The First Year Experience Program at King seeks to help students make a successful transition to university life. The program begins with Launch Weekend, which precedes the Fall Semester and continues throughout the Fall Semester with the First Year Seminar course (KING 1000) and an experiential learning trip to Washington, DC.

Through these various avenues, First Year Experience seeks to provide students with strategies for academic success, opportunities for service and leadership, and occasions to plan for the remainder of their university experience as well as their future careers. In addition, students are introduced to the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE), which offers specific interventions and services.

All first year students who have fewer than 30 hours are enrolled in First Year Seminar. During the course of the First Year Experience, students are provided opportunities to evaluate their major interests, meet faculty, and learn of programs in a variety of areas.