

# VVC First-Year Experience Program

***First time college student? No problem, we are here for you!***

The first year experience on campus is important in that it can set the tone for the rest of your college life. Victor Valley College offers a variety of First-Year Experience cohorts to ensure your success as a college student. The cohorts are designed as learning communities and are geared for students working towards their Associates Degree and/or transfer to a 4-year college or university.

**Participation is not only fun, but rewarding! Students that participate in learning communities are more likely to:**

- Earn their Associate Degree
- Transfer to a 4 year university
- Persist into their second year
  - Have a higher GPA

## **Program Services Include:**

- ✓ Dedicated Counselors
- ✓ Student Support Network
- ✓ Book Assistance
- ✓ University Tours
- ✓ Priority Registration
- ✓ Mentoring



**Sign-Up Today At:**

**[www.vvc.edu/first-year-experience/](http://www.vvc.edu/first-year-experience/)**

**You can apply for one or all of the following cohorts:**

**These tracks are designed for students who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (*STEM*) majors.**

### **High Desert Commitment – Female STEM**

**Counselor: Manika Record,  
manika.record@vvc.edu**

This track is for female students who are interested in STEM majors and ultimately careers in the STEM field.

### **UMOJA-George Washington Carver Scholars**

**Counselor: Dr. Timberlake,  
corey.timberlake@vvc.edu**

This track is designed for STEM students and will have an emphasis on African American heritage and culture.

### **STEM Scholars**

**Counselor: Dr. Timberlake,  
corey.timberlake@vvc.edu**

This track is designed for all students who are interested in pursuing a STEM degree.

***Each track will help you prepare for transfer!***

**These tracks are designed for students who are pursuing *non-STEM* majors, such as Liberal Arts, Communication Studies, Child Development, etc.**

### **High Desert Commitment Track B**

**Counselors: Christina Cash,  
christina.cash@vvc.edu and**

**Phylicia Deam, phylicia.deam@vvc.edu**

Our most in-demand cohort! This track is designed for non-STEM students who are interested in transferring to a 4-year college or university.

### **UMOJA-Freedom Scholars**

**Counselor: Tamala Clark, tamala.clark@vvc.edu**

This track is designed for non-STEM students who are interested in transferring to a 4-year college or university and will have an emphasis on African American heritage and culture.

***Check us out online!***

 **Instagram: @VVCfirstyearexperience**

 **Twitter: @VVC\_FYE**