College is a time of great opportunity — a chance to find direction in life and chart a course for the future. For many students, however, college can also be a completely daunting experience. It's easy to feel overwhelmed by managing schedules, finances and academics all alone for the very first time.

The College of Engineering at Kansas State University will forge relationships with these students through the Academic Success Center (ASC). Our vision for this new program is very simple — we will give students the mentors, advisors and training needed to light their way for a successful college and career path. Because there is tremendous value in relationships and finding direction early in life, the College of Engineering invites your investment in the Academic Success Center.

Your investment will give engineering students access to multiple training opportunities and support groups under a single umbrella of programmatic support.

The Innovation and Inspiration Campaign will raise $1 billion to advance the initiatives of K-State 2025.
SCHOLARS ASSISTING SCHOLARS
Scholars Assisting Scholars (SAS) is a very focused tutoring program that employs students who attend a specific section of a course and serve as a tutoring resource to everyone enrolled in that section of the course. Tutors attend the lecture and provide assistance consistent with course instruction and lead review sessions before each exam. SAS is designed to support student success and learning for students in the early chemistry, physics and math courses, as well as many other core engineering courses. This program has proven critical to improving the college’s freshman-to-sophomore retention metric, and hence, moving the college toward achieving its top 50 vision by 2025.

ALUMNI MENTOR PROGRAM
The Alumni Mentor Program (AMP) is aimed at connecting current engineering students with alumni. Students are matched with a mentor based on background, experience and interest. This nine-month program (September–May) is designed specifically for engineering students with sophomore standing or above. AMP provides students with the opportunity to learn from highly successful and experienced professionals in their field of study who share their technical expertise, facilitate career development and give advice on professional demeanor.

PEER MENTORING
The Building Excellent Engineers (BEE) program was developed to assist engineering students in overcoming challenges associated with academic concerns and/or perceived barriers to success. The program is structured around peer academic mentors working with engineering students on time management, a balanced schedule, organizational tools, academic study skills and approaches, test-taking strategies, professor communication and goal setting, all in combination with a knowledge of various campus resources. Academic mentors are trained with a specific series of sessions throughout the semester to enhance the student’s experience.

FIRST-YEAR INSTRUCTION
Some freshmen pursuing an engineering degree are unsure about which degree program will best fit their interests, skills and career goals. In order to fully engage these highly capable and interested students, the Academic Success Center offers the First-Year Engineering Program. Students receive detailed exposure to different career possibilities across the 10 different degree programs offered in the College of Engineering through its Engineering Orientation course, DEN 160. In addition, students participate in the Engineering Problem Solving course, DEN 161, which provides a research-based learning environment that helps them achieve academic success.

After completing the First-Year Engineering Program, students can easily transition into the College of Engineering degree program of their choice and stay on track with their peers. The First-Year Engineering Program provides students with a perspective of the various types of engineering problems and career paths, and develops a strong foundation for their personal and professional development.
**DIVERSITY SUPPORT PROGRAMS**

The **Women in Engineering Program** (WiE) provides opportunities for women in engineering to connect, share and support each other during their time at K-State. WiE sponsors events and activities providing social engagement, professional development and academic support for women in the college. Social networking and engagement activities are provided through WiE mentors and departmental associations. Women mentors and leaders in the college create and plan many of the activities. The Women in Engineering Laboratory Experience program also supports women working in engineering labs throughout the college.

The **Multicultural Engineering Program** (MEP) is focused on increasing the pool of interested and qualified students from historically under-represented groups pursuing engineering degrees and to provide a foundational support system. The MEP Kompass summer bridge program is a three-day intensive session designed to accelerate academic success for incoming freshman. The Multicultural Academic Program Success (MAPS) six-week summer program allows students to get to know other students, faculty and the K-State campus. MAPS students also get to experience industry tours and meet professionals and faculty who can serve as mentors for them throughout their college careers.
INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Your investment in the Academic Success Center will strengthen our efforts to help future graduates succeed. **With a minimum investment of $25,000**, payable through a pledge of up to five years, you can endow your gift and provide long-term support for this important program. This is because endowed funds are invested today to create a lasting legacy that reaches into the future. Whether endowed or expendable, your investment will sustain programs that are critical to student retention and the college’s strategic goals.

**Join us!**

You can become part of our exciting future. We invite you to contact a member of our development staff today and begin the discussion about how you can make a difference.

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