

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

LYON COLLEGE

- **Small average class size**
- **“Everyone knows everyone else”**
- **Demanding**
- **Excellent opportunity to succeed**
- **Scottish Heritage**
- **COR 100 Program**



How To Succeed

Plan To Succeed from the Start

- **Show up for class.**
- **Complete all assignments.**
- **Have work done on time.**
- **Do your homework.**
- **Set up a daily schedule.**
- **Do your homework.**
- **Limit your work week.**
- **DO YOUR HOMEWORK**



STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

Take Charge of Learning

- **Assess how you learn best.**
- **Improve reading, note-taking and study habits.**
- **Develop critical thinking skills.**
- **Improve your writing.**



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Active Learning

- Participate in class.
- Practice giving presentations.
- Learn how to remember more from every class.
- Learn from criticism.
- LEARN HOW TO STUDY
- Get to know the campus library.
- Do your homework



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Get Connected

- Study with a group. (if this helps....)
- Get to know one person who cares about you.
- Get involved in campus activities.
- Learn about campus helping resources.
- Meet with your instructors.
- Visit your academic advisor.
- Get to know your student mentor



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Know Yourself

- **Take your health seriously.**
- **Exercise every day**
- **Have realistic expectations.**
- **Learn how to be assertive, yet tactful.**
- **Find something you're good at doing**
- **Determine which subjects you're most interested in**



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First-Year Questions of Freedom and Commitment: Common Concerns

“Will I be able to handle this freedom?”

“Maybe college will be too difficult for me.”

“Will I like my roommate?”

“What if I don’t pick the right major?”

“Maybe I’m the only one feeling like this.”



STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

Student Organizations

Alpha Chi
Alpha Xi Delta
American Chemical Society
Amnesty International
Baptist Collegiate Ministry
Business Law Club
Black Student Association
Catholic Campus Ministries
Chi Beta Phi
Club Med
College Recyclers
College Republicans
Episcopalian Fellowship
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
French Club
Highlander
Honor Council
Hyde Park Players
International Students Association
Intrafraternity Council

Kappa Sigma Fraternity
Kappa Pi
Kappa Delta Pi
Lyon Campus Ministries
Lyon College Quiz Bowl
Lyon Concert Choir
Model U.N.
Mortar Board
Panhellenic Council
Phi Mu
SWAT
Scottish Heritage
Sigma Delta Pi
Sigma Tau Delta
Social Council
Spanish Club
Student Athletic Advisory Organization
Student Government Association
Tau Kappa Epsilon
Wesley Fellowship
X-Treme Adventure Squad
Yearbook
Young Democrats
Zeta Beta Tau



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Those Who Start and Those Who Finish

The good news...

- Today more than 60% of high school students go to college.

The bad news...

- 40% of students enrolling in 4-year colleges never finish their degrees.
- In two-year colleges, half or more of the entering class will drop out by the end of the first year.



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Liberal Arts Education

Studies suggest that liberal arts college graduates:

- are more likely to be able to understand a variety of viewpoints and be able to relate to a wider variety of people
- are more interested in political and public affairs.
- are better consumers, save more money and make better investments.
- are more able to deal with bureaucracies, the legal system, tax laws and advertising claims.



STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

Setting Goals for Success

- 1. Select a goal.**
- 2. Be sure that goal is achievable.**
- 3. Be certain you want to achieve the goal.**
- 4. Know why the goal matters.**
- 5. Identify and plan for potential difficulties.**
- 6. Devise strategies for achieving the goal.**

Good Luck!



Matriculation

- Matriculate: To admit or be admitted into a group, especially a college or university
- Matriculation: the process of matriculating



Matriculation Convocation

This Evening

- **Please be at Alphin Building at 7:00 PM. The ceremony is at 7:30.**
- **Wear “church clothes”**
- **Students will be lined up in alphabetical order with upperclass students serving as row leaders.**



Matriculation Convocation

This Evening

- **Process into the chapel and sit in the center section.**
- **After welcomes, an anthem, and the address, students will be called forward to sign a class banner.**
- **This will be followed by a prayer and singing of the alma mater.**
- **Process out following the alma mater.**

