

Empowering A COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS

The Center for Inclusive Education and Scholarship (CIES) seeks to increase access to higher education for students regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status; foster an inclusive community of scholars striving to achieve academic excellence; and graduate students empowered to impact change.



SUPPORT FOR YOU

CIES serves over 20 specialized programs designed to offer academic, personal, and professional support to a variety of populations. They also provide broader support to the Drexel community by offering workshops on leadership development, networking opportunities connecting students and scholars from different backgrounds, one-on-one support by trained professional staff, and a dedicated space for students to utilize for studying, socializing, and more.

Values

We employ a holistic approach to student development and wellness, ensuring academic and social success.

We cultivate academic excellence and persistence by teaching a growth mindset and self-advocacy.

We work to understand student needs and provide or make connections with resources to support them.

We inspire a culture of sharing knowledge and resources to improve communities.

We empower the larger University community on issues of inclusivity and cultural competency.

CIES Programs

Act 101: Pennsylvania Higher Education Equal Opportunity Program

Act 101 connects participants to additional resources, like a lending library, academic coaching, and peer mentoring.

Dragon Navigators

The Dragon Navigator Program (DNP) provides a community of support for students from underrepresented populations as they connect with various student organizations and academic resources on campus and participate in workshops and other activities throughout the year.

Dragon Scholars

The Dragon Scholars Program (DSP) prepares incoming first-year students for the transition from high school to college through participation in a summer program.

Drexel Global Scholar Program

The Drexel Global Scholar program offers select international students an opportunity to participate in valuable, peer-based mentorship and leadership development opportunities as well as team-building activities and civic engagement.

First Forward: Drexel's First-Generation Program

First Forward brings together members of the Drexel community who are first-generation, to work together at ensuring first-generation college students are supported and recognized for the unique insights and experiences that they bring to campus.

Liberty Scholars

The Liberty Scholars program provides recent Philadelphia high school graduates with a renewable scholarship covering tuition and fees, a dedicated faculty or staff mentor, and a living-learning community during their first and second years, as well as extracurricular and developmental programming.

THRIVE: Students of Color Early Move-in Empowerment Retreat

THRIVE is designed to empower new undergraduate students of historically underrepresented populations to excel, find their voices, and take their seats at the table in the Drexel community.

Scholarships Supported by the Center

The Center provides support and other opportunities to recipients of the following external scholarships:

Delaware Valley Science Fair Winners Scholarship

Drexel Exelon Scholars

Intel Science & Engineering Fair Winners Scholarship

Maguire Scholars

Schleyer Scholars

W.W. Smith Scholars

For more information on these scholarships, visit **drexel.edu/ drexelcentral/finaid/grants/undergraduate-scholarships**.





