

Proud to be First

CONNECTING, SUPPORTING AND GUIDING FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THEIR COLLEGE JOURNEY.

NOV. 3-7, 2025

First-Generation Celebration Week

The University at Buffalo is proud to honor our first-generation college students, faculty and staff. Join us as we recognize their success and achievements during First-Generation Celebration Week!

Monday, Nov. 3 | Paint-a-bull.
7 a.m. outside the Student Union

Monday, Nov. 3 | National first-generation college student day kickoff.
11 a.m.-1 p.m. on the first floor of Capen Hall (by the pillar near One World Café).

Monday, Nov. 3 | The First to be Well: Centering Connections and Well-being on the Path to Success, presented by Paris Wicker, reception to follow.
Keynote, 4-5 p.m. followed by reception, 5-6 p.m. in 330 Student Union.

Tuesday, Nov. 4 | First-Gen Forward with the Career Design Center and Alumni Engagement
4-6 p.m. in Student Union, Social Hall

Join us for a dynamic networking event celebrating first-generation students, alums, faculty and staff at UB. This event features speed networking, open connection time, free professional headshots and “Proud to Be First” swag to celebrate first-gen identity and build lasting relationships across the UB community. Come to connect, share your story and grow your network!
Please register in advance by scanning the QR code below.

Tuesday, Nov. 4 | First-Generation Student Social.
7-8 p.m. in the Wilkeson Coffeehouse, room 261

Wednesday, Nov. 5 | First-Generation Student Panel
12-1:30 p.m. in 107 Capen Hall

Thursday, Nov. 6 | First-generation Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences tour and discussion.
Please register in advance by scanning the QR code below.
1-3 p.m. A bus from North Campus will leave Flint Loop at 12:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 7 | First Generation Research Symposium.
3-4 p.m. on the first floor of Capen Hall (by the pillar near One World Café).

Friday, Nov. 7 | Proud To Be First reception.
4-5 p.m. 1st floor of Capen Hall (by the pillar near One World Café).

Sponsored by Alumni Engagement, Campus Living, Career Design Center, McNair Scholars Program, Office of Inclusive Excellence, Student Support Services and Tutoring Academic Support Services.

For more information about the events, scan this QR code or visit buffalo.edu/studentsuccess/succeed/firstgen/celebration-week.

