



Student Transition Program

Greetings Scholars!

I am pleased to welcome you to the Student Transition Program (STP) at the University of Mary Washington (UMW)! I look forward to meeting and working with you in the coming months and upcoming academic year. On that note, I assure you that my team and I are working hard to prepare for the approaching summer program so that we may provide you, **STP 2022**, with a great first experience at Mary Wash!

The STP summer pre-college experience will run **Monday, July 11th-Friday, July 22nd**. Over the next couple of months, I will send you a series of messages (as necessary) with updates about the schedule and other pertinent information regarding the STP summer experience. In the meantime, here's what I can begin with:

- **New Student Orientation (NSO):** STP participants are encouraged to register for New Student Orientation (NSO) session **five: Monday, June 27th-Tuesday, June 28th**
 - During NSO session five, there will be an allotted time scheduled for an '*STP Meet & Greet*' that will consist of:
 - i. an overview of STP and an introduction of the summer staff and counselors
 - ii. updates about the summer and fall
 - iii. a Q&A session
 - *****If it is better suited for you to attend a different NSO session, no problem! Contact me and we can discuss an alternate plan.***
- **Move-In/Move-Out:** STP participants will reside in **Virginia Hall** during the summer experience. **Move-in** will take place on **Sunday, July 10th** between the hours of **8:00am-12:00 noon** and move-out will be **Friday, July 22nd** beginning at **3:00pm (program participants are asked to be out of the residence hall by 8:00pm)**.
- **Summer Housing Assignment:** Program participants will live on same sex hallways, where-in-which, female and male students will reside on separate floors within the residence hall (i.e., Virginia); sex in this matter is defined as an individual's biological makeup. All STP students will be randomly assigned a roommate of the same sex and will share a suite area (i.e., bathroom) with two additional program participants of the same sex who will live in an adjacent room. If you have any questions and/or concerns about rooming assignments, please feel free to contact me directly.
- **COVID Precautions:** Besides vaccines, the wearing of a well-fitting mask is highly effective at preventing the spread of the coronavirus, including its variants. Consequently, masks will be highly encouraged indoors, particularly in classrooms and meeting spaces.
- **Summer Course(s):** During the summer, program participants will complete two courses worth 3-credits total, applicable towards your degree. **IDIS 111: How to Succeed in College Pt. I (2-credits)** will focus on helping students to develop a personal system of learning, studying, and communication strategies to effectively navigate college life. The second course, **IDIS 191: Liberal Arts and the World of Work (1-credit)**, is a career exploratory course in which students will explore, discover, and evaluate their own interests, values, strengths, and skills as related to UMW academic programs and potential careers.



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- The course(s) will be taught via face-to-face instruction.
- Textbooks will be provided.
- **Health & Wellness:** STP requires that program participants submit all required documentation by the UMW Health Center prior to arriving to campus for the summer experience. The forms are located in the health center's '**Student Portal**', highlighted in yellow on the left-side of their website; you can access the portal through the following [link](#).
- **Disability Resources:** The Office of Disability Resources (ODR) has been designated by the University of Mary Washington as the primary office to guide, counsel, and assist students with disabilities. If you feel you require accommodations for your summer/fall 2022 classes and/or throughout your time at UMW, please complete the [Registration Form](#) and [provide appropriate documentation](#). ODR specialists will work diligently to provide you appropriate accommodations starting summer 2022. If you are in need of [Housing Accommodations throughout your time at UMW, please complete the required registration form and provide your Housing Accommodation Request Form as soon as possible. Should you have questions, or specific needs around housing, ODR also recommends you contact their office at 540-654-1266.](#)
- **Program Participant Forms:** Please refer to the [STP website](#) for more information pertaining to the program. In particular, you're probably wondering what to bring and/or what your daily schedule may look like. Under the '[Participant Forms](#)' tab, you'll find the following three documents:
 - **'What to Bring for STP'**
 - **STP 2022 Rules & Regulations** (*sign and return on move-in day*)
 - **Important STP Summer Dates for Families**

I will continue to provide updates regarding the summer program, as necessary. In the meantime, if you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at (540) 654-1726 and/or email me.

Can't wait to meet and work with you,

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