



University College

The purpose of University College is to help students successfully transition to the University of Oklahoma by establishing a space of belonging, a place for flourishing, and a foundation for further academic success. Founded in 1942, University College was one of the first academic units in the United States to focus on meeting the unique needs of first-year students.

BY THE NUMBERS

1:1

academic advising

10+

professors serve as faculty mentors to incoming students exclusively through University College

90+

subjects covered in our UC Action Tutoring Program

“Being in Foundations was really key to my freshman journey. As an incoming freshman, campus life was more than a little daunting. I didn’t know where to start or how to properly manage all my activities and school work. I’m thankful to have had Foundations, the instructor, and my TA all there to help me. Because of them I have learned many invaluable life skills that will carry me through the next four years and ultimately the rest of my life. I believe there is a great importance and responsibility in preparing the freshmen, and Foundations fulfills that. That is why I decided to become a Foundations TA myself – so that I could also help other incoming freshmen and give back those invaluable skills.”

– Prisca Mbainayel
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THINGS TO KNOW

- 1** Academic counselors with knowledge of all majors help guide students on their chosen academic paths and recommend courses suitable for undecided students to explore.
- 2** Major exploration coaching helps students find majors that match their skills, interests, values, and career plans. UC offers two courses for more in-depth exploration of majors and careers.
- 3** The Foundations for College Learning (formerly Gateway to College Learning) course is designed specifically to address the needs of first-year students as they make the transition from high school to college. First-year students connect to each other and the larger OU community through small classes, intentional curriculum, and guidance from a caring instructor and peer teaching assistant.
- 4** UC Action Tutoring provides academic assistance outside of the classroom through course faculty and peer-led tutoring, review sessions, and study skills development.
- 5** UC provides first-year student leadership opportunities, awards, and scholarships.
- 6** The First-Year Student Mentoring Program provides incoming students an opportunity to establish relationships with faculty and other students, explore new opportunities, and expand understanding of other cultures.
- 7** Lissa & Cy Wagner Hall is a beautiful facility for students and features state-of-the-art technology, study spaces, a welcoming atmosphere, and other student support services, such as the Writing Center and Project Threshold.

