Undergraduate Success Scholars

In 2014, the Office of Undergraduate Education created the Undergraduate Success Scholars (USS) program to provide formal guided pathways for select underrepresented minority undergraduates. The program structure addresses the needs of each incoming cohort by building upon each academic year in a manner that facilitates achievement of academic goals and personal development. Participants in the USS program have the opportunity to attend individual meetings, exclusive cohort events (networking, informational sessions, and workshops), and campus-wide activities. The USS program team continuously assesses the skills and academic progress of participants in order to make informed decisions about referrals to on campus resources. Each year, Undergraduate Success Scholars create personalized success plans, receive mentorship, participate in cultural experiences, and contribute to the campus and external community through service.

The deadline to accept your Fall 2018 invitation has passed. Fall 2019 invitations will become available May 1, 2019.

Mission

The Undergraduate Success Scholars (USS) program mission is to serve underrepresented minority (URM) students with engagement opportunities, academic support, mentorship, and guidance to meet both personal and professional goals. The Undergraduate Success Scholars program aims to increase URM student enrollment, success, and retention.

Selection and Acceptance Process

The application to the university serves as the USS application. Eligible candidates are underrepresented minority, first time in college freshmen who are degree seeking undergraduates. Interested students must apply and gain admission to UT Dallas by the regular application deadline. Students selected for the USS program, must accept membership by the deadline stated in your invitation.

Participant Expectations

Students who accept an invitation to participate in the USS program are required to meet specific program and academic expectations. All participants commit to the following expectations:

- Attend the mandatory USS retreat at the beginning of the Fall semester.
• Participate in at least one USS event each semester.
• Meet with the Office of Undergraduate Education once per semester.
• If enrolled in a course supported by Peer-Led Team Learning or Supplemental Instruction, participate in those resources.

Workshop registration for Fall 2018 will open on August 18, 2018.

Click here to submit the USS Workshops RSVP Form

Program Endorsements

"My success coaching meeting was great! When I met with my mentor, he advised me how to study more efficiently - especially in classes in which I was struggling."
– Cohort 1 Member

"I thought the Scholars Reception was awesome, it was nice knowing so many people actually cared about my success. It honestly made me feel like I could depend on them when I am seeking advice."
– Cohort 1 Member

"I am so thankful for what USS has done, and for showing that advisors care about me! Words can't express how grateful I am!"
– Cohort 1 Member

Contact

If you have questions about the Undergraduate Success Scholars Program or want to learn more, email US.