

Back in Business Academic Success Program

Student Success Pathways Inventory

To help students in BCOM program successfully transition to university life and into the BCOM program uses the framework of Dr. Alf Lizzio's Five Senses Model. Students are faced with new challenges and changes throughout each academic year ranging from academic, financial, social, personal wellbeing. The Back in Business Academic Success program developed the following inventory to help students visualize and learn about different resources, services, and supports on campus to help build their success plan and design a pathway that best suits individual needs. This 5 senses framework includes the following: resourcefulness, purpose, connectedness, capability, and culture.

5 Senses	Definition		
Sense of Resourcefulness	Ability to manage the challenges of university experience proactively.		
Sense of Purpose	Motivation to achieve your academic goals throughout your academic career.		
Sense of Capability	Belief in your ability to meet the expectations of the student role and achieve the academic skills you need to succeed.		
Sense of Connectedness	Feeling and experience of belonging to your university community.		
Sense of Culture	Your identity with Saint Mary's University.		

The following are student success pathways that you can choose to help fill your Success Toolbox in your Student Success Plan. Students can print or use this inventory as a guide to help identify areas of support and who/where that support is provided.

I Want to Work On	I Need Support With	I Can Receive Support From	I Can Access & Develop Support By
Sense of Resourcefulness - Academic	 □ Degree program □ Academic resources □ Academic Standing □ Course planning & registration □ Major selection □ Unsure of where to go for academic or other support on campus □ Appeals □ University regulations, policies, and process □ Understanding your degree progress and program requirements 	□ Arts Academic Advising □ Science Academic Advising □ Commerce Academic Advising	www.smu.ca/academics/academic-advising.html
Sense of	☐ Admissions	Office of the Registrar	https://www.smu.ca/registrar/index.html
Resourcefulness -	Transfer credit	Academic Advising	
Office of the Registrar	Tuition, Fees, and payments	Admissions Office	

Sense of Resourcefulness – Student Life	□ Financial aid □ Registration and student records □ Student awards & bursaries □ Academic Support Outside of the classroom □ Personal support □ Social Support □ On-campus employment □ Experiential learning □ On-campus housing □ Buying books and other school materials.	□ Transfer Credit Office □ Service Centre – Fees and payment □ Student Records Office □ Financial Aid & Awards □ Athletics and Recreation □ Career and Experiential Learning □ Indigenous Advisor □ International Student Centre □ Fred Smither's Centre □ Student Success Centre □ Counselling Centre & Health Services □ African Nova Scotian/Black Student Advisor □ Residence and Housing □ SMU Bookstore	www.smu.ca/student-life/index.html
Sense of Resourcefulness - Library	 □ Study space □ Borrow from other libraries □ Borrow books and other materials for your course □ Research help □ Plagiarism and citation styles □ University Student ID 	☐ Patrick Power Library	www.smu.ca/academics/the-patrick-power-library.html
Sense of Resourcefulness - Accessibility	 □ Accessibility □ Accommodations □ Support and resources for students with documented disabilities □ Financial support specifically for students with disabilities □ Navigating university policies and procedures the university and learning how the university creates an accessible campus for all 	☐ Fred Smither's Centre	www.smu.ca/student-life/fred-smithers-centre.html
Sense of Resourcefulness – Campus Map	☐ Learning how to navigate campus	☐ Campus Map	https://www.smu.ca/student-life/campus- map.html

Sense of Resourcefulness - Technology Sense of Resourcefulness - Safety	□ Accessing my student account □ Accessing Self Service Banner □ SMU email □ Help with Brightspace □ Campus Safety □ Campus Security	 □ Information Technology Help Desk □ Software & Application Support Centre (SAS) □ University Security 	Brightspace: https://studio.smu.ca/brightspace Technology Support: //www.smu.ca/academics/enterprise- information-technology.html www.smu.ca/student-life/university-security.html
Sense of Purpose – Learning Skills	□ Learning strategies □ Time management □ Goal setting □ Procrastination □ Organization □ Growth mindset □ Exam and test anxiety	 Learning Skills Strategist Learning skills and strategies workshops Academic Coaching Appointment 	www.smu.ca/newtosmu/student-success.html
Sense of Purpose - Career	 Career/Job fairs Career/Job Workshops and information sessions Internships and co-op program Career Counselling Career Coaching Job preparation Getting involved on campus Experiential learning 	 Career Counsellors Career and Employment Coaches Co-Curricular Record Coordinator Work-Integrated Learning Advisor (Co-op) 	www.smu.ca/career-services/welcome.html
Sense of Purpose – Study Abroad	Exchange programsStudying abroad	☐ Global Learning & Intercultural Support Office	https://studio.smu.ca/global-learning
Sense of Purpose – Academic Programs	Choosing my degree program or major	 □ Arts Academic Advising □ Science Academic Advising □ Commerce Academic Advising □ Academic Calendar □ Major exploration events □ Department Chairs/Program Advisors □ Commerce program extracurricular opportunities 	www.smu.ca/academics/academic-advising.html https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/ https://www.smu.ca/academics/sobey/sobey-student-get-involved.html
Sense of Capability – Course Support	□ Academic help in commerce courses□ Peer Academic Support	 □ BCOM Peer Academic Support (PAS) Program □ Study Hall □ Peer Assisted Student Sessions □ BCOM Peer Academic Support Program Brightspace resource 	https://www.smu.ca/academics/sobey/peer-academic-support-program.html

Sense of Capability - Writing Sense of Capability -	 □ Writing help and tutoring □ How to be an online student □ English language support □ Preparing for learning in university 	 □ Writing Centre □ JumpStart Program □ Brightspace Support □ Writing Tutors □ English as an Additional Language Tutors □ Arts Academic Advising 	https://studio.smu.ca/studio-for-students www.smu.ca/academics/academic-
Academic Advising	 □ Academic appears □ Academic standing and grades □ Academic regulations □ Academic schedule □ Understand your course syllabus □ Missed tests & exams 	□ Science Academic Advising □ Commerce Academic Advising □ Academic Calendar □ Self Service Banner	advising.html https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/
Sense of Capability – Learning & Study Skills	 □ Learning and study skills □ Time management □ Exam preparation □ Note taking and listening □ Reading textbooks & other academic materials □ Presentation skills 	 □ Learning Skills Strategist □ Learning skills and strategies workshops □ Academic Coaching Appointment □ Writing Centre 	www.smu.ca/newtosmu/student-success.html
Sense of Connectedness – Campus Engagement	 Mentor other commerce students Join a commerce club or society Get involved in Sobey School of Business 	 □ Business Societies □ Enactus □ Business Case Competition □ Impact Investment fund □ Peer Academic Leader □ Teaching Assistantships 	https://www.smu.ca/academics/sobey/sobey-student-get-involved.html https://www.smu.ca/academics/sobey/peer-academic-support-program.html https://www.smu.ca/academics/sobey/teaching-assistantships.html
Sense of Connectedness – Indigenous Community	☐ Indigenous culture☐ Reconciliation☐ Indigenous Student Support	□ Indigenous Student Advisor □ Events and workshops □ Land acknowledgement □ Resources and information □ Indigenous Studies	https://www.smu.ca/indigenous- community/welcome.html https://www.smu.ca/indigenous- community/student-advisor.html
Sense of Connectedness – Physical & Mental Wellbeing	 □ Physical health and wellness □ Mental Health Support □ Recreation □ Sexual violence support and education 	□ Counsellors □ Sexual Violence Advisor □ Student Health Clinic □ Events & Peer Supporters for Mental Health	https://smusa.ca/ https://www.smu.ca/student-life/the-counselling-centre.html https://www.smu.ca/svs/welcome.html https://www.smu.ca/student-life/the-counselling-centre.html https://www.smu.ca/student-life/the-counselling-centre.html

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Sense of Connectedness – Campus Employment	 □ Work during the academic year □ Summer work opportunities □ Work for International students 	☐ Career 360 ☐ SMUworks	https://www.smu.ca/career- services/career360.html
Sense of Connectedness – SMUSA	☐ Clubs ☐ Societies ☐ Events and activities ☐ Bus Pass ☐ Health Plan ☐ Tutor Database	□ SMUSA (Saint Mary's Student Association) □ Women's Centre □ Pride Centre	https://smusa.ca/
Sense of Connectedness – Black Community	 Black student community events Black student campus resources and support Black student advising and support 	 Societies & Groups African Descent Student Ambassador African Nova Scotian/Black Student Advisor 	https://www.smu.ca/blackstudent/welcome.html
Sense of Culture – Learn about SMU	How can you make a difference as a student?Where do I fit in as a student?	☐ University Vision & Mission ☐ About SMU ☐ Get Involved	https://www.smu.ca/about/vision-and- mission.html https://www.smu.ca/about/quick-facts.html https://www.smu.ca/student-life/gettinginvolved/