


Welcome to UMSLMyConnect powered by Starfish®

Starfish provides you with a central location to connect to the people and services that can help you finish what you start – all accessible from the side navigation menu of your MyConnect page.

Log in to your account clicking on the MyConnect button in your MyGateway student portal.

The navigation menu  includes access to a customizable profile and personalized channels that make it easy to schedule the dedicated time you need with your instructors, advisors, or counselors. Starfish can also help you manage the steps you need to take to stay on track and meet your goals.

Here are three great ways to get started:

Set up your profile

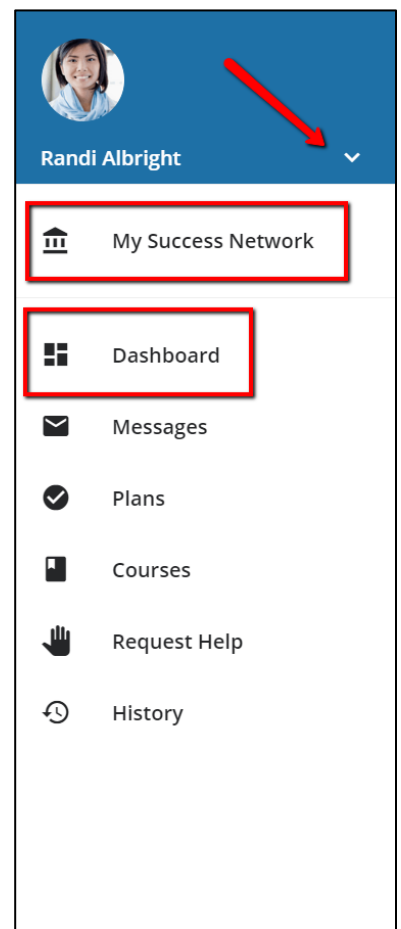
Make it easier for your instructors and advisors to get to know you and stay in contact.

1. **Connect to people and services that can help you**
Use your personalized **My Success Network** and **Courses** channels for quick access to contact information, **appointment scheduling**, and **course help**.

2. **Stay on track**
Use your personalized **Dashboard** to stay on top of upcoming appointments, assignments, plans, and recommendations from your instructors.

Not sure what you need?

Browse the **Services Catalog** or use the **Request Help** option if you can't find what you're looking for through your personalized channels.



That's it. Simple for you. Powerful for your future.

Set up your Profile

Begin by setting up your student profile. Your profile lets instructors and advisors know who you are and how to contact you. It also gives you control over how you wish to receive emails.



1. Open the navigation menu and click your name, and then **Profile** to open your profile.

From here, you can customize your profile by uploading a photo, setting appointment reminders, and adding a secondary email address for receiving Starfish emails (e.g. your mobile phone).

 A screenshot of the Starfish profile setup page for "Randi Albright". The page includes fields for "Login" (pgpreich), "Institution Email" (ralbrighn@excellent.edu), and "Alternate Email". There are checkboxes for "Email Preference" and "Also send notifications to my alternate email address". Below these are fields for "Phone" (888-555-1212), "Video Phone", and "Time zone" (GMT-05:00 Eastern Time). A "Weekly Updates" section has a checked box for "Send me a weekly status update about My Success Network". "Reminder Preferences" include "Email me" 15 minutes before an appointment and "Email me at" 12:00 the day of an appointment. A "Never Mind" and "Submit" button are at the bottom right.

To have Starfish emails sent to your mobile phone (in addition to sending to your primary institutional email address):

 A close-up of the "Alternate Email" field showing the text "5132842342@txt.att.net". Below it is a note: "All notifications will be sent to your institution email address." To the right is a "Cell Phone Users: Read more details." link. Below the field is the "Email Preference" section with the "Also send notifications to my alternate email address" radio button checked.

- Enter the **email address** of your mobile phone in the **Alternate Email** field. This address will be a combination of your phone number plus carrier information. Click the more information icon (📱) for a list of common carriers and email address formats:
- Check the **Also send notifications to my alternate email address** radio button.

 A pop-up window titled "Receive notifications on your mobile phone:" with instructions to "Enter the email address for your mobile phone as indicated below for each provider." It lists several carriers and their email formats: AT&T (cellnumber@txt.att.net), Verizon (cellnumber@vtext.com), T-Mobile (cellnumber@tmomail.net), Sprint PCS (cellnumber@messaging.sprintpcs.com), Virgin Mobile (cellnumber@vmobl.com), US Cellular (cellnumber@email.uscc.net), Nextel (cellnumber@messaging.nextel.com), Boost (cellnumber@myboostmobile.com), and Alltel (cellnumber@message.alltel.com). A "Close" button is at the bottom right.

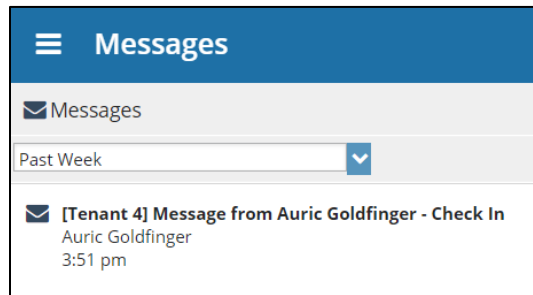
2. Once you have made your desired changes to your profile, click the **Submit** button to save your updates.

Connect to people and services that can help you

The **My Success Network** and **Courses** channels display the people and services that are available to help you succeed. Here you can find key contact information as well as links to student service web sites and online appointment scheduling.

Messages

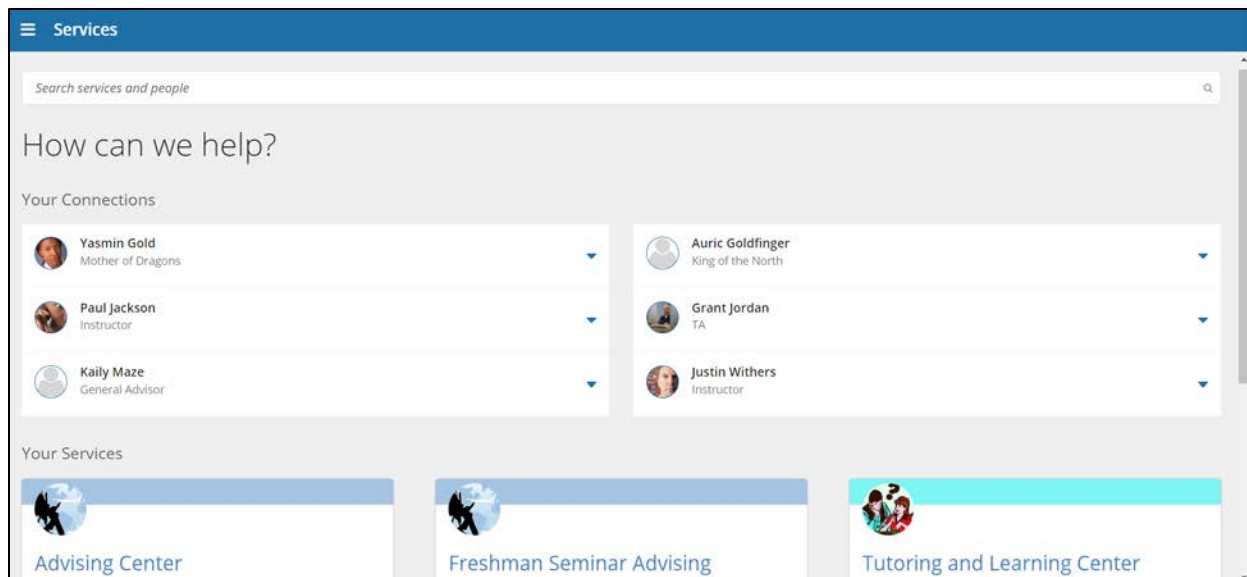
Select **Messages** to display messages sent to you in Starfish. Click on any message in the list to display the full contents of that message.



My Success Network

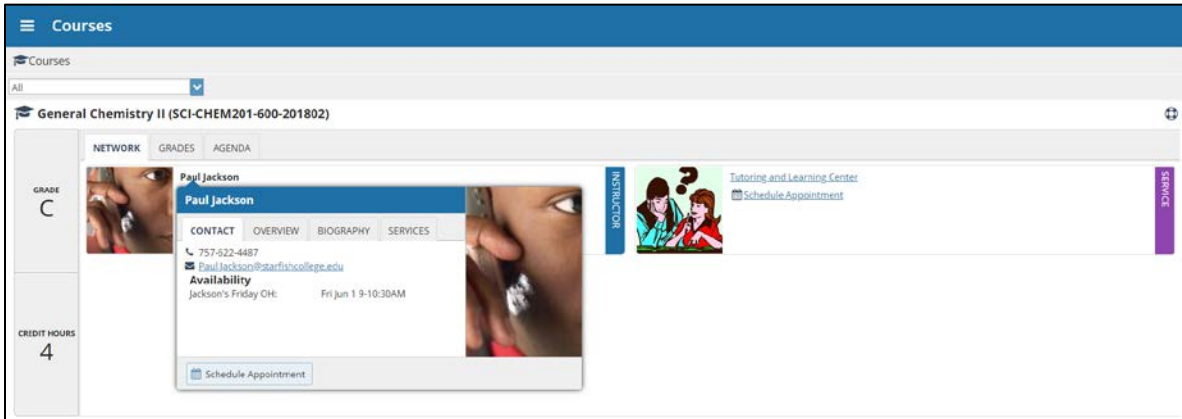
Select **My Success Network** from the navigation menu to display your personalized network. This channel lists the people and resources that are available to assist you. For each person or service listed, you will find contact information, supporting websites, and, if online scheduling is enabled, a link to **Schedule Appointment**. If a service includes a waiting room for walk-in appointments, you can click the “Waiting Room” link to find out how many students are currently in line.

The Services that are most relevant to you are displayed first. Select Show Other Services at the bottom of the page to see additional services.



Courses

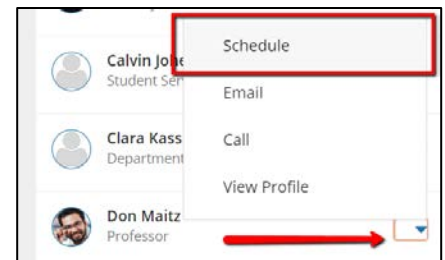
Select **Courses** from the side navigation menu to display information about courses you are enrolled in as well as contacts and available support related to each. Like the **My Success Network** channel, it is personalized to show the people and services specific to the courses you are taking, and gives you the ability to get support information related to a course.



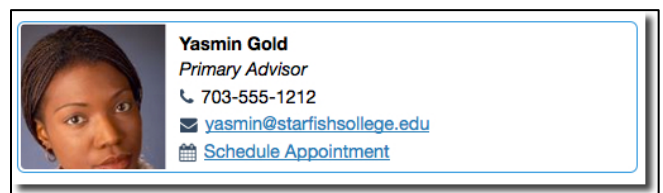
Make an Appointment

1. From the **My Success Network**, click the triangle beside the name of the person you want to schedule an appointment with, and then select **Schedule**.

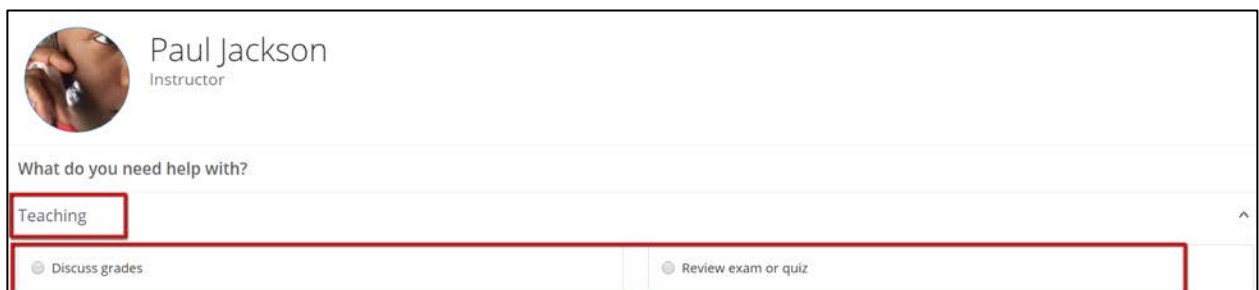
For Services where appointments are available, select **Schedule** for the desired service.



Or, from the **Courses** channel, select **Schedule Appointment** below the contact information for the desired person or service.



2. Select the type of appointment you want to schedule and choose a reason from the list.



- Adjust the date range as needed to find days and times that work for your schedule, and then select a time from the list.

What day and time works for you?

05/30/18 → 06/01/18

Friday, 06/01 6 available

May 2018						
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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09:00 - 09:15 am My Office	15m	09:15 - 09:30 am My Office	15m
09:30 - 09:45 am My Office	15m	09:45 - 10:00 am My Office	15m
10:00 - 10:15 am My Office	15m	10:15 - 10:30 am My Office	15m

- Complete your sign up by adjusting any details, such as duration or course, where applicable, and add a description for why you want to meet.
- Click **Confirm** to finish scheduling the appointment. You will get an email with the appointment details and the appointment will be listed on your **Dashboard**.

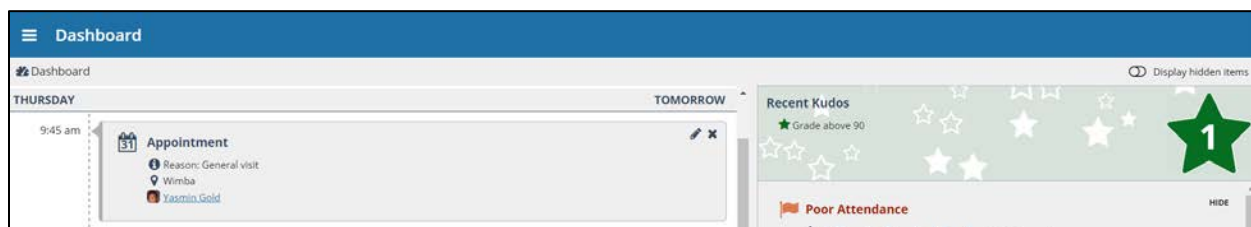
Does this look correct?

<p>Date and Time</p> <p>Friday, June 01</p> <p>09:45 - 10:00 am</p> <p>Change duration</p>	<p>Reason for Visit</p> <p>Review exam or quiz Change</p>
<p>Location</p> <p>My Office</p> <p>Knock once and enter</p>	<p>Course</p> <p>Add a course</p> <p>If you want, tell us a little bit about what's going on so we can help</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>

[BACK](#) **CONFIRM**

Change an Appointment

Upcoming appointments will be listed on your **Dashboard** in the time line view (left column). Click the edit icon (✎) to modify the appointment or the cancel icon (✕) to cancel it.



Stay on track

Dashboard

Your **Dashboard** displays upcoming appointments and date-based tasks on the left to help you plan your week. The right-hand column of your Dashboard highlights items that require your attention and may include alerts related to your class work, recommended referrals to campus support offices to help you succeed, and Kudos from your instructors.

Plans

The **Success Plans** channel will display any customized success plans created for you by your advisor. These plans contain specific tasks with due dates. Click the **View Details** button associated with a plan to display a printable version of the plan.

Select **Degree Planner** to create, view, and/or manage your academic degree plan.

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I don't see anyone listed in My Success Network?

Your specific advisors or counselors might not be assigned yet. Check back later or contact your institution's help desk for additional assistance.

What if I click the Starfish link and get a "You do not have access" message?

Contact your institution's help desk for assistance with accessing the Starfish system.

What if I need more help?

For technical issues, contact the Help Desk at 314-516-6034. For questions regarding a flag, please contact your instructor or advisor.