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College

Application Research Seminars: Expand your application list by discovering universities that align with your interests and goals. Gain research strategies by learning to read admissions websites and identifying useful college data from tools like College Board's Big Future.

Admissions Essay Workshops: Brainstorm and draft essays that highlight your story. Practice transforming moments into scenes that convey your personality and experiences. Receive one-on-one revision services year-round.

Extracurricular Description Workshops: Describe your activities with precision and passion. Implement action verbs that accurately convey your work. Adapt your descriptions for resumes and interviews.

Application Workshops: Upgrade your college applications with guided help on standing out and staying true to your accomplishments. Complete your Apply Texas or Common Application early with semester-long mentorship and planning strategies.

Financial Aid Sessions: Complete your financial aid applications on time. Review college financing options and federal loan terminology.







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Scholarship

Research Seminars: Discover local, state-wide, and national scholarships by accessing databases and searching independent queries based on your qualifications. Identify the scholarship program's mission statement and learn how to emphasize personal attributes.

Recommendation Letter Seminars (for instructors): Gain insight into best practices for writing recommendation letters for your students. Transfer facts into narrative-based accounts. Differentiate information according to your student's application.

Essay Workshops: Brainstorm and draft essays that convey your best qualities. Receive specialized workshops for the Dell Scholarship, Jack Kent Cooke College Scholarship, Hispanic Scholarship Fund, Gates Scholarship, and VAMOS writing prompts.

Application Workshops: Enhance your scholarship applications with guided help on standing out and staying true to your accomplishments. Receive specialized workshops for the Gates Scholarship and Coca-Cola Scholars Scholarship.

Mock Interview Sessions: Practice conveying your qualifications verbally and receive critical feedback. Receive specialized help on the Gates Scholarship and college application process.







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Leadership

LinkedIn Seminars: Practice professional networking by connecting with CSLAP alumni on LinkedIn. Craft messages to potential mentors according to your interests and goals.

Career and Life Path Workshops: Determine your personal qualities that align with diverse career paths. Identify the similarities and differences between these careers to analyze your core values. Determine your life path based on your goals, interests, and skills.

Professional Writing Workshops: Learn professionalization skills via email and other online messaging mediums. Practice writing office hours requests to instructors and other useful templates for college and beyond.

Resume Workshops: Create and revise your resume to align with the goals of your application. Highlight your strengths and accomplishments efficiently and effectively.

Finance and Budgeting Workshops: Gain fundamental financing skills like budgeting over different time lengths, learning credit and loan terminology, and identifying funding sources during college.

Public Speaking Practicums: Speak with style by participating in guided impromptu public speaking practicums catered to specific topics such as filler words or eye contact.







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Mentorship

Mentoring Program: Connect with CSLAP alumni who are attending college or who have entered their careers. Write messages to potential mentors on <u>cslapofficial.com</u> or LinkedIn. Organize Skype or Zoom calls on college access topics.

Contact <u>thomasraygarcia@cslapofficial.com</u> with your mentorship needs to connect to the broader CSLAP Network.

Mentor Sessions: Request a formal online session or event such as a college transition panel or a career Q&A with a CSLAP mentor(s).





