CENTER FOR COLLEGE STUDENT SUCCESS

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Center Overview

Founded in 2015, the Center for College Student Success (CCSS) empowers first-generation and lower-income (FLI) students in the College by providing resources and tools to further student success, and programming and community events that reinforce positive self-identity and a sense of belonging. The CCSS is located in Harper Memorial Library, West Tower, suite 406.

FLI: first-generation (neither of your parents/guardians completed a 4-year degree in the US) and/or low-income (from a low-income background, includes Pell Grant recipients or families with income less than $125k/year) - students can self-identify as FLI!

Connecting to the CCSS

Please visit our website (ccss.uchicago.edu), subscribe to our newsletter, and/or visit our social media (@uchicagoccss) for the latest updates on our events and engagement opportunities.

Students can make appointments with CCSS staff using the link on the CCSS website or by sending an email to ccss@uchicago.edu.

Resources

- **FLIbrary**
- **Laptop Lending Program**
- **Food Security Resources**
- **Free Printing Station**

Support

Ongoing opportunities:
- **One-on-one meetings with CCSS Staff**
- **CCSS Community Study Breaks**
- **FLI Celebration Events**
- **FLI Graduation**
- **FLI Community Events**
- **First Year Transition Seminars**

Annual application-based opportunities:
- **Maroon Mentors:** First-year students are mentored by upperclassmen to help with their transition to UChicago
- **Student Coordinators**: Paid positions to work in the Center, plan CCSS events, and serve as ambassadors to the student community

Workshops

Find out more about CCSS sponsored workshops and events by signing up for our email newsletter and following CCSS on social media. Examples of past workshops and events include:

- Discussions on self-care, the first-gen experience, imposter syndrome
- Financial literacy and budgeting for study abroad, living off campus, understanding taxes

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