study options available
- Over 62,000 visits annually
- 55% of first-time in college students visit
- 25% of the entire undergraduate population use the SSC
SSC Peer Leaders

• 230 student staff members working an average of 12 hours/week
• 53% of our Peer Leaders are seniors and have worked with the SSC for at least 2 semesters
• Almost 20% of our Peer Leaders are from out of state!
• Top Majors of Peer Leaders
  • 17% Biology
  • 16% Neuroscience
  • 10% Business
  • …and Psychology, Literature, Computer Science, etc…
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PEER TUTORING (PT)
Drop-in tutoring for math & science courses

27% of all students enrolled in Organic Chemistry II visited Peer Tutoring this Spring!

87 students visited 2 or more times for Linear Algebra for a total of 829 visits.

Come early, come often! 3 of PT's busiest weeks are in the first month of the semester!
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Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL)
Cohort-style weekly study sessions (registration required)

27% of all students enrolled in General Chemistry utilized PLTL in Fall!

3 out of 4 participants continue to study and collaborate with their peers outside of scheduled sessions!

8:1 student to Peer Leader ratio in each session.
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Supplemental Instruction (SI)
Weekly review sessions with an emphasis on activity and group-based learning

- SI is the only program in the SSC that offers support for Accounting.
- Intro to Neuroscience is one of our most popular subjects. 135 students used SI for this class in Spring.
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Sessions are proven to help students understand course material better, often leading to higher grades.

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Writing Center
Support for any writing project, at any stage of the writing process

Personal statements for graduate and medical school are among the most popular projects in the Writing Center.

In ECS 3390 (Professional and Technical Communication), writing assignments make up over 50% of your grade!

Did you know that freshmen write an average of 92 pages during their first year of college?
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CommLab
Public speaking and class presentation support

According to a recent AAC&U survey*, effective communication is one of the top skills required to be successful in the workplace.

A communication course is required for graduation from UTD. The CommLab is the best place to practice!

*American Association of Colleges and Universities, 2021
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Academic Success Coaching (ASC)
Helping students implement success strategies

Top 3 concerns for students visiting ASC are falling behind in class, time management, and creating good study habits.

77% of students said that procrastination is the biggest barrier to their success at UTD.

Our Success Coaches are busiest at the start of the semester and right after midterms.

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ALEKS UP!

- Students who want to retake the ALEKS Math Placement can visit Peer Tutoring this summer.
- In some cases, retaking ALEKS Math Placement can reduce the number of courses you need to graduate.
- Drop-in and virtual appointments.
- Tutors guide students as they complete required modules.

Summer Success Camp

- August 13 or August 14
- Registration opens May 31.
- Full-day camp for incoming freshmen with options to attend sessions for math, general chemistry, college writing and more!
- Free for all students who register!
SSC Events

- Snacks with the SSC - back-to-school BINGO
- Bullet Journaling with ASC
- Vision Board Night
- Write Nite in the Writing Center
- Open Mic Poetry for National Poetry Month
- Pick Your Planner
- Game Night with the CommLab
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“My tutor today was absolutely incredible. I am able to do my homework and understand the material now. She is a great tutor and has made my day!”

“My tutor was very helpful. He was patient and explained everything to me step-by-step.”

“Academic Success Coaching is exactly what I’m looking for…an accountability partner.”
Why the Student Success Center is for you...

- Content mastery starts here for students pursuing graduate school and are preparing to take the LSAT, MCAT, GMAT, and GRE!
- Establish transferable planning, note-taking, and study skills that will make you a stronger student - now and later!
- Find like-minded scholars who want to study in groups with you.
- Come early and often! Students who make the SSC a part of their weekly schedule do better overall!
- The SSC offers amazing, flexible, on-campus jobs for students each semester.
- Higher grades give you the chance to apply for continuing scholarships and make sure you graduate ON TIME!
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