Welcome to Burlington and to the University of Vermont- we are all so excited to have you here! This is your schedule until the start of coursework on June 3rd.

Remember: If you have questions, ask them! You can ask your PA Team (Alyssa, Kasey and Will), Continuing Education Staff (Janet and Shilpa), and OIE Staff (Evan and Emma)! We are ALL here to help!

Saturday, May 26, 2012

- All Day  Arrival at your summer bridge residence hall: University Heights South
  Welcome to your home for the summer! Take this evening to get settled into your room. Introduce yourself to your roommate and Program Advisors (PAs), and try to get to sleep on time – it will help the jetlag!

Sunday, May 27, 2012

- 10:00 AM  (UHeights South Study Room & Lounge)  “Getting Settled Orientation”
  Meet Program Advisors Kasey and Will and Lead Program Advisor Alyssa and get tip to get settled in your first few days. They will explain where you can shop (for food, household items, electronics), and how to get around Burlington. You will also review the USPP Summer Bridge Code of Conduct.

- 12:00 – 12:15 PM (Harris Millis Dining Hall)  Overview of what to expect this week
  Emma Swift, Assistant Director for International Student Services, will give you an idea of what to expect during this orientation week.

- 12:30 PM (Harris Millis Dining Hall)  Summer Dining Options
  The majority of your meals during Summer Bridge will be “cafeteria-style” in Harris Millis Dining Hall. Ruby Hsu will answer your questions about dining plans for the summer, how and where to use your meal plan, and information about the types of dining options. You can have lunch in Harris Millis afterwards.

Monday, May 28, 2012

- All Day (Various Locations)  Optional Activities with PAs
  PAs will coordinate activities and games to help you get acquainted with one another. They will help you understand what “Circles” and “Ice Breakers” are, and help you meet some other UVM students!
  
  o  “Circles” are a way for us to connect and share information as a community. You will continue to experience “circles” in your residential community at UVM as well.
  
  o  An “ice-breaker” is “a beginning activity that relaxes a tense or formal atmosphere”. Icebreakers are designed to help us relax and get to know each other.
Tuesday, May 29, 2012

Meet in the UHS Lobby at 9:15. Bring your passport, and a way to pay for books (credit card)!

- **9:30 AM (CatCard Office, Davis Center)**
  Get your CatCard (= UVM Student ID)
  Program Advisors (PAs) will take you to the Cat Card Office where you will get your photo taken for your UVM ID Card. This card is very important and is necessary for many processes (and even discounts!) at UVM and in the Burlington community. You can use this card to ride the busses in Burlington for free!

- **10:00 AM (Davis Center)**
  Locate your mail box for summer
  PAs will show you summer mailboxes. Try opening your mailbox, and share the address with your parents!

- **10:30 AM (Davis Center)**
  Davis Center Tour
  Tour UVM’s student center, the Davis Center, and visit the dining options available over the summer.

- **11:00 AM (Davis Center)**
  Buy Summer Bridge Books
  Pick up and pay for your summer bridge books. **Bring a Credit Card or other valid form of payment**

- **12:00 – 1:30 PM (Harris Millis)**
  Lunch

- **Afternoon**
  Running Errands
  Time to go do important things to get settled. Program Advisors can give you advice on setting up a bank account, buying a cell phone, buying a computer, or purchasing any other items you might need.

Wednesday, May 30, 2012

Please make sure to bring along your: Passport, I-20, I-94 Card, and Immunization Forms

- **9:00 – 10:00 AM (L/L Room 216)**
  Introduction to the OIE & Immigration Check-in
  After an Opening Circle, Meet Office of International Education Staff and learn about how the OIE can support you. We will take copies of your immigration documents during this time.

- **10:00 – 11:00 AM (L/L Room 216)**
  F-1 Immigration Regulations
  Office of International Education staff will review all of the important things that you need to know about the rules and responsibilities of holding an F-1 status. Pay attention – this is VERY important!

- **11:00 – 11:45 AM (L/L Room 216)**
  Complete paperwork and Tax Information
  You will fill out an “International Information Sheet” and other OIE paperwork. We will ask you to provide information for an emergency contact person at this time – please bring the name, phone number, and email address of the person or people you would like to have contacted in case of an emergency.

- **11:45 – 12:00 PM**
  Tour of Office of International Education (OIE)

- **12:00 – 1:00 PM (Harris Millis)**
  Lunch
1:00 – 2:15 PM (L/L 216) 
Center for Health & Wellbeing and Health Insurance
Ms. Margaret Johnson (Insurance and Immunization Records), Ms. Jill Hoppenjans (Student Health Center), Ms. Denise Pickering and Mr. Walter Brownsword (Counseling Services) from the Center for Health and Wellbeing will explain what to do when you are sick, on-campus health services and your health insurance. 
Immunization forms will be collected.

2:15 – 2:30 PM (L/L 216) 
Closing Circle

2:30 – 4:30 PM 
Campus Resources Treasure Hunt 
Small teams of USPP students will go on a hunt for resources around campus. You must find important offices on campus and complete different tasks. Teams who complete the tasks win a prize, and there is a special reward for the winning team! ** OIE Staff will provide Instructions**

Thursday, May 31, 2012

8:15 AM (L/L 216) 
Opening Circle

8:30 – 9:30 AM (L/L 216) 
Overview of Summer Bridge
Ms. Janet Nunziata and Ms. Shilpa Dewoolkar of the Continuing Education Department will provide an overview of the Summer Bridge program, introduce staff and answer your questions.

9:30 – 10:00 AM (L/L 216) 
Academic Standards At UVM
Dr. Brian Reed, Associate Provost, will explain academic standards at the University of Vermont. This presentation will outline what grades are expected of you to succeed and continue your studies at UVM during Summer Bridge and beyond.

10:00 – 11:00 AM ((L/L 216) 
Academic Support Services at UVM
Ms. Sue Dinitz and Ms. Patience Whitworth will discuss the various services available at UVM to help you succeed in the classroom. They will also give tips on how to be successful in US University Classrooms!

11:00 – 12:00 PM (L/L 216) 
Academic Integrity and the UVM Code of Conduct
Ms. Lara Scott and Ms. Deanna Garrett-Osterrmiller from the UVM Center for Students Ethics and Standards Office will discuss academic integrity, FERPA, and other important policies that you need to know. There will also be a review of the USPP Summer Bridge Code of Conduct by Ms. Jilly Warner, from the Office of Admissions.

12:00 PM (L/L 216) 
Closing Circle

12:15 – 1:00 PM (Harris Millis) 
Lunch

1:00 – 4:00 PM (Kalkin Computer Lab) 
Accuplacer Test
All USPP students must take a *short* English assessment to understand your current language abilities. Your PA will take you to the computer lab in small groups at a pre-assigned time during this afternoon.
Friday, June 01, 2012

- **9:00 – 10:00 AM** Campus Tour
  PAs will take you on a tour of the UVM campus and point out different buildings that will be important to you during the Summer Bridge and while you are a student here at UVM. You will finish at the Library.

- **10:00 – 11:00 AM** Bailey-Howe Library Tour
  Trina Magi and Elizabeth Berman from the Bailey-Howe Library will explain the services provided to students. Learn about Reference Librarians, how to request a book, and much more.

- **11:00 AM – 12:45PM (Harris Millis)** Lunch

- **12:45 PM (L/L 315)** Opening Circle

- **1:00 – 2:00 PM (L/L 315)** Safety and You (with Sue)
  Officer Sue Roberts from Campus Safety will give you tips on staying safe and obeying laws in the USA.

- **2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (L/L 315)** Adjusting to Life in the USA
  OIE Staff will discuss how to make a successful transition to living in the USA, and a panel of international students will share tips for meeting Americans, living away from home, and being successful in Vermont!

- **3:30 PM (L/L 315)** Closing Circle

- **4:30PM - 6:00 PM (Livak Ballroom)** USPP Presidential Reception
  Acting President John Bramley, his wife Janet Bramley, and Provost Knodell host a reception to celebrate the new class of USPP Students. A group photo will be taken at this time. Dress up a bit, perhaps!

Saturday, June 02, 2012

- **9:30 – 4:00 PM** Ropes Course
  Students spend the day at the Adventure Ropes Course on the UVM Campus, which consists of elements, constructed of cables, ropes and wood, attached to trees. Your day will begin with warm-up and trust activities, then move into problem-solving initiatives, and low and high challenge course elements. You will spend the day getting to know this summer's USPP Summer Bridge group in the great outdoors.

- **6:00 PM** Free Time to Discover Burlington
  Program Advisors will take groups of students downtown, or show you how to get there. Try out a new restaurant, explore the stores, or visit the waterfront. Time to get to know Burlington a little bit better

Sunday, June 03, 2012

- **All Day** Free Time
  Spend time unpacking, relaxing, and hanging out with friends. Your PAs will let you know of any activities!