

A Manual for Students and Parents Bridge to Success 2018 University of Richmond

WHAT IS BRIDGE TO SUCCESS?

The Bridge to Success program is an incredible opportunity. This student-focused program has been designed to create life-long learners who will succeed in the most rigorous of academic climates. Not only will you be exposed to the challenging academic life of the University, you will bond as a team. Bridge to Success promises to be an exciting and beneficial program for all involved.

As a transition program, Bridge to Success prepares first-year students to meet the rigorous demands and expectations of the University's academic program. The program eases you into college living and learning. Participants will receive 2 units of credit for the coursework they take during the six weeks of the program.

By participating in Bridge to Success, you will not only learn to cope with the pressures of college life, you will also build relationships with peers and faculty/staff members who will support them through their years at UR.

WHY WAS I SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN BRIDGE TO SUCCESS?

The Bridge to Success program is an honor. You are being awarded a significant scholarship of tuition, room, board, and books, will be able to get ahead on your studies at the University of Richmond, and will meet new classmates prior to your college experience.

You were chosen to participate in this program because the University of Richmond recognizes you as someone who will make a difference at the University.

BRIDGE TO SUCCESS EXPECTATIONS

The following are a list of expectations for the Bridge to Success program.

- 1. Attend ALL mandatory program activities.
- 2. Attend ALL classes and other course-related activities. This is required in all University of Richmond classes.
- 3. Complete ALL course work on time and turn in all assignments on time.
- 4. Respect ALL Bridge to Success and University of Richmond employees.
- 5. Notify a staff member if you are leaving campus for any reason.
- 6. Be present EVERY Sunday for a brief BTS meeting.
- 7. Use common sense and courtesy.
- 8. No alcohol or drug use will be tolerated.
- 9. Obey curfew policy: 11:30 Sunday-Thursday; 1:00 a.m. Friday-Saturday.
- 10. Attend study halls each week.
- 11. Follow all University of Richmond and Virginia state regulations.
- 12. Maintain a 2.0 GPA in each individual class.

Activities which result in a meeting with Dr. Snaza:

- Missing a class
- Repeated class tardiness
- Showing disrespect to any member of the University community
- Professorial complaints

Activities for removal from BTS and the University of Richmond:

- Missing more than the number of classes allotted by the professor
- Failure to achieve a 2.0 GPA in all classes
- Illegal activities (drugs, alcohol, vandalism, theft, etc.)
- Failure to attend required Bridge to Success activities

Failure to Obey Curfew Policy:

- 1st offense: Study Hall lengthened
- 2nd offense: Evening curfew shortened
- 3rd offense: Meeting with Dr. Snaza

WHAT TO BRING TO BRIDGE TO SUCCESS

This year, we will be residing in Lakeview Hall, one of the residential dorms on campus. Listed below are some of the things you may want to consider bringing for your six weeks on campus.

- Bed linens, blankets, and pillows
- Bath towels
- Clock radio/alarm clock
- Laundry basket and laundry supplies
- Umbrella/rain gear
- School supplies
- Swim suit/athletic equipment
- Athletic shoes
- Computer (if desired)
- Telephone (if desired)
- Tuition, room and board, books, and required activities will be paid by the Bridge to Success program. You will need to bring money for laundry, stamps, and general living expenses.

Please note that you will be assigned a roommate for the summer session (different from your roommate for the academic year). You may not change rooms without prior approval from Dr. Snaza and the Housing Office.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

On behalf of Bridge to Success 2018 faculty and staff, we welcome you to the University of Richmond family. This summer we have an exciting and outstanding program planned to assist your Spider in making the delicate transition from high school to college.

Since your Spider will be in residence for the six weeks of Bridge to Success, it is necessary to obtain some important medical / family background information. For all student athletes, this is handled by the coaching staff. For non-athletes, you should be in contact with Dr. Snaza as soon as possible to make sure that all required forms are on file.

In the event that your child is in need of medical treatment during Bridge to Success 2018, the procedure below will be followed.

- 1. Student Athletes will be advised first by the training staff of their team. Students will be referred Patient First as necessary.
- 2. Your insurance will be billed as the primary insurer. Under certain circumstances additional costs may be covered by Bridge to Success 2018.
- 3. All medication is at the student's expense.

Again, welcome to Bridge to Success 2018 and the University of Richmond.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mailing Address

If you wish to receive mail during the summer, please use the following address:

Your Name
Bridge to Success 2018
C/O Department of English, 307 Ryland Hall
28 Westhampton Way
University of Richmond, VA 23173

Personnel Contact Information

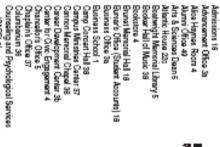
Dr. Nathan Snaza, Director of Bridge to Success Department of English; 307 Ryland Hall 28 Westhampton Way University of Richmond, VA 23173 (804) 289-8300 nsnaza@richmond.edu

STUDY HALL

Study Hall will be mandatory on weeknights Monday through Thursday 7:30-9:00. These are held in Boatwright Library so that students will have access to a computer lab as well as a quiet classroom to read / study. Students are expected to be working on course work during this time. There will be ample opportunity to seek help with papers from program Writing Consultants.

While study hall will provide ample time for students to do their work, it is not the only time students should be working. You should have more work to do outside of study hall since you will be taking two college courses.

All student athletes will have additional required daily study halls and may have further responsibilities as determined by Athletics and the coaching staff.



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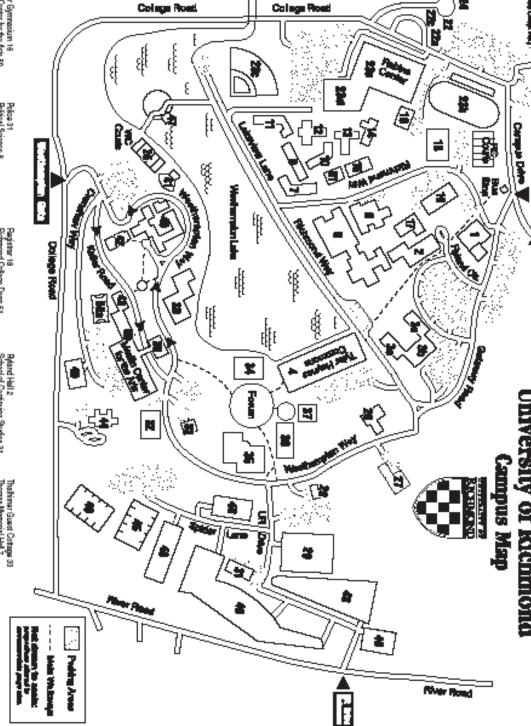
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DATES OF THE PROGRAM AND WHERE TO REPORT THE FIRST DAY

Bridge to Success will begin on Sunday, June 24th. All students are to report to Lakeview Hall where they will live for the six-week term (see Campus Map on previous page) between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Students will receive meal cards, keys to their dorm rooms, schedules, and books for classes. Any students with outstanding medical forms will need to meet with campus nursing staff.

There is a parking lot between the hall and the lake at the center of campus which is the most convenient place to park. If you enter campus from Three Chopt Road in Richmond, you can turn onto Richmond Way and then follow it to Lakeview Way (you'll turn right). The parking lot is right there.

A welcome event will be in the International Center Commons at 4:30. We will provide an introduction to the Bridge to Success program as well as an opportunity for you to ask questions, and several University of Richmond staff and faculty will address new Spiders, welcoming to the campus and providing a guiding vision for Bridge to Success. Parents, guardians, Spiders, and coaches are all invited! Light refreshments will be served.

Students will attend dinner as a group at 5:30.

The program will end on August 4th. All students must be out of their assigned dorms by 11:00 a.m. class. Please make travel arrangements accordingly.

COURSES OF STUDY

ENGLISH 103—Introduction to Expository Writing

Students will take an English course that will introduce them to critical reading, thinking, and writing across disciplines. The course is taught by Dr. Nathan Snaza (English) and will meet Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Political Science 260 – Introduction to Public Policy

This course meets the University of Richmond's FSSA (social analysis) liberal arts requirement for graduation. This course is taught by Dr. Andrea Simpson (Political Science) and will meet Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Wellness 85

You will complete in the classroom component of the mandatory wellness class during the summer (an online component will be required in the fall). This class will cover important information about drug and alcohol use, and laws and procedures relating to Title IX and sexual misconduct.

Social Activities

There will be several planned extra-curricular events this summer, usually tied to excursions into the city or events on campus that relate to one of your two classes. You may be asked to drive or carpool for off campus events. Any costs, including the cost of food during or after these events, will be covered by Bridge to Success.