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Academic Success

Introduction

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"We are truly excited to have you as a UTC parent or family member! College is a period of transition for both you and your student and we realize it's important to know that your student is on the right path to academic success. While success may look slightly different for each student, the goal of graduation is the ultimate measure of success for all. Students often depend on the support of friends and family while on their college journey. With that in mind, please know that UTC faculty and staff are a further extension of that support.

UTC works hard to provide our students with access to academic support resources that will enhance their ability to learn and achieve their academic goals. Your student may inevitably encounter an academic challenge during this time of their life. We hope that every student openly shares those difficulties with you and/or with an academic support program on campus. We hope that this resource guide will empower you with the academic support information that you need to bridge the gap between being a caring family member and being an informed promoter of academic success resources at UTC."

Center for Academic Success and Advisement

<u>utc.edu/casa</u>

The Center for Academic Success and Advisement (CASA) provides everything a student needs to succeed academically at UTC. Academic advisors offer guidance and support and connect students to campus reswources. Whether your student needs help deciding on a major or is unsure about what classes they need to graduate, someone can help at CASA. The center also provides academic coaching, supplemental instruction and tutoring.

Disability Resources Center

utc.edu/disability-resource-center

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) provides leadership in ensuring equal access to all facilities, programs and services of UTC. Reasonable accommodations for students are made through an interactive and deliberative process based on the functional limitations of the disability. The staff also leads the campus in discussions about facility access, future building and growth of the campus, equal access in virtual classrooms, programmatic accessibility and other areas.

Academic Integrity

utc.edu/enrollment-management-and-student-affairs/ student-conduct/honor-code

The UTC Honor Code prohibits students from giving or receiving any unauthorized assistance with academic work or engage in any academic dishonesty to gain an academic advantage. This includes, but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, falsification, fabrication, or misrepresentations, use of unauthorized materials, use of unauthorized assistance, gaining unfair advantage, causing unfair disadvantage or attempting or assisting a violation.

Library

utc.edu/library

The UTC Library is the academic and intellectual heart of the campus. Here, students will find professional librarians and staff to help with research, great study spaces and access to a large collection of scholarly resources and materials. The library features state-of-the-art services such as a full-service multimedia studio, the Writing and Communication Center and the largest computer lab on campus.

| FERPA

utc.edu/registrar

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) gives students control over who has access to their educational information. The designation can apply to records maintained by the bursar, financial aid, registrar, student development offices and faculty teaching the student's courses. Students who wish to grant access to their educational records can designate those individuals through a process called MyMocPass, managed by the Office of the University Registrar.

How your student registers for classes

After meeting with their advisor to discuss their plans for the upcoming semester, students will register for classes online through MyMocsNet. Once they log in, your students navigates to the Academics tab and selects My Profile to see their registration eligibility. From there, your students clicks on Register, Add or Drop Classes link. Students can search classes by subject, course number and more criteria. When a student adds a class to their schedule, the display will read "pending." When they're finished adding all their courses, they click submit and the status of their classes will change from "pending" to "registered."

MyMocsDegree

MyMocsDegree is an online tool to help students and advisors monitor progress toward degree completion. It combines degree requirements and completed coursework in an easy-to-read format. Students can view MyMocsDegree by logging in to their MyMocsNet account.



Conversation Starters

What classes are you most excited about? What do you hope to learn this semester?

Talk more about learning and exploration rather than grades and GPA. Take a vested interest in what your student is studying.

