Freshmen In Residence Succeeding Together (FIRST) is a comprehensive residential and academic experience designed to increase success for first year SE students! First year students will have the opportunity to live and learn in a supportive environment, sharing similar class schedules with other members of the FIRST Year program.

Elements of the program may include:

- Community Living with other FIRST program participants
- In-Hall mentor, advising, and other support services
- Clustered classes - with other participants of the FIRST programs (these are periodically changed, please check with the Academic Outreach & Advising Center.)
  - Fall semester required courses:
    - ORIE 1002 - (DARCY section)
    - ENG 1113 (Wallace) ENG 1213 or ENG 0123
    - Theatre Appreciation (Hardgrove)
  - Spring Semester Required courses:
    - Any ENG 1213 (unless already completed)
    - PSY 1113 (Intro to Psych)
    - Bus & Prof Speaking
- Activities designed to support and enhance community, personal growth & development and academic success
  - Sample Fall Activities Include: Theatre trip to Dallas, SE Dinner theatre, Dave Ramsey’s Financial Literacy program, Leadership and Career Workshops
  - Sample Spring Activities include: Museum trip to Dallas, SE theatre, Financial Aid workshops (assistance with FAFSA application), and more.
- Tutoring and other student support services

Students interested in the FIRST Year program must also apply for Student Support Services and must enroll in FIRST designated classes. Due to the limited number of available spaces, we encourage you to act quickly to ensure your participation in FIRST! For more information, please contact the Office of Residence Life located on the 3rd floor of the GDJ Student Union (580-745-2948).