

## CAMPUS LIFE

The Division of Campus Life works with Brevard students to create and maintain a campus environment that enables the development of the whole student through a range of activities, services, and programs and are committed to creating an atmosphere of community among students, faculty, staff, and the world in which we live. We believe in the healthy development of every member of the community, as we work together to understand and improve the world around us.

Campus Life is staffed by professional staff and student residents who serve in the following areas: Community Development and Personal Development and Wellness. Community Development focuses on the development of an active student community through activities, programs, service, housing, leadership development, and security. Personal Development and Wellness focuses on the individual student issues that may arise in a student's developmental growth during college in areas of medical, counseling, and health education. Throughout our services, we emphasize social consciousness and encourage students to become healthy, responsible, educated, contributing members of the community in which they live.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community Development consists of the following areas: Center for Service Initiatives, Community Living, Campus Security, and Student Involvement. With the help of student leaders, professional staff members in each area work to intentionally engage students and enhance learning through community involvement.

#### Center for Service Initiatives

In support of the Brevard College motto, "Learn in Order to Serve," the mission of the Center for Service Initiatives is to create opportunities for and to inspire students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community to engage in mutually beneficial service partnerships. The Center is a clearinghouse for ideas and resources to match the interests of those looking to serve and the needs of our community. In addition to advertising opportunities, the Center will celebrate the impact that is made through community service and service-learning.

The Center for Service Initiatives is supported by a group of students called T-M.O.V.E. (Team - Mobilizing Opportunities for Volunteer Engagement). This group of students is motivated to serve their community and to get others involved as well.

A great tradition at Brevard College is Move-A-Mountain Day. This day of service unites students, faculty, and staff with the community in the spirit of fellowship and volunteerism. As part of fall and spring welcome week, faculty and staff help with community service projects at various locations around the city of Brevard and Western North Carolina. Service sites are carefully chosen so that students are exposed to a diversity of experiences and citizens in the Brevard area.

## Community Living

Brevard College is committed to being a residential college and our residence halls provide the atmosphere for some of the most important learning experiences students have at Brevard College. Our goal is to provide the most appropriate housing for each student. We have paraprofessional student staff members, known as Community Directors (CDs) who live in each residence hall to guide the development of a community and assist students as they learn to bring balance to their lives. Student leaders, known as Resident Advisors (RAs), work closely with residential students as they transition and grow at Brevard College. The residence hall communities begin each year creating Community Standards, which assist residents in living and learning together with open communication, trust, and respect for each other.

Brevard College has a general expectation that all students participate in the residential experience by living on campus while allowing for certain qualifying exceptions and appeals procedures. Therefore, Brevard College assumes that all students will live on campus, and those who do not wish to do so must either meet a policy exemption or appeal to move off campus. For details about such exemptions and appeal procedures, please refer to the Student Handbook.

### Student Conduct Off Campus

Students who live off campus are expected to be good citizens. Students who violate College policy or local ordinances will be subject to the Social Code Review Process as outlined in the Student Handbook. Throughout the semester, Campus Life will review the behaviors of students residing off-campus. Police reports generated by Brevard Police Department will be forwarded to the Dean of Students who will follow up with the students involved.

### Commuter Classification

Any student not living in residence is considered a commuter student. If a commuter has a change of address, that student is required to notify the College Registrar of the new address, in writing, within 15 days of the change of address.

Students who are eligible to apply to live off-campus are those students who are free from academic and disciplinary probation and meet one of the following criteria:

1. Become 21 years of age no later than the end of the semester for which application is made to live off campus.
2. Achieve senior status before turning age 21.
3. Be married.
4. Commute from a legal guardian's home in Transylvania County or contiguous county.

An application to live off-campus must be submitted following procedures in the Student Handbook.

### Campus Security

Brevard College Campus Security Officers are here to educate the students, faculty, and staff about protecting themselves and their property. Campus Security Officers also respond to campus emergencies. Campus Security works closely with the Brevard Police Department and the Transylvania County Sheriff's Office to promote a safe campus community.

Students receive a key to their rooms and any security doors to the residence hall. Keys should not be loaned to other people. Students are encouraged to keep their rooms locked at all times as the College cannot assume responsibility for personal valuables in student rooms. Students are recommended to insure property against loss, take photos and record serial numbers on valuable equipment, and clearly mark all personal property. Students are expected to respect the right of other residents.

All student, faculty and staff vehicles parked on campus must be registered with Campus Security.

### **Student Involvement**

Campus Life provides direct staff support for student clubs and organizations, with special emphasis given to Student Government Association (SGA) and the Campus Activities Board (CAB). A variety of opportunities are provided throughout the year to engage students in the campus community.

### Student Clubs and Organizations

Student clubs and organizations reflect the energy and interests of a vibrant, involved, creative student body. Campus organizations and activities are open and available to all students without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, or veteran status. Each organization, however, has the right to establish its own standards, including a minimum grade point average, as long as the "Equal Opportunity Policy" is not violated. It is the responsibility of each student to balance participation in activities with academic responsibilities for success at Brevard College. Student organizations are recommended for recognition by the SGA, subject to the approval of the College through the Dean of Students.

### Student Government Association (SGA)

SGA seeks broad representation from students in order to make a difference in academic and campus life. This organization gives students invaluable experience in leadership and governance. The SGA has three branches: the executive branch, consisting of the president and the executive council; the legislative branch, consisting of the senate, the house and its committees; and the judicial branch.

### Campus Activities Board (CAB)

CAB is comprised of a diverse group of students who are responsible for providing a variety of student events on campus. CAB ensures that each experience provides an opportunity for networking, leadership development, strong friendships, and lasting memories.

### Campus and Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE)

Campus and Outdoor Recreation Education provides students with a number of ways to get involved with life on and off campus through hands-on educational opportunities encompassing intramurals, gym activities, club sports, and outdoor offerings.

Intramurals at Brevard College provide an opportunity for athletes and non-athletes alike to engage in friendly competition and enhance skills through a variety of events. Open gym areas for students include a free weight room, an exercise room, a movement room, a recreation room, and an auxiliary gym.

Several student organizations involving club sports work to provide activities for students to pursue interests in disc golf, rock climbing, paddling, and other outdoor experiences.

Outdoor Recreation offerings encourage students to interact within the natural environment of Western North Carolina. Students can learn new skills and enhance their current skills at regularly scheduled skills clinics. Weekend trips provide opportunities for students to explore the local mountains, rivers, and caves. A gear rental program also allows students to check out necessary equipment for use on weekend excursions.

### Student Publications

Brevard College provides students with several opportunities to apply both research and creative writing skills through campus publications. Each publication team has a faculty advisor who serves as mentor to the students in producing publications that maintain the highest quality while reflecting the College's philosophy and spirit of personal growth.

*Chiaroscuro*, a multimedia magazine of literature and art, is published each spring. Students, faculty, and staff submit original works for inclusion in this innovative publication produced by a student editorial staff.

The campus newspaper, *The Clarion*, serves as the voice of Brevard College students. The editorial staff and participating students produce interesting, informative, and newsworthy articles and photographs for the College community.

### Special Events

The College makes a special effort to provide a wide variety of special events for the campus community.

The Music Department provides student and faculty recitals and ensemble concerts throughout the year. An annual event, "A Little Now Music," brings composers and performers to campus for several days of workshops, talks, and performances. In addition, guest performers and scholars in jazz, classical, and sacred music are invited to campus to give master classes and to lead workshops.

The Department of Theatre Studies offers four productions per year. Involvement in these productions, either onstage or behind-the-scenes, is open to all Brevard College students.

The Porter Center for Performing Arts demonstrates the College's long-term commitment to the performing arts by providing an acoustically superb concert hall for students, faculty, and nationally known performers, many of whom work with our students in

demonstrations and master classes. The Morrison Playhouse is located in this building along with faculty/staff offices.

**Special Lectureships:** The Grace Creech West Lectureship focuses attention on important themes and enhances various BCE courses. The Purgason Family Life Lectures emphasize the importance of the family in American society and encourage the development of Christian attitudes and values in that context. The Margaret Griffith and Embree H. Blackard Lecture in Sacred Music is delivered by musicians, theologians, historians, and educators of national and international renown.

**Homecoming:** A time to reminisce and renew friendships, Homecoming continues to be a popular time to visit campus. It reminds everyone on campus of the special place that Brevard College claims in the hearts of its graduates. During a weekend each October, graduates return to campus to celebrate and remember their heritage with classmates and faculty and staff.

**Family Weekend:** Held in the early fall each year, Family Weekend provides a fun-filled and informative weekend of activities, during which parents actually can attend classes and meet with individual faculty. A special dinner for Seniors is held at this time to recognize them with a Senior Pin.

**Spring Fest:** A weekend late in the spring semester is set aside for Spring Fest events ranging from live bands, games, and rides to SGA's wacky games competition, "Bizarre Wars."

## PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND WELLNESS

Wellness encompasses physical, emotional, intellectual and social health. Brevard College offers programs that enable students to participate in and be educated in these aspects of wellness. Our purpose is to assist students in maintaining a high level of wellness so that they might achieve their academic goals.

### Counseling Services

The primary purpose of counseling at Brevard College is the prevention of serious problems, as well as providing an opportunity for personal growth and development. The Stamey Center offers short-term personal counseling as well as educational/support groups. Recognizing that the college years are a time of transition and development, professional counselors are available to listen, encourage, and support students in the academic and personal aspects of their lives. In appropriate situations, counselors may refer students to other professionals in the community.

Other supportive services are provided by a variety of campus personnel. Student resident advisors (RAs) work with community directors (CDs) to provide peer counseling support as well as monitoring compliance with the Student Code of Conduct. The RAs place particular emphasis on helping new students adjust to college life. Academic counseling is provided by assigned faculty advisors who assist students in designing academic programs commensurate with their academic goals. Faculty advisors help students resolve other problems, often by referral. The Dean of Students also provides guidance, as appropriate.

## Medical Services

Perhaps for the first time in their lives, students will be making their own decisions about personal health. Our medical services staff helps students learn what they need to know to become effective managers of their own health. In addition to providing clinic services five days per week, the medical staff remains on-call for emergencies or just to talk with students concerned about how they are feeling.

An experienced registered nurse is on duty from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. On a regular basis, a Health Care Provider meets with students who need diagnosis or prescriptions. The Health Care Provider's visits are covered under student fees.

If a student needs additional medical services, he or she will be referred to community physicians and these charges will be the responsibility of the student. For serious emergencies, students have access to the fully staffed emergency room of Transylvania Regional Hospital. Mission/St. Joseph's Hospital in Asheville is only 45 minutes away by car and less by emergency helicopter.

Students must retain their own primary health insurance, and the medical staff assists students in arranging this, if needed. Brevard College provides a secondary insurance policy that covers students only after the primary insurance has paid. The Director of Medical Services aids students in filing for insurance, but the student must initiate this process by seeing the medical services staff. Medical Services provides routine services without charge, but students must pay for such services as x-rays, lab tests, prescription medicines, and other procedures.

## Religious and Spiritual Life

Seeking to respond to the rich diversity of religious traditions and spiritual practices represented among community members, the College has created a multi-faith Religious and Spiritual Life program while still maintaining its affiliation with the United Methodist Church. Inspired by the ministry of the United Methodist Church, we welcome a diversity of religious preferences among students who are seeking to learn and to nurture their spiritual paths.

This program seeks to foster both a spiritual and an intellectual journey for participants, and it centers on a vision in which all expressions of faith are celebrated and in which dialogue about common moral, ethical and spiritual issues is encouraged. The Religious and Spiritual Life Program is coordinated by the Dean of Students and supported by various Campus Life staff, faculty, and a newly created Multi-faith Student Council. Religious and Spiritual Life strives to support the spiritual, educational and worship needs of all Brevard students. Support for the spiritual journeys of students, faculty and staff both within and outside of institutional religious contexts is offered through a series of programs on moral, ethical and spiritual issues.

## Student Code of Conduct

The College has clearly stated standards for behavior in the community. These are set out in the "Social Code" published in the Student Handbook. The standards are designed to enable our students, faculty, and staff to work together in an environment of mutual respect. The Social Code reflects the goals, values, and philosophy of Brevard College in

order to promote a safe environment in which the rights of all people are protected. By joining the Brevard College community, we all agree to follow and uphold these standards for behavior. Any questions relating to the Social Code can be addressed to the Dean of Students' Office.

## Honor Council

All members of the Brevard College community are expected to abide by a code of academic integrity. Dishonesty in any form undermines the efforts to create and maintain an atmosphere in which students can develop a sense of self-worth and establish patterns of personal excellence. Instructors may establish penalties for plagiarism or cheating on an individual basis, or may submit cases involving Honor Code infractions for review by the Honor Council. Procedures for Honor Council review are outlined in the Student Handbook.

## ATHLETICS

Brevard College boasts a distinguished and successful history in intercollegiate athletics, winning nine national team championships as a junior college (1937-2000). During this period, more than 200 Brevard College student athletes received All American honors. After completing the transition to a four-year institution in 2000, the College became an active member of the Appalachian Athletic Conference (AAC) of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). Over the next eight years, Brevard athletic teams earned 10 conference titles and made 9 national tournament appearances.

A new era of Brevard College athletics began in 2006 as the Tornados initiated the transition process from the NAIA to NCAA Division II while also adding football, cycling and cheerleading as varsity sports. Brevard College was officially granted active NCAA Division II and South Atlantic Conference membership status on September 1, 2008. In just two years of eligibility, every single BC Athletic team has either recorded a South Atlantic Conference win or made it to the postseason South Atlantic Conference tournament. The men's basketball team won Brevard's first South Atlantic Conference Championship and the Cycling team was named the 2009 Fall Mountain Bike National Champions. Brevard has also seen multiple athletes and coaches receive both All-Conference and All-Region recognition as the Tornados look to establish a pattern of success both in the NCAA and the South Atlantic Conference.

### Brevard College Varsity Sports

Men	Women
Baseball	Basketball
Basketball	Cheerleading
Cross Country	Cross Country
Cycling	Cycling
Football	Golf
Golf	Soccer
Soccer	Softball
Tennis	Tennis
Track	Track
	Volleyball

## OTHER STUDENT SERVICES

### Food Services

Everything from full meals to light snacks is offered daily in the A.G. Myers Dining Hall and Coltrane Commons Food Court operated by ARAMARK Food Services. Real Food on Campus features a wide variety of selections including freshly baked breads, vegetarian selections, and rotisserie foods. The Coltrane Commons Food Court features Java City, serving gourmet coffees and pastries and Grille Works gourmet burgers and sandwiches.

Residential students have three meal options to match their lifestyle as part of their on campus living and dining experience. They can choose either unlimited access to the dining hall, from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. until 7 p.m. on weekends, plus \$50 declining balance in the food court, or 14 meals per week in the dining hall plus \$125 declining balance in the food court, or 10 meals per week in the dining hall plus \$175 declining balance in the food court. Commuting students may purchase declining balance dollars which provide a discounted rate for meals and allow access to the dining hall and food court throughout the semester, or may pay at the door. Coltrane Commons Food Court hours vary. More information on operating hours, dining options, and menus is available by calling 828.883.8180 or by logging on to [www.brevard.edu/campus\\_dining](http://www.brevard.edu/campus_dining). The food service manager works closely with the Student Government Association and the college's student/faculty food committee to insure that campus needs are met. A suggestion board in the dining hall allows students to leave additional notes for the manager.

### Bookstore

King's Creek Books, operated for Brevard College by Follett Higher Education Group, is located in Coltrane Commons. It is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. During special events, such as Family Weekend and Homecoming, the bookstore has extended hours. King's Creek Books has the usual mix of college merchandise such as new and used books, school supplies, clothing, gifts, health and beauty aides, candy, snacks, and drinks. It also carries phone cards, art supplies, and postage stamps. Services include check cashing, buy-back and gift certificates. Clothing and gift telephone orders are welcome. Call 828.883.8612 or go online at [www.brevard.bkstr.com](http://www.brevard.bkstr.com). Students must show their college ID for check cashing and buy-back.