we place special emphasis on each student's first year. Through research and our own experience, we know that the foundations built during the freshman year are key to a student's success. Once you’re admitted to Central Washington University (CWU), First Year Experience (FYE) picks up where the Admissions Office leaves off—you’ll see us at orientation, summer programs, and initiatives throughout your first year. Making the commitment to spend four or more years of your life at a university is a major decision. With this in mind, it only makes sense that the CWU community welcomes you by providing a comprehensive guide to your first year. It is guaranteed to increase your success at CWU.

That's why Central Washington University has created a comprehensive First Year Experience (FYE).

**THE GOALS ARE SIMPLE:**
- Increase the level of academic challenge
- Create an active, collaborative learning environment
- Increase student-faculty interaction
- Enrich interdisciplinary educational experiences
THE FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

offers numerous intentional university programs and initiatives to assist your transition to CWU life. Some of those activities and resources include:

- **PHASE I** — Wildcat Day
- **PHASE II** — Orientation: Discover! Orientation
- **PHASE III** — Orientation: Wildcat Welcome Weekend (WWW)
- **PHASE IV** — Orientation: The First Six Weeks Programs
- Living Learning Communities
- University 101 Course
- Personal Academic Advisor
- University Majors and Career Fairs and many many more...

THERE ARE NUMEROUS RESOURCES

students are encouraged to use during their first year at CWU.

For a detailed list, please go to www.cwu.edu/~avpugrad/fye.html on the Web.

Incoming students at CWU learn how to utilize resources, resolve problems, and prepare themselves to take full advantage of their time here on campus.

The FYE Programs are designed to help incoming students maximize the first year of college by getting comfortable on campus, connecting with the university, and thinking of CWU as home. Our programs begin the summer before your first fall quarter and continue throughout the school year.

The FYE Program is founded on a specific set of values and beliefs. These values are in place to reinforce the university’s commitment to student learning and success:

- Cultivating relationships with students, faculty, and staff
- Maintaining a supportive university community
- Fostering intellectual inquiry, exploration, and application
- Providing a rigorous curriculum and outstanding teaching

This program is an organized and cohesive endeavor on the part of CWU to provide a premium first-year experience for all new students.

FYE BEGINS WITH WILDCAT DAY

and transitions to Discover! Summer Orientation. It continues throughout the academic year with classes, advising, and intentional programs. CWU first-year students live together on campus creating a unified living-learning experience that the university is committed to providing.