Conversation Starters

- 1. Who is your roommate? Where is he/she from? Do you get along?
- 2. How are you dealing with the stress of transition? Are you working out? Are you sleeping 8 hours? Are you eating healthy foods?
- 3. Did you attend the Welcome Week activities? Which one was your favorite? Why?
- 4. Have you studied your syllabi?
- 5. Have you written all tests, quizzes, and papers due dates in your planner?
- 6. Are you using your planner?
- 7. Have you investigated an intramural team?
- 8. Have you met any new friends?
- 9. Is it normal to miss home? How are dealing with homesickness?
- 10. Did you attend the Involvement Fair? What might you be interested in joining? (later into the semester)
- 11. Have you met with your advisor to discuss registration for next semester? (later in the semester)
- 12. Who is your favorite instructor?
- 13. Have you made an appointment with your instructors (even if you are doing well)?
- 14. Are you in a study group?
- 15. Have you checked out the Tutoring Center? Maybe you could tutor others; find out what you might need to do to qualify as a tutor.
- 16. Are you studying within 24 hours of going to class?
- 17. Are you using the 2:1 ratio rule (two hours of study for each credit hour)?
- 18. Do you know the resources on campus?
- 19. Are you studying out loud?
- 20. Have you created a study guide and asked your instructor to give you feedback regarding the detail in which you wrote it?
- 21. Do you study for 45 minutes or so, and then take a 10 minute break?
- 22. Do you do ongoing integrated reviews on a daily basis?
- 23. Where do you study (your dorm room is usually not a good location)?
- 24. How frequently do you study?
- 25. Do you study with a positive attitude?
- 26. Do you realize you are marvelous and magnificent?