The College Admissions Calendar

JUNIOR YEAR

- Students meet their Dream Team mentors.
- Examine transcripts to check core course requirements.
- Experience college life for a day by coming to the UW campus, attending a college class, and touring the campus for the annual Spring BBQ.
- Intensive SAT/ACT preparation courses provided by the Education Access Network.

SENIOR YEAR

- Polish application essays and complete college applications for at least three schools.
- Attend Admissions Workshop Weekend to work on college applications and essays.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and apply for scholarships. Financial aid workshops are held at each high school.
- Attend Scholarship Workshop Weekend on the UW campus to find and submit scholarship applications.
- Accept and decline college offers and solidify post-high-school plans.
- “Live the Dream” scholarships are presented to a number of Dream Scholars who will be attending the UW in the fall.

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Frequent Questions

Our High Schools

- Formally partnered with 16 high schools, meaning that we conduct weekly visits at these schools. Additionally, we collaborate with over 30 community organizations to serve more students.
- Over 50% of the students at these schools qualify for free or reduced-price lunch (FRL), a common indicator of low-income status. Most of our schools have over 75% FRL students.
- Counselor-to-student ratios reach over 1:800 in a number of our schools.

Our Mentors

- About 500 undergraduate mentors participated in autumn quarter 2013. Together they work with nearly 1,700 high-school students.
- The Dream Project class (EDUC 360) is one of the most diverse classes on campus—mentors come from nearly every major, department, class standing, race/ethnicity and background.

Our Success

- 84% of Dream Scholars matriculate to higher education. Nationally, only 53% of low-income and first-generation students make it to college.
- Dream Scholars currently attend 125 colleges across the country, from 4-year schools to community colleges and technical schools.

Other Sites

Students at other colleges are creating Dream Projects at their schools:

- University of Washington Bothell
- Colorado State University
- Rutgers University
- Gonzaga University
- Emory University

Growth Metrics

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* These FTE figures include faculty adviser salary and benefits even though the Dream Project did not cover these costs during these years. † These FY operating budget figures do not include program evaluation costs included in the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation grant.