FIRST YEAR CHECKLIST

- Review your academic program handbook that includes program requirements, degree requirements, and department processes and policies.
- Schedule at least one session before the end of the first semester at the Center for Writing and Rhetoric with a writing consultant.
- Introduce yourself to your program staff, Dean, and faculty advisor. Navigate the activities in your Academic Success Kit.
- Schedule a meeting with your Academic Advisor to map your course plan to graduation.
- Meet with a career consultant or attend an activity at the Career Development Office or Drucker Career Strategy Office.
- Find mentors. Connect with faculty, staff, and advanced students.
- Know your discipline—Learn which publications, conferences, and professional associations are relevant to your discipline.
- Participate in one or more non-academic activities on campus like a Graduate Student Council event or student social.
- Get to know one of The Claremont College Services (TCCS) offices such as: Office of Black Student Affairs, Chicano Latino Student Affairs, Queer Resource Center or Interfaith Office of the Chaplains. Attend at least one event hosted by a TCCS office.
- Visit one of the Student Wellness Team offices such as Monsour Counseling and Psychological Services or Student Health Services.
- Enroll in the Preparing Future Faculty’s free College Teaching Certificate.
- Make an appointment with your discipline-specific librarian at Honnold/Mudd Library to find out what resources are available.
- Set at least one goal regarding your study-life-work balance.
- Identify at least one external scholarship, fellowship, or grant to apply to for additional funding.