

Welcome to Student Academic Success Day 2023!

Student Academic Success and Educational Equity Programs and the DEGREES Project proudly present SAS Day 2023! This power packed event is designed to inspire, elevate, and transform lives through educational and empowering information. This year's event will celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the DEGREES Project. Established in 2013, the DEGREES Project is a comprehensive and campus-wide educational equity program that touches the lives of all educational equity students on the campus. Through peer coaching, mentoring, advising, counseling, faculty and College level interventions, the program aims to help students achieve their degrees and close the degree attainment gap.

This year the program has put together a program that will challenge students and guests to achieve success with no end. What does that mean? It means that we aspire to help event attendees to reach their highest goals while maintaining a continuous eye on success by meeting one goal and then another and another. Success is not a destination but a journey of hard work and reaching numerous triumphs. Join us as we explore success with no end in health, finances, entrepreneurship, personal branding, culture, academics, relationships, and much more.

To continue to enrich the SAS Day Experiences, SASEEP will host Student Academic Success Week that will commence with a Principals and Leaders' Summit on Monday, September 18th from 10 am – 11 am via zoom and has a theme this year of "Helping Students Reach Their Pinnacle of Success." SAS Week itself will feature a selection of themed days that electrify the mind, capture the heart, and inspire the spirit to go further and achieve the best.

The grand finale to SAS Day will include events and workshops hosted on Monday, September 25th, 2023 that will celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the DEGREES Project while helping to promote the theme of "Success with No End." The day-long event will include a morning kickoff at 11:00 am with breakout sessions on an assortment of success topics, a DEGREES Project luncheon, a Recruit Back Strand, and a Business Summit in the afternoon to promote workforce development and innovation, and a culminating Resource Fair Festival with a free smoothie give away and live music.

Join us to dream big, live even better, and continue to build on your best self! Also, we are launching a 10-day goal challenge via social media to feature student stories of goal setting and achievements of success.

Sign-up today and join the movement for change and success as we celebrate 10 years of the DEGREES Project and the landmark of educational equity work on the campus!

Sincerely,

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