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## **The VPSL Column: Special Guest Edition**

Guest columnist: Jonathan Manz, *Director of the First Year Experience*

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Hello Students!

My name is Jonathan Manz, and just like our first years and arriving transfers, I am new to Lewis & Clark. I'm thrilled to be a part of this community. I came to the college to lead our efforts at creating and implementing an enhanced first-year experience. Your feedback is critical in shaping our new initiatives.

And so I have a question for all first-year and new transfer students: how have our summer communications (such as your new student checklist), orientation, and start of classes gone for you?

I also have a question for continuing students: what is your feedback on your experience transitioning from your first year into your second (and even third, fourth, and beyond)?

Please feel free to stop by my office to share your answers if you like. You can find me in Albany 206H which is inside the College Advising suite. You can also reach me at [jmanz@lclark.edu](mailto:jmanz@lclark.edu). Finally, I will be with Evette at her next [office hours](#) on September 27th from noon to 1 p.m- inside Fields dining room. Please stop by, say hi, and provide us your thoughts on your LC experience.

I look forward to connecting with you.

Thanks,

Jonathan Manz, PhD  
Director of the First Year Experience