Center for Academic Resources and Enrichment Services

The Center for Academic Resources and Enrichment Services (CARES) is a division of the Office for Institutional Diversity. CARES's mission is to provide a comprehensive academic support system as well as enrichment services to aid in increasing the retention and graduation rates of underrepresented students. Programs and activities assist students in achieving academic excellence and adjusting to student life at the University of Kentucky.

Services provided by CARES include: Academic planning through academic progress sessions with a CARES counselor, free tutoring that includes individual tutoring and study groups, assistance with study skills through one-on-one meetings or workshops; and enrichment programs and activities designed to address specific topics at each grade level, i.e. the Critical First Year Program that focuses on topics that range from Understanding Faculty Expectations to Study Abroad Opportunities for first year students, Pathfinders Program that focuses on major exploration and career development for sophomores, and SOAR that focuses on professional and leadership development that enhances career preparedness for juniors and seniors. CARES also hosts the Freshman Summer Program, a six-week academic enrichment program for incoming first year students, and Peer Academic Coaching (PAC) for first year students who have a difficult first semester of college. A University computer lab is also housed at CARES.

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Disability Resource Center

Students with documented physical, learning, or temporary disabilities may receive assistance and support from this office.

The goal of the Disability Resource Center (DRC) is to provide equal access to students who are eligible. They advocate for reasonable accommodations, removal of barriers, and acceptance of different learning methods. In partnership with students, faculty, and staff, their purpose is to achieve an accessible educational environment where students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to fully participate in all aspects of the university community.

It is recommended that students contact the Disability Resource Center early to request specific assistance so that the required medical or psychological documentation can be reviewed and reasonable accommodations can be provided from the beginning of class work in order to achieve the greatest benefit to the student.
Students may register with the Disability Resource Center at any time by the following methods:

- Schedule a meeting to discuss documentation and accommodation needs;
- Bring in medical or psychological documentation to support your disability;
- Complete a registration form.

Many students register during their Summer Advising Conference before their freshman year. It is recommended that students register early. However, students are welcome to come in and register at any time.

Contact Information:

Disability Resource Center
Alumni Gym, Room 2,
Lexington, KY 40506
859) 257-2754
http://www.uky.edu/StudentAffairs/DisabilityResourceCenter/index.html

Campus Life

The Office of Student Affairs offers an array of activities, programs, services, and initiatives that enhance students’ educational experience. They provide a supportive learning environment, motivate students intellectually, and offer opportunities for personal and professional growth. They provide involvement outside the classroom walls and through the university community which enhances student development.

Student Affairs provides a variety of programs and services for both traditional and non-traditional students. See our Department Websites for more details.

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