Facing the Freshman Year: Essential Conversations

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WKU is pleased to announce a remarkable exhibition chronicling the freshman experience on display at the Kentucky Museum. This exhibit is designed to convey the stories of the freshman year, allowing authentic student voices to speak to the complexity of navigating the transition to higher education. The photographs and accompanying comments are meant to orient guests toward an appreciation of what it means to be a freshman in the modern university.

All students featured in this exhibit are participants in a student success initiative known as the WKU Freshman Guided Pathway (FGP) - a cohort program comprised of first-time, full-time students who graduated from one of the five high schools in Warren county. These students represent the typical WKU freshman in terms of their academic achievement prior to admission and their demographic makeup.

Facing the Freshman Year is presented by the Kelly M. Burch Institute for Transformative Practices in Higher Education and The Kentucky Museum in partnership with the office of Strategic Communications and Marketing, the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, and the WKU Center for Literacy.

Museum Hours

Tuesday-Saturday 9AM-4PM

Location

1444 Kentucky Street, Bowling Green, KY

Admission

Free *All groups must be scheduled in advance. Visit wku.edu/kentuckymuseum.

Exhibition Webpage

wku.edu/kentuckymuseum/exhibits/facingfreshmanyear.php

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