



2012 Camp College at Bradley University
July 9 – July 11, 2012

What is it?

Through the support of the Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC), *Camp College* is a free opportunity for rising seniors to learn about aspects of the college search and application process from college and high school counselors. Students will be able to have the experience of living on a college campus, while attending sessions on the college application process. Camp College will take place at Bradley University in Peoria, IL. Students will be provided food and lodging free of cost.

Sessions will cover the following topics:

- How do I search for colleges that I've never heard of?
- How do I choose which colleges to apply to?
- What do colleges and universities look for in prospective students?
- What is the process for applying to schools?
- How do I pay for college and why might I be able to afford a more expensive school?
- How do I present myself in an essay or an interview?
- How do I make the transition from high school senior to college freshman - successfully?

Campers will be paired with a counselor-mentor who they retain for the school year and follow-up activities will be coordinated throughout the year. In the fall, students can expect an invitation to attend a campers-only program during the fall of senior year. A second opportunity to reconnect with campers, mentors and college representatives will take place in the spring of senior year. This program will allow campers to work through the financial aid process and learn about scholarships, along with transitioning from a high school student to a successful college student.

When will it take place?

Students are expected to arrive by 11:00 am on **Monday July 9, 2012** and will depart after lunch on **Wednesday July 11, 2012**.

What does it cost?

Students will pay a \$20 deposit that will be refunded at the program's conclusion. Because of the generous support of IACAC and other sponsors, the camp can be offered with no cost to the students.

How will students get to Bradley for the camp?

If possible, students should provide their own transportation to Camp College. Depending on the location of selected students as well as their transportation needs, Camp College may provide buses to pick up students in centralized locations and then bring them back to those locations on the final day of the program. Please indicate on the application the student's transportation options. If a student has a unique transportation issue, please indicate that on the application.

Who should apply?

This program is designed for students from non-traditional backgrounds who would benefit from exposure to this information. The selection committee will give additional consideration to students from rural areas, first-generation college students, and students from schools with a low percentage of college-bound students. *Students should have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.*

What is the application process?

1. The process starts with an application from the student with the nomination filled out by an adult familiar with the student. The form can be emailed, mailed, or faxed to Anabel Duarte, Ashford University. Three students per school are permitted to apply. The committee would like to have a broad range of students from different backgrounds, schools, and areas of the state. *The deadline for applications is Friday, April 13, 2012.*
2. The committee will select approximately forty students to participate in the program. *Students will be notified of their selection by Friday, May 25, 2012.*
3. Selected students will have their parents or guardians sign a permission form and send in a \$20 deposit by Friday June 1, 2012. (The \$20 will be refunded upon completion of the program.)

Where do I send the application?

Applications and questions concerning Camp College can be sent to Anabel Duarte at anabel.duarte@ashford.edu. Applications can be sent via email, mail, or fax to:

Anabel Duarte
Admissions Representative
Ashford University
400 N. Bluff Blvd
Clinton, IA 52732

Phone Number: (563)249-1435

Fax number: (563)243-6102

Email: anabel.duarte@ashford.edu

Thanks for your interest in *IACAC Camp College*. With your help we hope to make this a beneficial experience for your students.



2012 IACAC Camp College Student Application

Application Deadline: Friday, April 13, 2012

Instructions: Students should complete Part 1 of the application and return it to their nominator, including the written statements and a stamped, addressed envelope if it is to be mailed. **Nominators** should complete Part 2 of the application and email, mail or fax it to the address noted above.

Part 1 – To be completed by student:

Student’s Name _____
Last First

Address _____
Street Apt.#

City State Zip

Gender Male Female

Ethnicity White Black/African American Hispanic/Latino Asian Multicultural

Did either of your parents graduate from college? Yes No Comments _____

Will you need assistance with transportation to Bradley University? Yes No

If you cannot, we may schedule buses to pick students up at a location relatively close to their hometowns. Would you be interested in such a service and be able to get to a common meeting point? Yes No

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Parent/Guardian Day Phone _____

Parent/Guardian Evening Phone _____

High School _____

High School Address _____
Street City Zip

High School Counselor _____ Email _____

Grade Completed in 2011 _____ Cumulative GPA _____ (4.0 Scale)

Class Rank (if applicable) _____ PLAN or ACT Score _____

NOTE: Students must also include either an official or unofficial high school transcript in order to complete the application process.

Please respond to each of the following. You may submit your responses on a separate sheet if necessary.

1. Why does this program appeal to you? (200 words or less)

2. What makes you a good candidate for this program? (200 words or less)

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Part 2 – To be completed by nominator

Name _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

School / Agency Name _____

School / Agency Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

How do you know this student? _____

Current Grade Level _____ Cumulative GPA _____ (4.0 Scale)

Class Rank (if applicable) _____ PLAN/ACT Score _____

Why do you believe this student would benefit from this program?