Making the Connection: Tips for Faculty to Help Connect Students with the AEC

The mission of the Academic Enhancement Center is to help students invest in their academic success. Our learning support programs and services empower students to become more skillful and successful. We are committed to responding to student needs, collaborating with faculty and providing professional development for our student staff with the goal of enhancing student learning.

We hope the following suggestions are helpful when encouraging your students to take advantage of the AEC’s STEM & Business Tutoring, Undergraduate Writing Center, and Academic Skills Programs.

Encourage students to regularly use appointment based STEM & BUS tutoring
- Students can book their own weekly tutoring group through the TracCloud app, part of their Microsoft 365 account.
- The receptionists located in Roosevelt Hall (fourth floor) and the Drop-In Center can assist students with signing up for group tutoring.

Encourage students to use our Drop-In Center for STEM & BUS tutoring
- Our Drop-In Center is located in the lower level of the Carothers Library in room LL4 and is open Mondays-Thursdays from 1-7pm. Students are encouraged to visit as much as they would like and they do NOT need an appointment to use drop-in tutoring!
- The full drop-in schedule can be found at uri.edu/aec/tutoring.

Visit the AEC or arrange a class visit from staff
- Faculty are always welcome to reach out to us, learn more about what we do, and to help make sure that the learning support we provide is aligned with their courses’ learning objectives and expectations. Feel free to complete our course visit form or contact our professional staff with questions.

Refer students to the Writing Center for help with any undergraduate writing assignment
- Writing center consultants are trained to help with all stages of the writing process, including the initial brainstorming stage.
- More details about the maximizing writing center appointment can be found here.
- Students can plan their appointments in advance by logging into WCONline with their SSO through https://myapps.microsoft.com/ or uri.mywconline.com.

Refer students to an academic skills consultation
- Our individual academic skills consultations help students to assess their academic challenges and offer strategies aimed at improving academic performance.
- Common topics include time and work management, study skills, motivation, focus and distraction, and procrastination.
- Appointments with peer consultants can be booked in TracCloud, appointments with Dr. Hayes can be made in Starfish.

Refer students individually
- Refer students by reaching out to us directly or encouraging them to make contact with the AEC when you submit a Starfish flag.