

ALANA Student Network

The ALANA Student Network is an educational initiative developed to provide a support system for all ALANA (African, Latino/a, Asian, and Native American) students. Participants will acquire the ability to navigate the college experience both in and outside the classroom through their knowledge and utilization of campus resources, student-leadership opportunities, and experiential learning which will ultimately lead to receiving an undergraduate degree.

Passport First-Year Exploration Program

Passport is the first-year exploration program within the ALANA Student Network established in 2016 through the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. This introductory program provides academic support, peer-to-peer guidance, cultural and leadership development for first-year students who identify as African, Latino/a, Asian, and Native American.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Define one's identity, understand intersectionality and articulate how these factors influence the college experience.
- Practice personal accountability and develop meaningful peer relationships using effective intrapersonal/interpersonal skills within an academic and social environment.
- Use acquired knowledge about cultural diversity to make informed decisions.

Program Participation

Participants join the program through self-selection and make a commitment to remain actively engaged during the academic year.

Pre-Arrival Experience

The program begins with a six-day pre-arrival experience which focuses on the initial transition from high school to college. During the pre-arrival experience, students attend multiple workshops and have an opportunity to bond while participating in off-campus activities located throughout the Henniker and surrounding communities. Each first-year student or Protégé is paired with a returning student (Passport Advisor) who provides the peer-to-peer guidance.

Academic Progress Report

All Passport participants are required to complete a bi-weekly academic progress report to closely monitor their successes and areas of development.

Study Hours

All Passport participants are required to attend weekly study hours located in the campus library.

ALANA Student Success Seminar

All Passport participants are required to attend a bi-weekly Success Seminar. During the one-hour session, students are introduced to various topics that are positive contributors to college completion.

