The Center for Academic Retention & Enhancement (CARE) motivates, prepares, and recruits traditionally underrepresented and socio-economically disadvantaged students from Florida through a variety of programs and academic support services.

**PROGRAMS WITHIN CARE**

**Summer Bridge Program (SBP)** — a seven-week summer session for first-time-in-college students that includes the cost of tuition & fees, housing, meals, and books.

**Unconquered Scholars Program** — provides students who were formerly in foster care, homeless/unaccompanied youth, wards of the state, or in relative care with additional resources and support.

**Student Support Services** — provides academic and financial literacy activities to prepare students for graduation and life after college.

**Student Support Services—STEM** — provides additional academic and engagement activities for students majoring in science, technology, engineering, or math.

**ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

- Academic and Career Advising
- CARE Computer Lab
- CARE Tutoring Center
- College Life Coaches
- Smaller classes in math, English, and other general education areas
- Financial aid workshops, one-on-one counseling sessions, and scholarship search assistance
- Financial Literacy Assistance
- Peer Mentoring and Leadership Development activities
To apply for CARE, complete the freshman application at admissions.fsu.edu/undergradapp/. In Part 1 of the university application, select Yes, I am interested in being a participant in CARE. You must also submit the following:

- $30.00 application fee or approved application fee waiver
- the Self-reported Student Academic Record (SSAR)
- official ACT or SAT results
- the Residency Declaration for Tuition Purposes Form found at admissions.fsu.edu/residency/
- both the 2016–2017 and the 2017–2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) found at fafsa.gov. We encourage students to use the IRS Data-Retrieval Tool found on the FAFSA website.
- Complete supplemental CARE application found in Part 2 (Checklist) of the application
- CARE essay topic: Resiliency shows your ability to adapt and succeed in spite of obstacles or other challenges. In 650 words or less, please give an example of how you were resilient and what you learned from that experience.