

**CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS**  
**AND**  
**ALICE F. RANDALL WRITING CENTER**

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The Center for Academic Success and Alice F. Randall Writing Center are designed to support students academically. Staff members provide direct assistance, as well as guidance regarding other campus resources.

Staff in the Center for Academic Success manage an Early Intervention System to identify and support students who are struggling. The goal is to help students perform well and stay on track for a timely graduation. Students meet with a member of the staff to form a Plan of Action that addresses specific individual needs. Students may be paired with a University Fellow for Student Success who will guide them to enhance their academic and social performance.

The Center for Academic Success and the Alice F. Randall Writing Center also are staffed by trained peer tutors who provide free assistance in writing, mathematics, biology, chemistry, physics, economics, languages, and other areas of the liberal learning curriculum. Peer writing consultants provide assistance at any stage of the writing process, from idea development to polishing a final draft. Free tutorial assistance in the Center is available to currently enrolled CNU students. Tutoring in some areas occurs at regularly scheduled times, whereas tutoring in other topics occurs by appointment. Students may call (757) 594-7684, email [tutors@cnu.edu](mailto:tutors@cnu.edu) or stop by to schedule an appointment with a peer tutor or a writing center consultant.

Additional services available include workshops and individual assistance on such topics as time management, test taking skills, effective strategies for reading text, and general study skills. A full description of the Center's services is available at <http://tutors.cnu.edu>.

The University Writing Program empowers CNU students to continue perfecting their writing. By providing training, resources, and events, the program helps students develop and refine their ideas and deliberately use language to articulate and construct their thoughts.

The program, consisting of ENGL 123 First-Year Writing Seminar; ENGL 223 Second-Year Writing Seminar: Literature, Research, and Writing; and Writing Intensive courses in the disciplines, helps students learn vital processes and strategies necessary to craft sophisticated written products for defined audiences, communicate by subject-specific concepts and discourse to articulate a clear purpose, and transfer knowledge gained from classes in the liberal learning core to those in the major.

**FELLOWSHIPS AND**  
**PRESTIGIOUS SCHOLARSHIPS**

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The Coordinator of Fellowships helps students to identify and apply for prestigious scholarships and fellowships for research and study opportunities. Prestigious scholarships or fellowships are highly competitive monetary awards granted to limited numbers of highly qualified candidates. These types of awards are based on a variety of criteria, such as overall academic achievement, outstanding achievement in the academic major, participation in community service, leadership initiatives, demonstrated financial need or a combination of these and other criteria specific to each award. In general, candidates applying for prestigious scholarships or fellowships should be students who excel academically and who demonstrate leadership and commitment to the CNU community and the community at large. Students of all majors should consider prestigious scholarships or fellowships, which maybe discipline-specific or wide-ranging in scope. For additional information about prestigious scholarships, please contact the Coordinator of Fellowships.