

"Our mission is to attract, recruit, admit, support, and graduate a talented and diverse student body equipped with the necessary academic skills, socio-cultural competencies, and learning experiences necessary to be a productive member of a global society."



Student Access & Success

Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Equity

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Our office provides programming and resources that supports the F1RST+ community of students (first generation and/or low-income college students and students from underrepresented minority groups).

Our Programs

LUSI consists of a summer pre-orientation, followed by year long specialized programming, that focuses on academic success, career development, leadership training opportunities, internship support, study abroad/global experiences, and financial wellness. The program emphasizes building a strong and diverse social network among the entire Lehigh Community!

High-Impact Experience Opportunity Fellowships

The High-Impact Experience Opportunity Fellowship is a wage replacement program that allows qualified students to receive a paycheck while participating in high-impact learning experiences such as:

- Study Abroad
- Internships
- Research
- Community Service

...and more!

Students may also be compensated for any non-reimbursed expenses associated with the high-impact learning experience (e.g., room and board costs).



Passport to Success—a yearlong program partnership with the Office of International Affairs designed to provide structured support for first year students to explore and engage in a variety of High Impact Learning Experiences in the areas of: Study Abroad, Service Learning, Research, Leadership, and Internships. Students participating in Passport to Success receive:



- Bi-weekly informative luncheons
- Funding to cover cost of acquiring or renewing their passports
- Three day trip to Montreal

FIRST: A student led organization that focuses on promoting an inclusive community for first generation college students.

1st Generation Fan Club: An initiative designed to increase visibility of faculty/staff that are eager to build and strengthen relationships with first Generation college students.

Mentor Collective at Lehigh: The Mentor Collective at Lehigh is a peer mentorship program designed to help first year students make the most of their college experience. Students are purposefully matched with a trained mentor (junior or senior) who shares their interests and background and can assist mentees in setting and building a goal-based plan for success.