The Puente Program was launched at Lee College in 2012 with the mission of increasing the number of academically underserved students who want to transfer/enroll in four-year colleges/universities, earn college degrees, and return to their communities as mentors and leaders. Puente is a nationally recognized mentoring program that has helped students achieve their college goals through their innovative accelerated writing instruction, intensive academic assessment, and through the guidance of members of the professional community.

In an effort to promote student success, Lee College is continuing to implement the Puente Mentoring Program.

**Let US be your bridge to college success!** Puente is a nationally recognized mentoring program that has helped students achieve their college goals through a variety of program resources.

My name is Kassandra "Kassy" Flores

As your Puente Program coordinator, I will ...
• Assist you with navigating our college system (start to finish) as your academic advisor, which may include the course registration process, discussing majors and minors, and discussing financial aid and scholarships.
• Provide you with workshops, university trips, and community service opportunities.
• Provide on campus and off campus resource referrals.

Program Resources Include:

• Personal college and career advising from start to finish
• Placed in classes with a group of Puente students for a year, based on placement test scores
• Student is partnered with a mentor who is a professional from the community
• Textbook lending
• Scholarship opportunities
• Learn strategies for college success
• Participate in culturally enriched activities
• Engage in hands-on active learning in classrooms
• Volunteering opportunities
• University tours
• STEM majors may qualify for scholarship funds

Special Note for Pre-Engineering Students: You may qualify for our NextGen Program that provides all the benefits above plus an opportunity for a full-ride scholarship at Lee College and assistance transferring to a four-year university.

To qualify for the Puente Program:

• ANY student pursuing an associate's degree (preferably a transferable degree) is welcome
• Must need EDUC 1200 AND one of the following sections of English Courses:
  🌟 REBR 300 with ENRD 401
  🌟 ENRD 402 with ENGL 1301
  🌟 ENGL 1301

If you are interested but aren't sure if you qualify, attend an information session at 2 p.m. any Thursday through this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91949131429

Complete the interest form today!