

The Center for Student Excellence

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The mission of the Center for Student Excellence is to work in partnership with the University academic departments and surrounding community to assist students in becoming active, responsible, and successful learners. The Center is committed to creating an environment which fosters student development and retention.

To fulfill this mission, the Center for Student Excellence provides specific programming and resources that encourage students to develop the skills and strategies that enhance academic achievement, personal, and professional growth. Resources include career exploration and academic planning for students who need information for making life-impacting decisions. Academic advising for success in college is available for all beginning students, or those with less than 30 credit hours. The Center also coordinates the delivery of Southeastern (SE) 101, the University's required academic success course for beginning freshmen.

Students withdrawing from ENGL 92, MATH 92, or SE 101 must obtain the signature of their instructor and their Center for Student Excellence academic advisor (if applicable), along with the department head of their major.

Learning Assistance programs available to all Southeastern students include tutoring, Supplemental Instruction (SI), and topic-specific workshops and seminars. Qualified peer tutors provide one-on-one and small group tutoring, with emphasis placed on the student's responsibility to actively engage in the learning process. SI targets historically difficult courses and guides students in developing field specific critical thinking skills.