

Summer Transition Program for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder

The College Program for Students with ASD at Marshall University offers a Summer Transition Program dedicated to rising high school seniors, recent high school graduates, and incoming Marshall students who would like to experience college living and academics prior to full-time enrollment. This program gives students a chance to take a college level course, experience life on a campus, participate in fun social activities with peers, and strengthen their independence. The priority is to experience college life in a safe environment and ease the transition to college. The Summer Transition Program is held during Marshall's Summer Session III, which generally falls between mid-July to mid-August. Summer Program supports are provided in three main areas:

Academics

High school students will apply for provisional admission to Marshall University for the purpose of enrolling in a college level course of their choice. **This is a separate application process.** The Marshall University application for High School Students can be found here: <u>http://www.marshall.edu/admissions/files/EarlyAdmissionApplication04.24.13.pdf</u>

*Admission to Marshall University is a pre-requisite to being considered for admission into The College Program Summer Transition Program.

All students are encouraged to choose a class of interest to them that will be enjoyable and educational during the summer. Suggestions can be provided by our College Program staff. Students receive comprehensive supports to succeed in their college course, such as testing accommodations, assistance with professor advocacy, tailored to-do lists, and structured academic time.

Independent Living

Upon acceptance, students will apply for housing and choose to have a single or double room in the residence halls. This is a *separate* application process that is initiated by the student or student's family.

Social Skill Development

Each participating student will be assigned a mentor. Mentors are responsible for frequent communication with professors, resident life staff, and college program staff on behalf of or in collaboration with students.

The structure of daily activities, including nights and weekends, will be individualized and planned in advance. The Summer Program includes lecture time, facilitated study time, social skill group sessions, and planned social gatherings with peers. Organized outings are to be determined based on the session enrolled and the interests of the participants.

The design of the **5-week** Summer Transition Program is individualized, but a glimpse of a typical schedule for a participating student is as follows:

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:00		Wake-Up/	Wake-Up/	Wake-Up/	Wake-Up/	Wake-Up/	
		Meds	Meds	Meds	Meds	Meds	
9:00		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
10:00	Wake-Up/ Meds	CMM 103	Wake-Up/ Meds				
11:00	LAUNDRY	CMM 103	Brunch				
Noon	Brunch Meet with CP Team	Lunch	Lunch Meet with CP Team	Lunch	Lunch Meet with CP Team	Lunch	Heritage Farm Ice Cream @ 12pm
1:00	Study Hall	Walking Group	Gym Workout	Gym Workout	Gym Workout		Study Hall
2:00	Study Hall	Discovery Group		Discovery Group		Discovery Group	Study Hall
3:00		Gym Workout	Museum of Art @ 3pm	Reading	Pullman Square @ 3pm	Gym Workout	
4:00	Gym workout	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Gym Workout
5:00	Dinner	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Dinner
6:00		Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	
7:00							
8:00	Dorm Check						
9:00	Set alarm charge phone Meds						

West Virginia Autism Training Center

The College Program for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder is located within the WV Autism Training Center on Marshall University's Huntington Campus. Our staff members are happy to assist you

with any questions regarding the summer support programs. Program staff can be reached by calling 304-696-2332.

<u>Housing</u>

The Department of Residence Services staff wants to help all residents enjoy their time living on campus at Marshall University. They can help in any way with the process of applying for housing, or with any concerns or questions that arise while you live on campus - please call us at 1-800-438-5391, (304) 696-6765 or you can fax them at (304) 696-6161. You can also email them at <u>residence-services@marshall.edu.</u>

Admissions

If you have questions regarding admission requirements or the application process, you may contact Undergraduate Admissions staff at 1-800-642-3499 or <u>admissions@marshall.edu</u>. Once we have received your application, application fee and all required admission credentials, your file will be reviewed and you will receive notification of our admission decision.

The Summer Transition Program fee is \$1,500. This cost is in addition to tuition, housing, and meal plans.

College Program fees are billed through each students Marshall University CashTracks (through MyMU) or checks can be made out to Marshall University and mailed to:

The West Virginia Autism Training Center's College Program One John Marshall Drive, Old Main 316 Huntington, WV 25755

Office of the Bursar (tuition payment)

One John Marshall Drive, Old Main 101 Huntington, WV 25755-4200 (304) 696-6620 Fax: (304) 696-3588 E-mail: bursar@marshall.edu

Financial Aid Office

One John Marshall Drive, Old Main 120 Huntington, WV 25755 Phone: 1-800-438-5390 Fax: (304) 696-3242 Email: <u>sfa@marshall.edu</u>

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