

## OUR MISSION

The University College supports students as they **explore** undergraduate curriculum and career paths, **prepare** to declare an appropriate major, and **succeed** in their transition to UNCW. The University College (UC) serves several student populations to include freshmen, select transfer, early college, military student, first-year spring admit and pre-professional students at UNCW.

## OUR GOALS

- Provide advising services that empower students to make informed academic choices related to both major and course selections as well as academic and administrative policies
- Deliver academic courses designed to foster student development, academic inquiry and successful transitions into our university
- Administer programs that incorporate high-impact practices to support retention, persistence and student success
- Collaborate with students, faculty and staff across campus to build a campus community focused on student success

## CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

**First-Year Seminar:** First-Year Seminar (UNI 101) is a mandatory three credit University Studies requirement designed to assist students in their transition to the university environment.

**Transfer Seminar:** Transfer students can take a three credit transfer seminar (UNI 201) to support their transition into UNCW.

**Learning Communities:** Learning communities are structured academic experiences in which a small group of first-semester students share common classes and activities related to an academic or personal interest. Some learning communities are connected to residence halls and are called living-learning communities.

## SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

**Academic Advising:** University College has full-time professional advisors and faculty advisors who support students until they declare their major and matriculate in to their new academic department.

**Special Populations Advising:** Advising services and programs are designed to support identified transfer students, undecided or exploratory students, military students, first-year spring admits, early college students, and pre-professional students who are interested in health sciences or law.

**University College** coordinates programs and events that support student transitions. Students who are exploring their major or career interests can attend a major fair or participate in our consultation program. Pre-professional students can engage in learning communities, courses and programs that are designed to assist them with applying to graduate or professional school.