13 April 2015

Dear Bridge to Success Students:

Welcome to the University of Richmond and congratulations on being awarded a full Bridge to Success scholarship. This scholarship covers the complete cost of room, board, books, and selected class fees for June term (June 21st – August 1st). Bridge to Success is an exciting and innovative program now in its twenty-third year. The benefits past Bridge to Success participants have received in academic, social, and personal skills are immeasurable. We hope that you are as excited about being chosen for Bridge to Success 2015 as we are to have you in the program.

I want to introduce myself as Program Director. I am a professor in the English department who is also affiliated with the faculties in Education and Society, American Studies, and Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. Before I began my career in undergraduate education, I was a high school English teacher, so I know first-hand how complex the transition can be between high school and university studies. You will study with me this summer, in English 103, and you'll have the opportunity to take my First Year Seminars and 200-level literature courses that meet your General Education requirements. Also, once you've studied with me this summer, my office door is always open to you for advice and help with writing. One of my main goals as Director is ensuring that you receive the support necessary to succeed at the University of Richmond this summer and in the next four years!

We hope you find the enclosed materials helpful in answering any questions that you may have about Bridge to Success 2015. We've included a manual detailing information about Bridge to Success, an Emergency Information Sheet, and the rules and expectations of the program. Release forms for the Challenge Discovery ropes course are available online at the Bridge to Success website. In order to register for Bridge to Success, please fill out, sign, and return the enclosed forms in the envelope provided to:

Dr. Nathan Snaaza
Bridge to Success
English Department; 307 Ryland Hall
28 Westhampton Way
University of Richmond, VA 23173

You also need to fill out the appropriate student health forms if you have not already done so with your coaching staff (for student athletes). The form is included and can also be found, with all forms on the BTS website:
http://as.richmond.edu/resources/bridge.html

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28 Westhampton Way
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If students do not turn these forms in, a hold may be placed on their registration and access to their residence hall may be blocked. **Please return ALL forms by June 18th.**

Students are expected to arrive on campus on June 21st between the hours of 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. Students should report to Lakeview Hall where they will be housed for the summer. A welcome reception will follow for Spiders, parents, coaches, and University of Richmond staff. A campus map is included in the BTS Manual. Classes will begin on Monday, June 22nd.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact me at nsnaza@richmond.edu or (804) 289-8300. Again, congratulations on your admission to the University of Richmond. We look forward to working with you during Bridge to Success 2015.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dr. Nathan Snaza
Director of Bridge to Success Program