Making a smooth transition to University life is an important step toward achieving success. By providing students with their “roots and wings,” University College’s First and Second Year Success Program helps students get on the right path through their early experiences at TAMIU.

University College provides students with these academic support programs and services:

- Learning Communities
- University Seminar
- Student Mentors
- Academic Advising
- University Learning Center
- Writing Center
- Service Learning
- Reading the Globe
- Testing Center
- TRiO Student Support Services

University College also connects students with other key services and offices across TAMIU such as:

- Office of Career Services
- Student Counseling and Disability Services
- Office of Student Health Services
- Office of Student Affairs
- Sue and Radcliffe Killam Library
- University Police Department
- Office of Financial Aid
- Recreational Sports
The Advising and Mentoring Center is committed to student success. Our full-time staff consists of academic advisors who provide degree evaluation and registration assistance for freshmen and sophomore students, retention specialists who monitor the academic progress of students who have been placed on academic probation, and an athletic academic coordinator who assists student athletes as they progress through their degree plans in compliance with NCAA regulations. Our part-time staff includes student mentors who offer resource information and academic guidance to freshmen and sophomore students.

Freshmen enrolled in UNIV 1101 and 1102 meet with student mentors throughout their first year at TAMIU while sophomores have the option of meeting with student mentors as necessary. Each mentoring session consists of a variety of topic discussions such as time management, exploring UConnect, reviewing degree plans, GPA calculations, and is tailored to each student’s interests and academic concerns. Student mentors also provide assistance with campus resource referrals if needed.

*The higher number is attributed to the fact that AMC had been seeing all students as walk-ins. At present we see only freshmen and sophomores.*
The University Learning Center (ULC), located in Billy Cowart Hall room 205, provides all TAMIU students with academic support in an environment specifically designed to enhance learning. The staff at the ULC is comprised of graduate and undergraduate individuals, carefully selected and trained to assist students with their academic needs in order to reinforce the classroom experience. The ULC provides one-on-one tutoring, group tutoring, Supplemental Instruction, review sessions, TSI workshops and other academic services as needed or requested. For additional information, visit the ULC.

In Fall 2013 and Spring 2014, 2513 (33%) of the 7711 students enrolled in classes supported by Supplemental Instruction activity attended SI activities at the ULC. ULC data reflects that on average, students who attend Supplemental Instruction (SI) services earn a higher GPA than students who do not access these services.

The TAMIU Writing Center (WC) develops increasingly independent writers and supports the instructional goals of the faculty by providing numerous services: individual and small-group tutoring; writing workshops; Supplemental Instruction; writing resources; writing publications, and online, helpline, and fax line requests. The Writing Center also hosts the “Voices in the Monte Speaker Series.”
TRiO Student Support Services Program is funded through a competitive grant from the U. S. Department of Education. The TRiO SSS Program at TAMIU assists first-generation and/or low-income and disabled students through tutoring, academic advising, career advising, financial literacy and leadership opportunities, all in an effort to increase college retention, grade point average and graduation rates.

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- COMPASS
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- TOPT
- LSAT
- ACCUPLACER
- Federal Agent Exams

2012-2013
Average GPA for TRIO Participants
2.88

The Testing Center offers a variety of exams to the TAMIU students and community in a quiet, secure, professional environment suitable for testing needs.

We also serve as a test proctoring center for distance education classes.