

# Supports and Services for Living on Campus: PAWS



## Structure

### *What is the overall course structure?*

- PAWS is a two-year, four-semester program
- PAWS students do not take courses in the summer
- PAWS students take 12-15 credit hours per semester consisting of a combination of PAWS-specific courses and electives from the UM Course Catalog

## Courses

### *What types of courses are required of PAWS students?*

- PAWS program-specific courses include:
  - Seminars specific to PAWS students
  - A course about preparing for personal success
  - Courses related to developing safe and strong relationships
  - Courses to engage in career exploration

## Unrequired Courses

### *What other courses from the university catalog can PAWS students take?*

- PAWS students take at least one UM course per semester
- After the first semester, students continue to enroll in at least one UM course but can elect to enroll in up to two UM courses if they would like
- Students take UM courses for credit; however, discussions about possibly auditing the course will occur on an as-needed basis

## Certificates

### *What type of credential, certificate, or degree do students earn upon completing the program?*

- Students earn a certificate of completion after completing the 2-year program

## Support

### *What supports do PAWS students receive related to their academic coursework?*

- PAWS students engage in daily check-ins each morning via Zoom
- Check-ins are related to:
  - Students' daily schedule
  - Changes in the daily schedule
  - Upcoming events
  - Last-minute preparations
- PAWS students engage in study halls and have access to peer coaching
- Mizzou Career Center is available to all UM students
  - Offers drop-in hours, workshops, full- or part-time job listings

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