

**Upward Bound Bridge Program**  
**2009**

**To be considered as a Bridge student you must complete and turn in all of the following by January 31, 2009 @ 4:00 in the Trio Center.**

- 1.) Read and sign the obligations and terms of the Upward Bound Bridge Program.**
- 2.) Answer the following using short essay responses:**
  - a. What qualities do you possess that would make you a successful Bridge Student?**
  - b. Why do you feel you should be chosen as a 2009 Bridge Student?**
- 3.) Complete a one page typed essay on “How has Upward Bound impacted your college choices?”**

# **Upward Bound Bridge Program**

The Bridge program is the final Upward Bound component in which seniors can participate.

## **Requirements to attend the summer Bridge Program**

1. Attendance (or made-up) at Upward Bound Saturday Activities.
2. Attendance (or made-up) at Upward Bound senior meetings (2/month from Oct-March).
3. Took ACT/SAT by December 2008.
4. Completion of Spring Reward Trip Guidelines by April 27, 2009.
5. Completion of one college admission form, copied and filed by March 30, 2009.
6. Completion of a scholarship application form, copied and filed by March 30, 2009.
7. Completion of the FAFSA, copied and filed by March 30, 2008.
8. A letter of acceptance from the college you plan to attend, copied and filed by April 27, 2009.
9. Student Aid Report (This is the report you receive which tells you how much financial aid you will receive) – SAR must be copied and filed by April 27, 2009.
10. Sign college transcript release forms by April 27, 2009.
11. Submit \$60.00 deposit by May 18, 2009.
12. Take SSU Placement Test by June 1, 2009. The Placement Test is not required if the sections of the ACT English and Math are 22 or above.
13. Exit interview with Assistant Director/Program Assistant by April 27, 2009.

14. If **invited**, I plan to participate in the 2009 Upward Bound Bridge Program.

Yes       No

15. Do you want Upward Bound to hold your stipend to pay your \$60.00 deposit?

Yes       No

*I fully understand the above obligations and agree to these terms.*

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Name

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School

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Date

## **I. Bridge Component**

Upward Bound students graduating from high school and planning to attend college in the fall participate in a five-week residential college program which provides graduated students with the opportunity to take one college class. The students live in Shawnee State University residence halls, receive books and supplies, and receive tutoring when needed. The program runs from June - July 2009, however the semester will run through the month of July. Students will be responsible for their own housing, meals, and transportation to a from campus for class once the residential program is over.

Students participating in the Bridge component will live in Shawnee State Residence Halls under the supervision of the Upward Bound resident advisors during the residential component.

As college students, Bridge students, are responsible for adhering to University and Upward Bound rules. In order to help prepare the Bridge students for a successful entry and continuation into college life, develop good personal and study habits, and maintain the good relationship that Upward Bound has with the University, the following policies have been established:

### **A. Classes**

Upward Bound Bridge students will register for one college class prior to moving into the residence halls for the summer. Classes will meet daily for five weeks. Class attendance and completion of all assignments are necessary to remain in the Summer Bridge Program. Students will enroll in classes, which will fulfill the general class requirements for graduation at most colleges. In addition to the college classes, students will be required to meet with the Bridge supervisor weekly. Textbooks will be purchased by Upward Bound. Students must bring the exact title, cost, and the name of the book to the Upward Bound office after their first class. The professor will give them the above information about their book at the first class meeting.

Bridge students are required to attend all classes. Staff will closely monitor class attendance. Students who have more than three unexcused absences from class will be asked to leave the program. As stated in the student handbook, skipping class or sleeping in class will not be tolerated. Students will be required to complete three hours of library study time per week.

### **B. Fees**

Summer tuition and fees are paid for Bridge students. A \$60 DEPOSIT, HOWEVER, MUST BE PAID BY MAY 18<sup>th</sup>. This deposit is the student's financial contribution to the Bridge program and security for any damages that might occur in their residence hall room. It will be returned within 4 - 8 weeks after the program, provided there are no damages and that the student completes the academic class with a "C" or better.

### **C. Pass/Fail**

Every student must pass (C or better) after the first final exam: All students receiving below average marks ("D" - less than acceptable, "F" - failing grade or an "I" - incomplete) must meet with the Director.

D. Work Component

All Bridge students have the flexibility to work. Work must be scheduled around the classes being taken. Otherwise, they will attend classes as established by Upward Bound.

E. Curfew

Bridge students will abide by Bridge Program rules.

F. Activities

All Upward Bound activities such as dances, trips, etc. are open to Bridge students unless specifically denied by the Director. Students must obtain a "C" or better in their collegiate classes. Students will be required to attend all scheduled Bridge Program group meetings. **If a student receives a "D" or "F" in the summer class, then the person will be unable to attend the final summer trip.**

G. Questions

Should Bridge students need special help, the Bridge supervisor will be available daily. Special meetings will be called throughout the five-week program as needed.

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**Contract for Upward Bound  
Bridge Program**

- I will follow all rules as outlined in the Bridge handbook.
- I agree to take a college class and obtain a "C" or better, but if I do not receive a "C" or better, then I will forfeit my \$60.00 deposit and will not attend the final summer trip.
- If at any time I have trouble understanding material in the class, I will tell the Bridge supervisor. I agree to attend all scheduled class times.

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Name

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Date