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Education is not preparation for life;
education is life itself.

- John Dewey



Success Tips

Student Success Coaches help you to set goals, figure out what's working and what isn't, and connect you with resources on campus and in the community. Here are some student success tips to help you throughout your college journey.



1. Implement tools and strategies

- Check email and Blackboard frequently.
- Use a daily planner, electronic calendar and/or phone alerts.
- Work with your Student Success Coach to tailor a plan that works for you.
- Plan to spend 2 hours studying for every hour you spend in class.

2. Partner with students, faculty and staff

- Form study group sessions with your classmates.
- Utilize virtual meetings on Teams.
- Work together to help you think creatively and build strong communication skills.

3. Communicate with your instructor

- Reach out to your instructors if you are struggling.
- Office hours are the times that students should visit instructors.
- Don't assume your instructors won't help you—always ask.

4. Familiarize yourself with technology

- Enroll in eLearning Intro.
- Contact ITS Service Desk for support at 919-866-7000.

5. Connect with college resources

Wake Tech offers a wide range of free resources. Check out the list on page 8 for available resources.

Common Terms

Asynchronous Learning - Type of online education allowing students to learn on their own schedule.

Credit - Metric used to determine the intensity or length of a course.

Curriculum - Refers to the specific lessons and subjects students learn in a course.

FAFSA® - Free Application for Federal Student Aid, the FAFSA® is a document students must file each year to qualify for federal financial aid.

FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, it governs who can access students' educational records.

Financial Aid - Money students receive to help offset the cost of college. May be offered through government entity, college or private organization.

GPA - Grade point average refers to the numerical value of final grades. Usually calculated using a 4-point scale corresponding to grades A through F.

Hybrid - Class that combines face-to-face learning with online learning.

TLC - Tutoring and Learning Center offers a range of free tutoring services for students.

Office Hours - Scheduled times when students are able to meet with instructors.

Pell Grant - Designed to assist students from low-income households, largest federal grant program

Prerequisites - Classes that the college expects students to have taken prior to enrollment.

Program Planning Guide (PPG) - Courses required for specific degrees, diplomas or certificates.

Registrar - Head of the college's record-keeping department.

Synchronous Learning - Students and instructors interact in real time.

Syllabus - Document instructors provide at the beginning of a course providing an overview of requirements, assignments, tests and other necessary information.

Transcript - Displays overview of a student's academic progress and grades.

Work-Study - Provides part-time employment for students with financial need. Apply via Financial Aid Office.

Get Connected

Why Get Involved?

Getting involved at college can help ease the transition from high school to college. Involved students are more likely to graduate, report higher levels of satisfaction with their college experience and feel more connected. Here are some additional benefits of getting involved in college:

- Make friends
- Find leadership opportunities
- Build your resume
- Learn time management
- Reduce stress
- Discover new interests
- Improve grades and outcomes

Student Success Peer Leader

Student Success Peer Leaders understand the challenges of college life and are here to provide guidance, share wisdom and experiences, and support students through their college journey.

Students may request to be connected to a Peer Leader via the Student Success Coach website.

Student Life

Enrich your college experience by getting involved. Wake Tech offers student activities for a variety of interests.

- Join a club
- Volunteer
- Participate in an event
- Serve in the Student Government
- Play a sport
- Become a Student Ambassador



Roadmap to Success

To achieve college and career success, it is important to set personal goals and then develop a road map to achieve them. Below are three steps for academic and/or personal goals you can use as a starting point on your academic journey. You can reach out to your Student Success Coach this semester to develop a personalized plan for success, based on your specific goals, objectives and challenges.



GOAL #1: Achieve passing grades in my classess

- Check in with your professor during office hours.
- Set up weekly or bi-weekly appointments at the Tutoring and Learning Center (TLC).
- Create a study plan for each topic you are reviewing in class.

GOAL #2: Develop better study skills

- Study for 30 minutes; take a 10 minute break to get some fresh air and stretch; go back and study for another 30 minutes.
- Remove as many distractions as you can when you study.

GOAL #3: Become knowledgeable of resources

- Visit the Care Center to view all resources they have to offer, including Wellness Services and student support.
- Need to speak with a counselor immediately or outside of business hours? Contact the We Care student assistance program 24/7 at 800-633-3353 for free, confidential counseling and consultation.
- Visit the library to view all resources they have to offer.
- Connect with your Success Coach if there is something you cannot find.

Need help navigating this roadmap? Reach out to your Success Coach today!

Resources

Academic Advising: Customizes an education plan for each student's career goals.
919-866-5474 | advising@waketech.edu

Care Center: Provides one stop for wraparound support to achieve your academic goals.
919-866-6111 | care@waketech.edu

Career Services: Helps clarify a career goal or a program of study and explore next steps in a career plan.
919-866-5695 | careers@waketech.edu

Disability Support Services (DSS): Provides accommodations for documented physical, psychological or learning disabilities. Be sure to connect with DSS if you had accommodations in high school.
919-866-5670 | dss@waketech.edu

ITS Service Desk and Answer Center: Assistance with the student portal, Key Account and password, Blackboard or other technical issues.
ITS: 919-866-7000 | helpdesk@waketech.edu
Answer Center: 919-866-5000 | answers@waketech.edu

Registration and Records: Learn about priority registration; drop, add and withdrawal dates; and ordering transcripts.
919-866-5700 | registrar@waketech.edu

Student Success Coaches: Help you create success plans (strategies and tips) for navigating the semester.
successcoach@waketech.edu

Tutoring and Learning Center (TLC): Free tutoring services.
919-866-6880 | tutoring@waketech.edu

Veterans Services: Informs of educational benefits, resources and special programs.
919-866-5099 | veterans@waketech.edu

We Care: 24/7 mental health support, legal and financial consultation.
704-529-1428 or 800-633-3353

To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741.
To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 855-733-7762.



Care Teams

Advising, Student Success Coaches and Career Coaches

Care Teams provide each student with an assigned team of advisors, a Success Coach and a Career Coach.

Academic/Faculty Advisor

- Register for classes
- Plan your program of study
- Make program changes

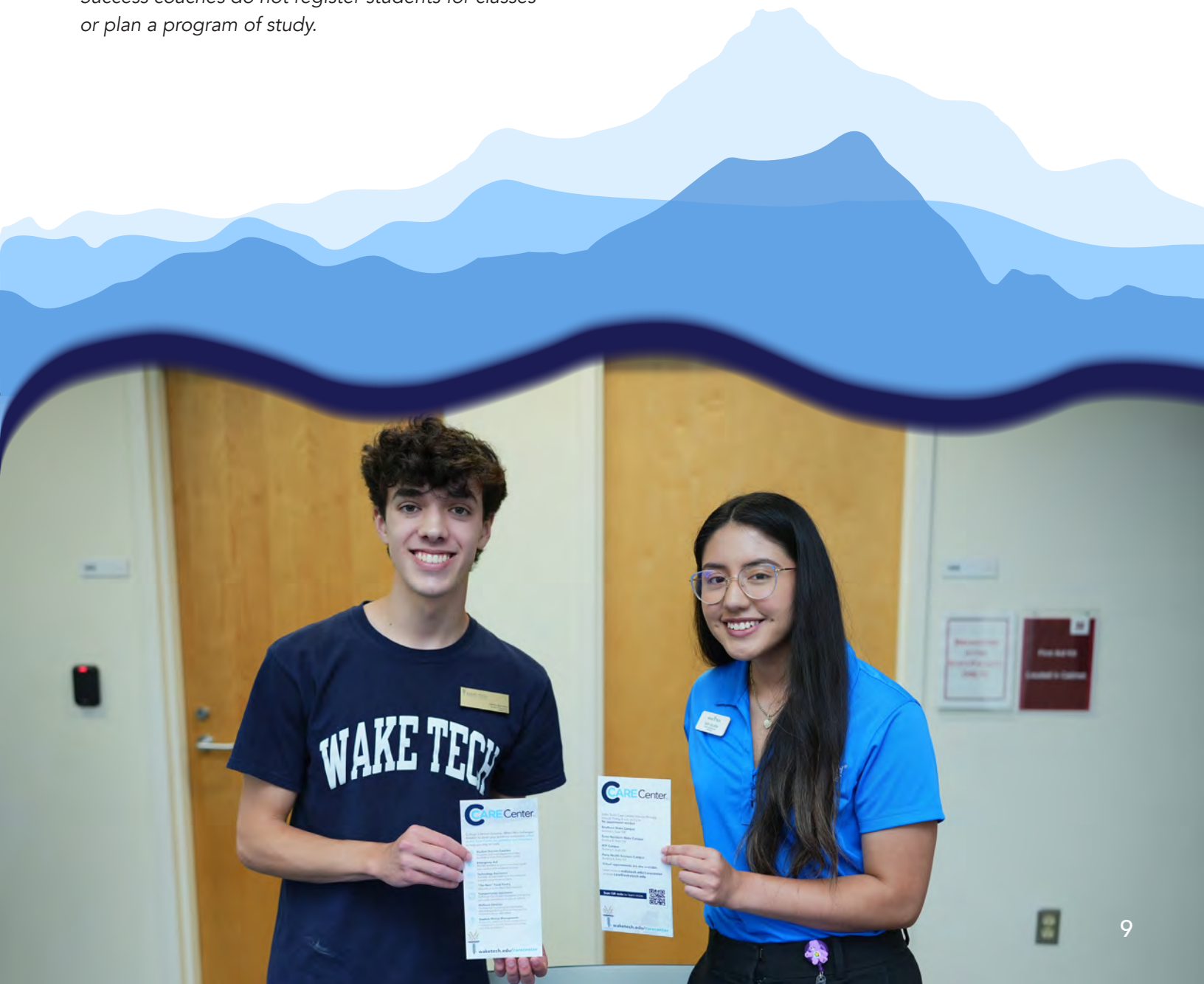
Student Success Coach

- Self-assessment
- Identify academic, personal and career goals
- Connect you with campus resources

Success coaches do not register students for classes or plan a program of study.

Career Coach

- Career exploration
- Resume and cover letter writing
- Interview skill-building
- LinkedIn assistance
- Job search strategies



Leadership Team



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Meet Our Success Coaches



ALAN ALLEYNE

Public Safety, Transportation and Veterans Care Teams

Public Safety: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Technology - Forensic Science, Emergency Medical Science and Public Safety Administration.

Transportation: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Agricultural Systems Technology, Automotive Systems Technology, Collision Repair & Refinishing Technology, Construction Equipment Systems Technology and Diesel & Heavy Equipment Technology.

Veterans: Supports military-connected students, including veterans, spouses of veterans or dependents of veterans.



SHERRIA ARDS

Communication, Social Sciences, Art & Humanities Care Team

Students enrolled in the Associate in Arts and Associate in Fine Arts degree programs who plan to transfer to a four-year school to pursue a major in the areas of communication, social sciences, art or humanities. Also Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Social & Human Services.



BRIANNA CLARK

Business Care Team

Students in the Associate in Arts program who are planning on transferring to a four-year institution to major in a business-related field. Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Accounting & Finance, Business Administration, Medical Office Administration, Paralegal Technology and Supply Chain Management.



SARAH DOMINGUEZ

Education and Hospitality & Personal Services Care Teams

Education: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Career Track, Early Childhood Education Non-Licensure Track and Birth-Kindergarten Licensure Track programs.

Hospitality & Personal Services: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Baking & Pastry Arts, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management.



MICHAEL EURE

Advanced Manufacturing and Biotechnology, Construction & Maintenance Care Teams

Advanced Manufacturing: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Electronics Engineering Technology and Mechanical Engineering Technology programs.

Construction & Maintenance: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Technology; Architectural Technology; Building Automation Technology; Civil Engineering Technology; Construction Management Technology; Electrical Systems Technology; Facility Maintenance Technology; Geomatics Technology; Interior Design; Plumbing; and Welding Technology.

Biotechnology: Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Biotechnology programs.



SUSAN MARTIN

Healthcare & Wellness Care Team

Students enrolled in Computed Tomography, Dental Assisting, Dental Hygiene, Neurodiagnostic Technology, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Mammography, Medical Assisting, Medical Laboratory Technology, Nursing, Pharmacy Technology, Radiography and Sonography.



DAVYOUS MELVIN

Information Technology Care Team

University transfer students interested in IT and Associate in Applied Sciences degree students enrolled in Business Analytics, Cybersecurity, Data Science & Programming, Network & Cloud Administration, Simulation & Game Development, Software Development, Graphic Design and Web & UX Design.



ASHLEY WHEELER

Math & Science Care Team

Students pursuing an Associate in Science degree who plan to transfer to complete a bachelor's degree in biology, chemistry, math, environmental science or pre-professional programs like pharmacy or veterinary medicine. Also Associate in Applied Science degree students enrolled in Health & Fitness Science.



ERICA WISE

Engineering Care Team

Students pursuing an Associate in Engineering degree who plan to transfer to a four-year university. Associate in Applied Science degree students in the Civil Engineering Technology, Electronics Engineering Technology, Geomatics Technology, Mechanical Engineering Technology and Mechatronics programs.

Care Center Locations

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Southern Wake Campus

Building L, Suite 128



Eastern Wake Campus

Building C, Suite 135



Scott Northern Wake Campus

Building B, Suite 134



Beltline Education Center

Room 220B



RTP Campus

Building 1, Suite 101



Western Wake Campus

Room 254



Perry Health Sciences Campus

Building A, Suite 157



Public Safety Education Campus

Room 1611