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SSS Participant Commitment

SSS students commit to:

- Attending a minimum of 3 advising meetings
- Attend a minimum of 2 SSS workshops

These commitments are on a semester basis.

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Student Support Services FALL 2013

Fall 2013

A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Students:

Welcome to the University of Bridgeport and a warm welcome back to our sophomores, juniors and seniors! We hope you've had a fun and restful summer and are as excited as we are for the fall semester.

A lot of folks are surprised to learn that the SSS staff is around during the summer months. We spend a good amount of time prepping for the fall to make your transition back to school a little smoother; we hope you find this year's workshops and events helpful and rewarding.

New this year are the science workshops specifically for our students taking chemistry and biology, as well as general science courses. Be sure to take advantage of these sessions for assistance in lab assignments, as well as math for chemistry.

We are continuing with supplemental instruction this year for our Math 100 students. Our students agreed that having an expert on the course, who sits in on the class, takes notes, and is aware of assignments and exams is immensely helpful. This semester we have peer tutor Erika Perez taking on this role; visit her early and often for math tutoring.

We hope you take full advantage of the SSS computer lab. These computers are for SSS students only, and the lab is open from 8:30 to 4:30 every day, with extended hours on days that we have late tutoring. Check the lab for this semester's schedule.

We have an exciting lineup of developmental workshops on topics ranging from time management to graduate school, as well as the Freshmen Survival Series for a smooth transition from high school to university academics. We hope these help you and please be sure to let us know what worked well for you and where we can keep improving.

Lastly, this semester we will spend an evening at Long Wharf Theatre as well as an afternoon exploring historic New Haven. Check inside for more details!

We are thrilled that you have chosen to make your education a priority by committing to Student Support Services, and we wish you a successful fall semester!

Welcome back, Aamna

What our students are saying about SSS...

"I enjoyed it very much and look forward to what comes next semester"

"Keep doing what you're doing"

"The SSS staff is doing an amazing job assisting us, keep up the good work!"

"Excellent SSS program advisors"

"SSS is very useful for freshmen adjusting to the college work style"

"SSS for me this year was a good experience"

"I think everything is perfect, whenever I needed help or advice there was always someone to help me out"

"Events are wonderful and the workshops are helpful"

Spring & Summer Student Spotlight

Though the academic year comes to a halt during the summer, our students have been doing great things. We would like to take this opportunity to highlight some of the great accomplishments of our students.

Phoebe Patterson

During the summer of 2012 Phoebe interned with Pitney Bowes as a Global Product Management Intern. In this role, Phoebe had the opportunity to work in the finance, marketing, and engineering departments. During this time she met the Vice President of Asset Management and Strategic Sourcing who offered her a full-time management position. Phoebe had to decline, as she was still enrolled as a full-time student. The following April Phoebe was offered a full-time job from three different departments! She had the choice of Marketing Analyst, Marketing Associate, and Credit Card Portfolio and Reporting Analyst, accepting the third position as it's a subsection of the field she wishes to pursue and is related to what she studied in college. Congratulations Phoebe!

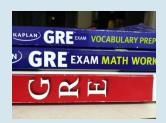


Mirandy Kim

Through the support of INROADS, Mirandy was given an opportunity to intern at Sikorsky in their finance internal controls department. This internship lasted for ten weeks and provided Mirandy the opportunity to work with finance interns from various colleges as well as gain an understanding of what a business environment is like. Throughout the internship, Mirandy attended many INROADS events such as a Learning Summit and UTC Forum, which provided workshops to enhance the internship experience. Additionally, Mirandy was tasked with working on office projects and participating in staff meetings. Mirandy, along with her fellow interns, had the pleasure of presenting to the CFO of Sikorsky and several finance managers. Mirandy shared that she was completely humbled by the whole experience and hopes to be able to intern at Sikorsky again in the future.

GRE Prep Group

A small group of SSS students with an interest in pursuing a graduate degree worked hard this summer to prepare for the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE). Facilitated by SSS tutors, our rising seniors got a head start on the GRE's in two different four-week sessions. Professional Math and English tutors Susan DeLeonardo and Robert Caciopoli taught students both content and techniques to master the exam. We recognize these students for their efforts and dedication to furthering their education. SSS wishes them the best of luck on the exam and in their applications to graduate school this fall.



Upcoming Events

FENCESAt Long Wharf Theatre



Join SSS at the theatre! "Because of his race Troy is left in a world where life's daily battles take on the scope of epic conflict." Join us for an evening in New Haven at the historic Long Wharf Theatre for August Wilson's Fences.

Date: December 5th Time: 7pm start time Location: New Haven An afternoon in NEW HAVEN

Are you tired of staying on campus?

If so, join SSS for a day in New Haven. We will visit local museums and go on a historic ghost tour.



When: October 24th from 4-8pm

College Success Tips

Set academic and personal goals that matter to you: Establish what you want to gain from your collegiate experience and what you will do to achieve your goals.

Attend all of your classes: Being present for your classes is critical. During this time you are retaining course information and having a chance to connect with your professors.

Make an effort to get to know your professors and attend their office hours: Establishing a relationship with your professors is very important. Make sure your professors are aware of who you are and can put a face to a name. Asking questions in class and attending office hours is a great way to connect with your professors.

Have a healthy balance with your academics and social life: Balance is key! It is important to focus on your academics, get involved with the community and engage with your peers. Prioritize all of your responsibilities to the best of your ability.

Develop good study habits and get help early on: There is no recipe for developing good study habits. Find what works best for you and run with it! If you find yourself struggling in a course, ask for help early on. Seeking tutoring, speaking with your professor and working with study groups are all ways you may seek assistance.

Utilize the SSS tutors and come prepared for your tutoring sessions: Come to the SSS Learning Center and work with our tutors. They are here to help you! When attending a tutoring session come prepared with an objective. Make sure to bring your class assignment, notes, book, and any other relevant materials.

Develop strong reading, listening and note-taking skills: Learning these critical skills will assist you in being an organized and engaged learner. The more you pay attention and understand what you are learning, the better prepared you will be for quizzes and exams. Talk to your SSS advisor or a tutor about ways to develop these skills.

Get involved on campus and become aware of your campus resources: Put yourself out there! Be active on campus attend events and workshops, or even join a club. Getting involved helps you gain both social and leadership skills, which are great lifelong learning competencies.

Stay connected to your SSS advisor and the SSS program: At SSS, we are committed to helping you be the best student you can be. By staying involved with SSS you will not only receive individualized advising, attend our workshops and cultural events, but you will also belong to a supportive and intimate community on campus.

SSS Dean's List & President's List

Kristyn Andrade	Nikki Hendricks	Crystal Parks		
Raquel bejar	Maria Jara	Dominick Pereira	•	
Kristen Bell	Alphea John	Phylicia Prince		ı
Jade Blair	Rajia Johnson	Diana Regis	•	
Lakiksha Bryan	Stelle Joseph	Shanasia Shelton		
Maria Camacho	Natasha McIntosh	Tiffany Sime	•	
Crystal Candito	Zenovia Melendez	Cynthia Stancil		
Jasmine Cates	Monica Mesias	Capreece Taylor	•	A
Christina Cuevas	Neisa Nelson	Gervon Thompson		Tri
Jessica Deutsch	Neely Neverson	Julynette Torres	•	
Aja Edwards	Emily Ngaopraseutsack	Taylor Trotman		E
Brianna Falconer	Faustina Nimneh	Radames Vargas	•	
Joyann Foster	Jessica Nwabuoku	Capri Wright		Mar
Dantazia Frazier	McKenzie Parent	Kajin Yousif	•	

Elena Cela
Mariah Dookie
Elroy Douglas
Karissa Espada
Iris Hernandez
Anthony Huynh
Trichelle July-Lindo
Mirandy Kim
Brandon Lleras
Kevin Matos
Marvalee Washington

Simon Arias

Dean's List and President's List are prestigious academic honors. Dean's List applies to those students who are of full-time status and received a grade point average of 3.2 or higher. President's List applies to those students who are of full-time status and received a grade point average of 3.7 or higher.

Student Support Services would like to congratulate our students who made Dean's List and President's List for the Spring 2013 semester. Through hard work and commitment, these students did exceptionally well.

Congratulations and keep up the good work!

In August 2010, the U.S Department of Education awarded a 1.1 million dollar Student Support Services grant to the University of Bridgeport. This grant is to provide a range of services, including academic advising and tutoring, to help qualified low-income, first generation college students, and students with disabil ities, boost their academic performance and successfully complete college.

Meet Our New Graduate Assistant

Student Support Services is excited to introduce the newest addition to our staff, Rawan Shilleh. Rawan is our Graduate Assistant and is in the Counseling Education program, focusing on College Student Personnel. For her undergraduate career, Rawan attended the University of Connecticut (UCONN) and double majored in Human Development & Family Studies and Psychology. While at the University of Connecticut, Rawan had the opportunity to grow personally and professionally. Rawan is very grateful for the administrative, advising, and problem-solving skills she obtained through her role in the Student Services Department at UCONN. Rawan is a very hard working and driven individual. She appreciates the opportunities she has had and is very passionate about diversity, helping others and her family. Rawan is excited to begin this next journey in her career and looks forward to working in the Student Support Services office at UB.



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