

# WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

## LYON COLLEGE

- **Small average class size**
- **“Everyone knows everyone else”**
- **Demanding**
- **Excellent opportunity to succeed**
- **Scottish Heritage**
- **COR 100 Program**



# How To Succeed

## Plan To Succeed from the Start

- **Show up for class.**
- **Complete all assignments.**
- **Have work done on time.**
- **Do your homework.**
- **Set up a daily schedule.**
- **Do your homework.**
- **Limit your work week.**
- **DO YOUR HOMEWORK**



## Take Charge of Learning

- **Assess how you learn best.**
- **Improve reading, note-taking and study habits.**
- **Develop critical thinking skills.**
- **Improve your writing.**



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Active Learning

- **Participate in class.**
- **Practice giving presentations.**
- **Learn how to remember more from every class.**
- **Learn from criticism.**
- **LEARN HOW TO STUDY**
- **Get to know the campus library.**
- **Do your homework**



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Get Connected

- **Study with a group. (if this helps....)**
- **Get to know one person who cares about you.**
- **Get involved in campus activities.**
- **Learn about campus helping resources.**
- **Meet with your instructors.**
- **Visit your academic advisor.**
- **Get to know your student mentor**



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Know Yourself

- **Take your health seriously.**
- **Exercise every day**
- **Have realistic expectations.**
- **Learn how to be assertive, yet tactful.**
- **Find something you're good at doing**
- **Determine which subjects you're most interested in**



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## First-Year Questions of Freedom and Commitment: Common Concerns

**“Will I be able to handle this  
freedom?”**

**“Maybe college will be too difficult for me.”**

*“Will I like my roommate?”*

**“What if I don’t pick the right major?”**

**“Maybe I’m the only one feeling like this.”**



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Student Organizations

Alpha Chi  
Alpha Xi Delta  
American Chemical Society  
Amnesty International  
Baptist Collegiate Ministry  
Business Law Club  
Black Student Association  
Catholic Campus Ministries  
Chi Beta Phi  
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Tau Kappa Epsilon  
Wesley Fellowship  
X-Treme Adventure Squad  
Yearbook  
Young Democrats  
Zeta Beta Tau

Club Carnival will be 4:30-6:00 Monday August 20



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Those Who Start and Those Who Finish

### *The good news...*

- Today more than 60% of high school students go to college.

### *The bad news...*

- 40% of students enrolling in 4-year colleges never finish their degrees.
- In two-year colleges, half or more of the entering class will drop out by the end of the first year.



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Liberal Arts Education

*Studies suggest that liberal arts college graduates:*

- are more likely to be able to understand a variety of viewpoints and be able to relate to a wider variety of people
- are more interested in political and public affairs.
- are better consumers, save more money and make better investments.
- are more able to deal with bureaucracies, the legal system, tax laws and advertising claims.



# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

## Setting Goals for Success

- 1. Select a goal.**
- 2. Be sure that goal is achievable.**
- 3. Be certain you want to achieve the goal.**
- 4. Know why the goal matters.**
- 5. Identify and plan for potential difficulties.**
- 6. Devise strategies for achieving the goal.**

**Good Luck!**



## Matriculation

- Matriculate: To admit or be admitted into a group, especially a college or university
  
- Matriculation: the process of matriculating



# Matriculation Convocation

## This Evening

- Please be at Alphin Building at 7:00 PM. The ceremony is at 7:30.
- Wear “church clothes”
- Students will be lined up in alphabetical order with upperclass students serving as row leaders.



# Matriculation Convocation

## This Evening

- **Process into the chapel and sit in the center section.**
- **After welcomes, an anthem, and the address, students will be called forward to sign a class banner.**
- **This will be followed by a prayer and singing of the alma mater.**
- **Process out following the alma mater.**

