**STUDENT SUCCESS PROGRAMS**

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**College Readiness Outreach Program (CROP)**

College Readiness Outreach Program (CROP) connects ninth grade students attending Baltimore City Public High Schools with Towson University students who serve as mentors and provide a series of college readiness workshops. TU student mentors facilitate individual conversations and group discussions sharing their experiences, encouraging academic persistence, discussing college readiness topics and helping students develop a personal definition for success. Baltimore City Public High School students have an opportunity to develop a plan to graduate high school and gain college acceptance.

**Community Enrichment & Enhancement Partnership (CEEP) Award**

The Community Enrichment and Enhancement Partnership (CEEP) Award is a scholarship resource available to entering first generation students eligible for financial aid. Student Success Programs is responsible for the administration of this scholarship. CEEP (pronounced KEEP) Award funding supports TU's mission to increase the access and success of culturally diverse undergraduate students.

**Students Achieve Goals through Education (SAGE) Community**

The SAGE Community offers a residential living community experience for entering first generation students eligible for financial aid through partnership with Student Success Programs and the Department of Housing and Residence Life. SAGE Community focuses on academic success, community building, professional development and expanding the multicultural knowledge of first year participants. Opportunity for faculty interaction, academic support, use of campus wide services as well as staff and peer mentorship support this effort.

Applicants should be first generation college students, eligible for financial aid, and must participate in the SAGE Community Pre-Orientation experience, taking place 5 days before the traditional new student orientation experience in August. Applicants selecting a roommate should select a roommate that is first generation and eligible for financial aid as well.

**Students Achieve Goals through Education (SAGE) Program**

Students Achieve Goals through Education (SAGE) program (https://www.towson.edu/sage) is one component of TU's cultural diversity and student retention plan. Each SAGE program participant is able to develop a positive relationship with a peer mentor and participate in various activities that enhance academic success, campus connections, personal development and career development skills. Participants also expand their knowledge of diverse cultural communities, identify potential faculty mentors, navigate campus bureaucracy and participate in networking opportunities.

SAGE Program events occur each Tuesday, 4-5 p.m., in the University Union Building – Chesapeake Rooms II and III.