



Proud to Be First FAQs

1. What is a first-generation college student?

You are a first-generation college student at St. Thomas if neither of your parents have completed a bachelor's degree (four-year degree) or if you regularly lived with and received support from only one parent and that one parent did not complete a bachelor's degree.

2. What kind of programs do you have for first-generation college students?

The <u>Proud to Be First program</u> hosts a variety of free events throughout the year that support your college experience, build community, and help you navigate the "Hidden Curriculum" – the parts of college you don't learn about in class. It's a great way to get connected!

The First Year Experience section for first-generation college students is taught by a fellow first-generation college student and professor, Dr. Maddox.

3. Where can we find more information about Proud to Be First?

- Follow us on Instagram: @ustproudtobefirst
- Visit the Proud to Be First website
- Check out the Proud to Be First <u>events</u> on Tommie Link
- Reach out to us at: <u>retention@stthomas.edu</u> or (651) 962-6305