Enrollment Information

Mentees (First-year and Transfer Students)
To enroll into P.A².S.S, please log on to PeopleSoft at:
https://student.studentadmin.uconn.edu/
and search for **UNIV 1820**

**Mentors:**
Please search for **UNIV 2230** in PeopleSoft as well. Please keep in mind, you will need a permission number to enroll.

If you need assistance, please call or email the AACC at 860.486.3433 or aacc@uconn.edu

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About P.A².S.S.

The Preparing African American Students to Sustain Success (P.A².S.S) Program is designed to assist first-year and transfer students with their transition to the UConn community. This course gives first year/transfer students access to a network of upper-class mentors. These upper-class mentors serve as liaisons to campus resources, services, organizations, events, and opportunities. The P.A².S.S Program supports the mission of the African American Cultural Center through promoting cultural preservation, quality leadership, and academic excellence through a unique approach to cultural advocacy, academic support, and community outreach. Through the efforts of the African American Cultural Center and the Peer Mentor Program, as well as many other initiatives, the University of Connecticut has a high retention rate for African American students compared to other universities.

Students of the P.A².S.S Program will participate in weekly 50 minute sessions with first-year students, transfer students, and mentors. The African American Cultural Center's Director, Dr. Willena Kimpson Price, is the instructor and head of this program. Guest speakers are always invited to the class during the semester to inform students of the different resources and opportunities that are available to them. Class discussions focus on cultural preservation, leadership development, academic services and support, global social justice issues, and community outreach. An example of this can be seen through the African American Cultural Center (AACC) Outreach Program, which is a program where UConn students provide young women from Journey House with an in-depth and all-encompassing view of college life. With the help of this program, these girls have the opportunity to experience firsthand campus culture and community. This program also affords these young people with great potential to form and build special bonds with UConn students who, like many of the students participating in the AACC Outreach Program, had to overcome obstacles to succeed in life as well. With this program, students will also have many opportunities to interact with academic staff and leaders of the University of Connecticut community.

We invite you to take advantage of the P.A².S.S Program! As you come to campus for orientation and register for your classes, we encourage you to sign up for the P.A².S.S Program. The class meets Thursday evenings from 5:30pm to 6:20pm in the African American Cultural Center's Community Room. Should you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact Dr. Willena Kimpson Price in the African American Cultural Center at aacc@uconn.edu or at 860-486-3433.

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