

# Dear future students, welcome to college!

Here are some things we think might be helpful for you to know:

- Reach out to people - they're helpful!
- Stay motivated! Giving up is easy, but we're paying a lot to be here :)
- Go to bed early or on time!
- Calendars/Planners help you keep organized and keep track of homework
- Going to class actually matters, it's way more work trying to catch up later
- Take things one step at a time.
- ASS.U.ME: making an ASS out of U and ME
  - Professors are most often pretty nice, assuming they're mean just makes things stressful

## What do you wish last year's students had told you?

- Invest in a good computer and headphones
- If you are going to be taking a computing class get a mouse.
- Always trust the advisors and the professors as they are here to help.
- No 8am classes! It's not necessary
- When signing up for classes, know that classes without meeting times or classrooms (or if it says it's asynchronous), there's not going to be a professor teaching, you'll be mostly on your own to complete assignments and manage your time.
- Midterms aren't as scary as they're made up to be, especially in intro classes

## Things that have worked for you so far this semester

- Find a note taking style that works changes the whole game
- If there are hybrid options during the future semesters, go in person, it helps way more than you would think.

## Things you wish you'd done differently

- I wish I looked at who the professor was before picking my classes as professors make a huge difference
- Wait to buy supplies - you might not need everything you think you will need.
- Get more erasers and paper than you think you would need.

## Resources you discovered

- Google
- Grammarly
- Easy Bib
- Google Doc add ons
- Rate my professor - I used this when I was signing up for classes, and it helped me find professors that matched my learning style and past students had liked
- The calendar function on Canvas is really useful for keeping track of assignments