

The Bridge to Success Summer 2015 Expansion

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Since its inception during the summer of 2012, the Bridge to Success, SUNY Broome's first accelerated content literacy workshop, has served more than 150 students. The brainchild of a *Thinktank* initiative, the Bridge rewrote traditional developmental and remedial literacy objectives with the understanding that its students were underprepared for college, not developmentally delayed.

Reasons for underpreparedness vary widely and include, among other factors, inadequate academic preparation (a "soft" senior year, for example, that doesn't include an adequate math or science course), insufficient monetary resources, unfamiliarity with college culture, or widely held academic misconceptions ("it won't matter if I turn this paper in three weeks late...").

The key to the Bridge's success is "frontloading," a variety of comprehension, critical thinking and communication strategies students generally use in foundations courses. Student performance is then analyzed on an individual basis, in conjunction with high school transcripts, career objectives and departmental advisors. Recommendations are based on student need, and individuals are connected with resources and support services before the semester even begins.

Added benefits include the opportunity to meet faculty and staff, as well as familiarize oneself with offices and resources campus-wide. Completed in advance of the semester, students are better prepared to find the resources they need, when they need them – and to ultimately be successful.

The Bridge has now expanded to include both an English Writing Bridge and an MAT 096 component. Please call Mrs. Robinson, the Bridge to Success Enrollment Specialist, at (607) 778 -5038 for more information regarding both the Literacy and English Bridges. For Math, please contact Professor Melanie Williams for more information at (607) 778 – 5126.



Students may pre-register [here](#). An informational brochure can be found [here](#).

Advisors may find the following useful:

CRN's (course identification numbers)

Session	Literacy	English	Math
July 27 - August 7	8091	8093	8089
August 10 - August 21	8092	8094	8090

The *Bridge* Team would like to thank you for your continued support!!

Respectfully Submitted,

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