



BEACON COLLEGE

SUMMER FOR SUCCESS

A 3-WEEK IMMERSION EXPERIENCE
FOR RISING HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS &
SENIORS WHO LEARN DIFFERENTLY



FOCUSING ON THE TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO COLLEGE

JULY 7 – 26, 2019

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Beacon connects meaningful studies with student interests for an unforgettable summer of learning.

Summer for Success

Our summer program aims to give college-bound students who learn differently the skills, confidence and preparation to successfully transition from high school.

We do so by helping them better understand their learning differences, recognize early stumbling blocks and know what they need to succeed in their first year of college.

Our core courses are structured to meaningfully prepare students for college to be more effective and confident learners. Most importantly, students get to experience what it's like to live — and learn — on a college campus.

Program Highlights

Students attending our exciting summer program:

- Participate in two core courses, plus electives of interest
- Experience real college life with exposure to the expectations, assignments and time management skills needed for college success
- Gain important strategies and life skills that can be applied immediately to their high school studies
- Meet current Beacon faculty and students
- Learn how to self-advocate and make the most of essential college support programs
- Participate in a variety of campus activities and join in weekend excursions to Orlando area theme parks and other outdoor ventures

FIND A COMPLETE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
AND A TYPICAL DAY'S SCHEDULE AT:

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WHY BEACON?



SUNDAY, JULY 7 – FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019

Added Value: Individualized Awareness Overview

The family of every summer program participant will receive a personal “Awareness Overview” that is designed to help the student prepare for college study. Developed by an educational psychologist at Beacon, the overview summarizes a student’s strengths as well as areas requiring additional focus that were identified by the Summer for Success faculty and staff.

Summer Schedule

All students follow the same schedule with classes held Monday through Friday. On weekends, students enjoy a variety of on-campus and off-campus activities.

During the week, students begin their days with breakfast at 8 a.m., followed by two core courses lasting 80 minutes each. Lunch is served from noon to 1 p.m., followed by 30 minutes of free time and announcements. Elective classes are offered in the afternoon.

The rest of the afternoon includes personal time for gym use, study and relaxation, followed by group activities, guest speakers or other programs, dinner (5:30 to 6:30 p.m.), games and student life events. The day winds down at 11 p.m., when all students are expected to be in their residence halls.

Located an hour’s drive from Orlando, Fla., Beacon College is the nation’s leading four-year college for students who learn differently.



For more than a quarter century, Beacon College has been the recognized leader in offering affordable, career-focused baccalaureate degree programs for students with learning disabilities, ADHD and other learning differences.

Performance that Counts.

More Beacon students persist in their studies – and graduate faster – than the national average for all students.

CORE COURSES

Get Ready For Success!

Join your fellow summer students in two required core classes that will prepare you to be a more effective and confident learner. All students will take **Learning Essentials & Self-Discovery**. You also will be placed in one of the other two core courses below, based on your responses to a questionnaire we will send you after admission to the program.

LEARNING ESSENTIALS & SELF-DISCOVERY

The choices we make every day impact our success in college and life. This course will introduce you to key concepts that are critical to effective decision-making, in and out of the classroom — from self-motivation and personal responsibility to self-management and believing in oneself. You'll also explore your individual learning style and effective learning strategies you can use.

WRITING AN EFFECTIVE ESSAY

Knowing where to start is the critical first step in writing an effective essay. You'll learn how to choose a topic and develop a compelling and well-structured essay that persuasively communicates your message. This will be a valuable experience to help you write your personal essay for your college application.

LANGUAGE FUNDAMENTALS

This course will give you strategies to improve your understanding of academic text when writing and reading, and also covers fundamentals of English. You'll learn how to organize and plan to enhance your academic growth and classroom success.

ELECTIVES Explore Your Interests

Advance your college skills or explore your personal interests by **choosing one** of the following electives:

1 A SPECIAL DYNAMIC: HUMANS & ANIMALS

The science of anthrozoology studies human-animal interaction. In this hands-on course, you'll explore the relationships that develop between humans and animals in our homes, on farms, in zoos and aquariums, and in the wild. Beacon is one of only two colleges in the country to offer a major in anthrozoology.



2 DIGITAL VIDEO

Editing digital video and audio is an essential part of developing multimedia web content for education, entertainment, business and advertising. Students in this class learn both the technical and artistic aspects of video post-production, and experiment with visual effects — including digital animation and green screen compositing.

CONTINUING YOUR LEARNING
Have questions or need help?



3 FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH, THEME PARKS, AND PIRATES: EXPLORING THE STORIES OF FLORIDA

This immersive and action-oriented course will allow students to explore Florida's past by making the humanities come alive. This creative course will examine the story of Florida by exploring the state's history, stories, and culture. Students interested in creative writing will find rich opportunities to develop their writing skills.



4 INTRODUCTION TO THEATER ARTS

The world of Broadway is brought to life in this course as students explore the elements of theater production, design and performance.

5 PREPARING FOR COLLEGE MATHEMATICS

Get ready for the challenges of college math with this confidence-building, interactive course. Experience first-hand why Beacon College students have demonstrated success in their college math classes. This course is custom designed to meet you where you are in your math abilities. This is a great option for those who excel at math as well as those who are looking for more support to prepare for college math.



6 TECHNOLOGY SKILLS & APPLICATIONS

Technology has changed the way the world works. Individuals who understand how technology works and how to apply it are in high demand. Enhance your computer literacy and build your skills through this important hands-on course focusing on desktop productivity. Learn how to use technology to work faster and solve problems.



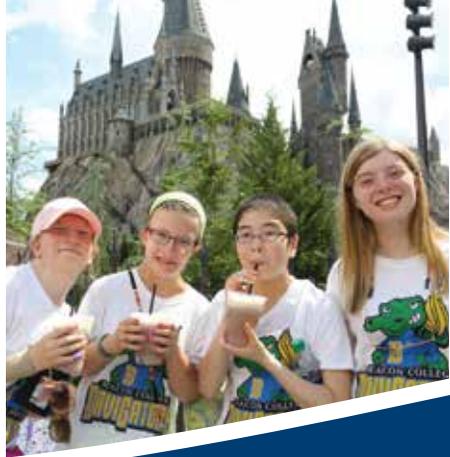
7 THE SCIENCE & STUDY OF HUMAN BEHAVIOR

What's going on in the human mind? Why do people do the things they do? This course provides an introduction to psychology and examines the mind, brain and human behavior. Gain a better understanding of your own thoughts, feelings and behaviors, as well as those of the people around you.



Your professors are available to meet one-on-one during summer office hours and other academic support services are available to help maximize your learning.





Activities & Get-Aways

In the afternoons and evenings, summer students have the opportunity to:

- Stay fit in Beacon's workout center
- Enjoy films and follow-up discussions
- Showcase their talents at karaoke and open mic nights
- Unwind with video or board games, table tennis, billiards, or foosball matches
- And much more

Weekends feature a variety of on-campus and off-campus activities, such as:

- Day trips to one of Orlando's many famous **theme parks**, such as Universal Studio's Islands of Adventure and Disney World
- Swimming and water sports
- Special student life events, including movie nights, music and dancing, picnics and team competitions

Costs & Scholarships

The all-inclusive cost for Beacon's Summer for Success is \$5,250. This includes tuition, room and board, materials, transportation and admission fees to all off-campus activities.

Scholarship support is available to students with demonstrated need.



Where You'll Live

All Summer for Success students will be housed at Beacon's newly opened residence hall, which features suite-style living with private rooms for every student. Led by an experienced resident life professionals, the residence hall also features multiple gathering spaces for student activities.



If you'd like to visit Beacon to experience our innovative approach to learning for yourself, register today for a personal tour or open house at BeaconCollege.edu/visit

“It’s nice to meet different people who traveled from all over the country to be here. It shows how good Beacon is. It’s the perfect balance here between fun and learning.” [Kelly](#)

“I’ve learned to never be afraid to ask for help. Just raise your hand and people will happy to help to help you.” [Alex](#)

“It’s so much better to be around people who understand you what you’re going through. I don’t think twice about asking questions because I know the people around me have the same exact questions I do.” [Veronica](#)

“I’ve really enjoyed the Beacon College program. Living away from home, staying in the dorms, taking sample classes — it’s cool to get a taste of college before you go. It’s pretty life-changing.” [Grace](#)

Questions?

Email the Office of Admissions at admissions@beaconcollege.edu or call **352-638-9731** or **855-220-5376** (toll-free).

You can download our application at BeaconCollege.edu/summer



APPLICATION CHECKLIST

SUMMER FOR SUCCESS

SUNDAY, JULY 7 –
FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019

Applicants for Beacon College's Summer for Success should complete and submit the following materials:

- Completed and signed summer application
- Application fee \$25, made payable to Beacon College
- Official high school transcript showcasing work completed to date
- Parent statement
- Two (2) completed recommendation forms
- Course selection form
- On-campus, telephone, or Skype interview
- Optional: Psychoeducational testing or IEP/504 documents



“I’VE NEVER BEEN THIS FAR AWAY FROM HOME AND I’VE ALREADY MADE SO MANY NEW LIFELONG FRIENDS.” Laura



2019 SUMMER FOR SUCCESS APPLICATION

Student Information

First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____

Permanent Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Student Email Address _____

Student Mobile _____ Alternate Phone _____

Yes! Contact me by text message!

Date of Birth _____

Gender Male Female

We also invite you to share more about your gender identity here _____

Please indicate your preferred mode of contact: Phone Text Messaging Email

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes No If no, country of citizenship: _____

If other than U.S. citizen, please give status and VISA needs.

High School Information

Name of High School _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Anticipated Graduation Year _____ College Counselor's Name _____

Counselor's Phone _____ Counselor's Email _____

Have you taken the SAT or ACT? Yes No If yes, dates: _____

If yes, what were your scores?

Educational Background

Describe your specific learning difference or challenge:

- Reading Writing Mathematics Auditory/Visual Processing Language-Processing/Speed
- ADHD Expressive/Receptive Language Organization/Time Management Executive Functioning

What academic courses do you find most difficult? _____

What academic courses do you enjoy the most? _____

What academic supports, if any, have helped you in the past? _____

What skills and strategies do you hope to develop by participating in the Beacon College Summer for Success program? _____

How did you learn about the Beacon College Summer for Success program? _____

Please list your employment, volunteer work, or extra-curricular activities: _____

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from school? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

Parent and Family Information

PARENT 1 Father Mother Stepparent Legal Guardian Other

Parent's Name _____

Address (if different than student's) _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Job Title _____

Name of Employer _____

Parent Email Address _____

Parent Mobile _____

Alternate Phone _____

PARENT 2 Father Mother Stepparent Legal Guardian Other

Parent's Name _____

Address (if different than student's) _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Job Title _____

Name of Employer _____

Parent Email Address _____

Parent Mobile _____

Alternate Phone _____

PARENT 3 Father Mother Stepparent Legal Guardian Other

Parent's Name _____

Address (if different than student's) _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Job Title _____

Name of Employer _____

Parent Email Address _____

Parent Mobile _____

Alt. Phone _____

Parent Statement

Parents are asked to provide a brief overview of the student's personal learning style. Parents are also invited to share any concerns they may have or additional background that they feel would be helpful. The statement should be typed or printed on a separate sheet of paper and submitted with this application.

Statement of Understanding and Release

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this application is complete and accurate. I realize that failure to disclose, fully and accurately, all facts related to this application shall be grounds for dismissal from the Beacon College Summer for Success program. If admitted, I pledge to comply with all rules and regulations of Beacon College.

I also understand that students not prepared to put forth thoughtful and considerable effort toward achieving the program goals, or who have issues secondary to academic performance that require their focus, may have difficulty achieving the learning outcomes of the program.

I authorize Beacon College to request and receive all academic records of any school attended, or other information needed, to complete my application.

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent (if student under age 18)

Date

Beacon College admits students of any race, color, gender, national and ethnic origin, or sexual orientation to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, national and ethnic origin or sexual orientation in the administration of its educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other college-administered programs.

Please Mail

Please mail this completed Summer Application for Admission, Course Selection Form and supporting documents to:

Beacon College Office of Admissions

Summer for Success Program, 105 E. Main Street | Leesburg, FL 34748

admissions@beaconcollege.edu

Toll-Free: 855-220-5376 | Fax: 352-787-0796



2019 SUMMER FOR SUCCESS COURSE SELECTION FORM

Student _____
First Name Last Name

All students take three courses:

1. Learning Essentials & Self Discovery (*required of all students*)
2. Language Fundamentals **OR** Writing an Effective Essay (*Course placement will be based on your responses to a questionnaire which will be sent to you upon admission to the summer program.*)
3. Choice of a Course Elective (*see below to select your elective*)

Elective Course Selection (*see pages 3-4 for course descriptions*)

Students should indicate their top three choices for their elective course. We make every effort to provide students with their first choice. However, class size is limited for this program and class enrollments are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Early submission of this form is highly recommended!

Please indicate your first, second, and third choice by placing the appropriate number (1, 2, 3) beside your selections.

- _____ A Special Dynamic: Humans & Animals
- _____ Digital Video
- _____ Fountain of Youth, Theme Parks, and Pirates:
Exploring the Stories of Florida
- _____ Introduction to Theater Arts
- _____ Preparing for College Mathematics
- _____ Technology Skills & Applications
- _____ Science & Study of Human Behavior

Please Mail

Please complete this Course Selection Form and return with completed Application for Admission. **Courses cannot be assigned until the student is admitted into the program.**

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TEACHER, COUNSELOR OR PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION **1**

1. Instructions for the Student

This recommendation form should be completed by a teacher, counselor, or professional who knows you well. Please do not ask a relative or personal friend for a recommendation. Please note that two recommendations must be submitted as part of your application.

Once you have decided who will provide your recommendation, please complete lines 1-a and 1-b below, and then give this form to the person whom you have selected. He or she should return the completed form directly to Beacon College.

1a. Student Name _____

1b. Full Name of Person Providing Recommendation _____

2. Instructions for the Recommender

The above-named student has applied to Beacon College's Summer for Success Program. The goal of this program is to expose students to strategies and skills that will allow them to become more effective and independent learners, as well as immerse participating students in an engaging college experience.

Please complete the STUDENT RECOMMENDATION form. We ask you to candidly share your thoughts about this student's specific challenges, motivation, academic performance, honesty, ability to set realistic goals, interpersonal skills, sense of humor, and any other observations relevant to his/her performance. Because of the specialized nature of our program, any information that would help us to respond successfully to the student's learning needs is especially helpful. On a separate sheet, please include any additional comments you think might assist us in evaluating this student's application.

CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY

Your effort to realistically assess the potential of this candidate is greatly appreciated. This form and any additional comments/recommendation you provide will be used for admission and advisement purposes by Beacon College for its Summer for Success Program.

Recommender's Signature _____

Date _____

Recommender's Title _____

Relationship to Student _____

Years Acquainted with Student _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Email Address _____

Student Recommendation

Based on your relationship with and knowledge of the applicant, please provide a candid assessment of his/her characteristics in the following areas:

	Not Challenged	Moderately Challenged	Very Challenged	No Basis for Judgment
Developing and sustaining friendships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coping with conflict	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Participating in group activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completing homework	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conversing with peers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Taking notes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organizational skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comprehending reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-advocating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Socializing skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Study habit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sustaining focus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Managing time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Working independently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I recommend this student for studies at Beacon College's Summer for Success Program:

- Enthusiastically With reservation Do not recommend

Are there any other comments or insights you could provide to assist us in evaluating this student's attitude, motivation, and potential to succeed in Beacon College's Summer for Success Program?

Recommender's Signature

Date

Submitting Your Recommendation

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