

# PIONEER CENTER FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE

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Grounded within current research and based on high-impact practices, the Pioneer Center for Student Excellence (<http://www.twu.edu/pioneer-center/>) supports academic achievement, assists in the development of professional skills, and contributes to the holistic student experience.

The center is home to multiple programs and services that enhance the academic experience of all TWU students. Services include:

- intensive graduate writing support programs
- academic coaching
- academic enhancement programming
- academic advising coordination
- internships
- collaborative learning spaces
- experiential learning

Additionally, the Pioneer Center is home to co-located services including Education Abroad (<https://twu.edu/education-abroad/>) and Scholar Programs (<https://twu.edu/scholar-programs/>). The center is located on the second floor of the Blagg-Huey Library on the Denton Campus, the tenth floor of the TWU Institute of Health Sciences - Houston Center, and provides services to students at the three TWU locations. For more information, please contact the Pioneer Center at 940-898-3755.

## Academic Coaching

Academic coaching is a service provided for students who are seeking additional assistance with improving their academic skills, such as time management, test-taking, note-taking, general study skills, learning styles, and academic motivation. Together, the student and academic coach determine areas of needed assistance and work collaboratively to identify the student's learning strengths that will best assist them with improving in the identified area. Coaching sessions are available in person as well as via the internet.

## Internships/Cooperative Education

Internships provide students with supervised learning situations in business, industry, government, or service enterprise. Employers select students for an internship on the basis of individual merit and qualifications. Several academic departments provide students the opportunity to participate in for-credit internships during their course of study. Non-credit internships are also available to students seeking practical work experience to supplement their coursework. More information is available in the Internships/Cooperative Education (<http://catalog.twu.edu/archives/2020-2021/undergraduate/special-opportunities-programs/internships-cooperative-education/>) section of this catalog or at the Pioneer Center for Student Excellence (<http://www.twu.edu/pioneer-center/>).