

First-Year Experience

The college is committed to making sure that each student succeeds and wants their college experience to be rewarding. First-year students are encouraged to take advantage of the wonderful resources that Craven CC provides to ensure they are successful as college students. The First-Year Experience offers:

- New Student Orientation Sessions (on campus and online.)
- ACA College Student Success Courses (ACA 111 and ACA 122)
- Peer mentors in ACA classes and the advising center
- First-Year Advising
- Student Success Workshops
- First-Year Events to promote student engagement

Philosophy of the First Year

Craven Community College believes the first-year experience is critical to the academic success and personal growth of our students as it is the foundation upon which future educational endeavors are built. Craven is committed to creating a comprehensive first-year experience program that integrates students into the college community as engaged learners and participants in campus life and facilitates their transition to college.

To reach this goal, we are committed to creating:

- A welcoming environment both in and outside of the classroom that is sensitive to individual needs, backgrounds, and experiences of all first-year students.
- Connections across campus and points of contact for students with faculty, staff, and experienced students.
- A vibrant student-learning community that challenges and inspires students to actively engage in learning, achieve their maximum potential, and become independent, life-long learners.

The college recognizes this commitment obligates all members of the Craven community to cooperatively and intentionally structure their programs, activities, and services to promote first-year success.

