

Freshman Summer Academy 2018

Frequently Asked Questions

Am I required to attend?

Yes. If students have been accepted to Buffalo State College as a student enrolled in the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), you are required to attend the mandatory EOP Summer Program.

How long is the Academy?

The Summer Program is a three-week residential program that runs from **July 11th through August 4th, 2018**. All students must stay on campus during the entire three-week program, including weekends.

What does the EOP Summer Academy cover?

The EOP Summer Academy is **FREE** and will cover meals, housing, class materials, workshops, and weekend travel. In addition, students will earn up to 4-credit hours for summer courses. Please note the program **DOES NOT** cover any of the expenses listed above for the Fall semester

Where will I be living?

Students will be housed in Porter Hall. Students are assigned to a standard double and a roommate upon arrival. Local students are required to live on campus as well. Room changes will **NOT** be accommodated unless there is a medical issue and official documentation is provided.

Where do I eat?

Students will be eating in the Bengal Kitchen residential dining facility. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided during the week, and brunch and dinner on the weekends. The program covers meals for the duration of the Academy.

Is this an academic program only?

No. We have workshops, meetings with counselors, meetings, recreational and social activities, and networking opportunities planned as part of the summer schedule. Students will receive a summer schedule upon arrival.

What is my Banner ID?

Students have received their Banner ID number with their college acceptance letter. Students will use their Banner ID to look up their financial aid package, student class schedule, etc. More information can be found at <https://rite.buffalostate.edu/new-student-setup.html>

Are we allowed to have guests during the program?

NO! As a safety measure, outside guests will not be permitted in the residence hall or allowed to stay overnight.

Can I arrive late or leave early for the Summer program?

No. Participants must be present on the scheduled check-in and check-out days to ensure that students receive full academic credit for their participation and pre/post-tests are complete. Students who arrive after the scheduled check-in date will not be able to participate. Students who leave early will risk their academic progress/final grades. Classes taken in the Summer Academy count towards the student's Grade Point Average (GPA)

Can I work during EOP Summer Program?

No. Your daily schedule is packed with schoolwork, activities, workshops...you will not have time to work. We know this is a significant sacrifice for many of our students. We hope to ease the potential burden by providing the EOP Summer Academy **FREE** for all participants.

Can I go home on weekends if I live close to campus?

No. Students may not leave campus for the duration of Summer Program unless there is an emergency and the Summer Academy Coordinator or the Director of EOP approves it.

Should I bring a laptop or computer?

Desktop computers are not permitted. Participants may bring their laptop, however, the program is not responsible for any personal items that might be lost or stolen.

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Can I bring a car?

Students may not have personal vehicles during the EOP Summer Program.

NO.

Am I allowed to leave my belongings until I return in the Fall?

NO. Students are advised to bring only what is needed for the 3 week program. The room will need to be cleared of all belongings at the end of the program. Students are allowed to bring One Luggage and One small personal item (i.e: duffle bag, book bag). Please refer to the “**Things TO/ Not To Bring**” list posted on our website.

How do I do laundry?

The residence hall is equipped with laundry facilities that are pre-paid. You **do not** need to bring quarters!

Can my family send me mail/care packages?

Participants may receive packages. Your summer address is:

Attn: <<insert participant name>>/EOP Summer Academy

Buffalo State College
1300 Elmwood Avenue
Porter Hall (Assigned Room #)
Buffalo, NY 14222

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING AND NOT BRING?

Please refer to the Things To/Not To Bring list on our website. **WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST OR STOLEN ITEMS!**

How far away is Buffalo, NY?

For many of our participants, Buffalo is quite far from home. Students from New York City can expect to be approximately 8-9 hours from home. Local students might be 20 minutes to an hour from home. Many students find that they don't have time to be homesick, but those who are, receive a lot of care and support throughout the summer.

What if I need to get supplies, toiletries, etc. during my stay?

Trips to our local supermarket home shopping stores (Walmart/Target) occur throughout the program. Students will be going to Target on or around the 2nd day of the program for students to purchase additional items if needed.