



FIRST YEAR CHECKLIST

- ☐ Review your academic program handbook that includes program requirements, degree requirements, and department processes and policies.
- ☐ Schedule at least one session before the end of the first semester at the Center for Writing and Rhetoric with a writing consultant.
- ☐ Introduce yourself to your program staff, Dean, and faculty advisor.
- ☐ Schedule a meeting with your Academic Advisor to map your course plan to graduation.
- ☐ Meet with a career consultant or attend an activity at the Career Development Office or Drucker Career Strategy Office.
- ☐ Find mentors. Connect with faculty, staff, and advanced students.
- ☐ Know your discipline—Learn which publications, conferences, and professional associations are relevant to your discipline.
- ☐ Participate in one or more non-academic activities on campus like a Graduate Student Council event or student social.
- ☐ Get to know one of The Claremont College Services (TCCS) offices such as: Office of Black Student Affairs, Chicano Latino Student Affairs, Queer Resource Center or Interfaith Office of the Chaplains. Attend at least one event hosted by a TCCS office.
- ☐ Visit one of the Student Wellness Team offices such as The EmPOWER Center and Health Education Outreach.
- ☐ Enroll in the CAFÉ College Teaching Certificate.
- ☐ Make an appointment with your discipline-specific librarian at Honnold/Mudd Library to find out what resources are available.
- ☐ Set at least one goal regarding your study-life-work balance.
- ☐ Identify at least one external scholarship, fellowship, or grant to apply to for additional funding.