



Dear Providence College Families,

Well, we are finally at the end of February! Although it is the shortest month of the year, for some of us, it just seems to drag on forever. It's been a cold and windy winter in Rhode Island, and so I look forward to the promise of spring. With that being said, I need to remind myself that March can have some wintery weather surprises for us, so I will keep my fingers crossed for milder days ahead.

Since we are at the mid-semester mark, for many students this can be an especially stressful time. Before heading out for spring break, they are preparing for exams and working to meet deadlines for papers and projects. If students are feeling a bit overwhelmed, you can recommend that they connect with a counselor, a chaplain, a dean, a faculty member, or even drop by the Student Health Center. There are "helpers" all over campus — students just need to seek them out.

Our Blog this month highlights the Spring Career EXPO which will take place on March 19. Whether your friar is exploring internship possibilities, looking to make alumni connections, or focusing on post-graduation opportunities, this event has something for everyone and students from all classes and all majors are invited to attend. For more information about the EXPO and how you can help your students to make the most of their experience please visit: <https://parents.providence.edu/the-spring-career-expo-something-for-everyone/>.

Finally, I am excited to share that The Ben Mondor Center for Nursing and Health Sciences opened in January on the first day of classes for the spring semester. This new academic home for programs in nursing, health sciences, and health policy and management also include features available to the college community, including a 100-seat classroom, a chapel, study spaces, and a cafe. To learn more about the Center please visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVVdbsNeIF0>.

This email provides information regarding important dates, deadlines, and campus resources. If you have questions regarding any of the programs or events contained in this message, please contact the specific office involved. Additionally, this "[Ask A Question](#)" link provides a quick and easy way for me to respond to your questions, within a few days of receiving them.

God bless.

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***COMMENCEMENT 2025**

Cap and gown ordering closes in one week!

Remind your students to order their cap and gown as the deadline of March 5, 2025 is fast approaching. Emails with information regarding Cap and Gown Day, scheduled for April 9, 2025, and ordering information have been sent to all members of the class of 2025, since the fall semester. Undergraduates in the class of 2025 will continue to receive emails with information regarding Commencement activities and important details for graduates.

All updates to Commencement information and both the Student and Parents/Families Guides to Commencement, are available on our website: <https://commencement.providence.edu/>.

***2025-2026 HOUSING SELECTION INFORMATION**

Housing Selection for the 2025-2026 academic year is underway. All members of the Class of 2028 and most members of the Class of 2027 (unless they have been approved by the Office of Residence Life to live off campus) are required to live on campus unless commuting from the home of a parent or guardian. We have enough housing for all undergraduate students who are required and/or desire to live on campus. Students can now begin forming roommate groups on their eRezLife account. Housing selection dates are as follows.

- Class of 2026: Monday, March 3rd
- Class of 2027: Wednesday, March 5th
- Class of 2028: Wednesday, March 26th (apartments, McCarthy/Suites, Shanley/semi-suites) & Monday, April 14th (traditional hall triples) *

**Approximately 35% of the Class of 2028 will live in traditional halls next year (Guzman & St. Joseph Hall). We recognize the demand for apartment, suite, and semi-suite housing among the rising sophomore class surpasses the inventory. All students who have complete groups (i.e., 4 students for a 4-person Shanley semi-suite or 4 students for a 4-person apartment) are*

encouraged to try for their first housing choice on Wednesday, March 26. However, please recognize that at a certain point in the day the inventory of apartments/suites/semi-suites will run out and students will be notified there are none of these options left. Students will then be able to pick a traditional hall room on April 14th. The 2½ week timeline between Class of 2028 selection dates is purposely designed to give students the time to come up with a new housing plan if they are not able to select an apartment, suite, or semi-suite. An example of a new housing plan could be three groups of four students who did not receive housing in Shanley on March 26th joining together to form four triples and selecting housing on the same residence hall floor on April 14th.

The [Office of Residence Life](#) is available to advise any students needing assistance with the housing selection process (401.865.2392 | reslife@providence.edu).

***RESIDENCE HALL CLOSING SCHEDULE**

Please keep in mind the following [residence hall closing schedules](#):

- Spring Break: Residence halls close Friday, March 7th at 7 p.m. and do not reopen until Sunday, March 16th at 12 p.m.
- Easter Break: Residence halls close Wednesday, April 16 at 7 p.m. and do not reopen until Monday, April 21st at 12 p.m.
- End of Semester: Residence halls close Friday, May 9 at 7 p.m. for non-graduating students and Monday, May 19 at 12 p.m. for graduating students

***THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

Are you interested in renewing or applying for need-based financial aid for the next academic year? The [FAFSA](#) and [CSS Profile](#) applications for 2025-26 are now open and require information from the 2023 tax year. Returning students must complete these applications by April 15, 2025.

We encourage all students to create their [Student Forms](#) account through the [TORCH Portal](#). Once they set up their account, students will receive text and email updates whenever we request documentation, and they can submit it directly through the portal.

***CENTER FOR GLOBAL EDUCATION**

Development of Western Civilization

Class of 2028 – [CIV in London](#) Study Abroad Opportunity (Spring 2026)

CIV in London [applications](#) are due **March 31**.

Info session: Monday, March 3 at 7:00 in Ruane LL05

This program allows students during the spring semester of their sophomore year to complete their DWC sequence and other academic requirements in the global and historically rich city of London. Next year's faculty directors are [Dr. Jeff Johnson](#) of the History Department and [Dr. Alex Moffett](#) of the English Department. Also, please check out "[a day in the life in London.](#)"

***THE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

The School of Arts and Sciences is excited to announce a new major in Data Science! The new major will equip students with the computational and analytical skills required to solve complex, data-driven problems across various disciplines. Current students with a Data Science minor in the class of 2027 may be able to change their minor to a major, and any member of the Class of 2028 should be able to complete the requirements in time for graduation. For more information, please contact [Dr. Liam Donohoe](#), the Chair of Mathematics and Computer Science.

***PROVIDENCE COLLEGE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

Remind your students to check out our website at <https://business.providence.edu/>. This is a great place for information on PCSB undergraduate policies, resources, and upcoming events.

***SPRING CAREER EXPO**

On March 19th, the [Chirico Career Center](#) will host its annual [Spring Career EXPO](#), featuring the *Job, Internship & Community Partners Fair*, and the *Graduate School & Programs Fair*. Encourage your student to head to Peterson beginning at 2:30 p.m. to explore career possibilities. If they need help preparing for the EXPO, suggest they attend our Prep Week events, *EXPO Do's & Don'ts* on March 17th at 4:00 p.m. and *Resume Review Day* on March 18th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

***STUDENT ACTIVITIES – GETTING INVOLVED THIS SPRING!**

- Spring is the season of club applications and elections! Encourage your students to attend any coffeehouses or info sessions they see on the [events calendar](#)! Urban Action, BOP, BMSA, and Student Congress will be holding their programs over the next month!
- Coming soon...the Spring Concert will be announced! The Spring Concert is exclusively held for our PC Undergraduates to attend! BOP coordinates booking the talent and spreading the word about ticket sales and information.
- In March, [SEAL](#) will be holding March Madness events, Game Watches, a St. Patrick's Day celebration, and our annual Spring Kick Off! Please have your students follow [@pcfriarlife](#) Instagram to stay up to date with upcoming events and ways to get involved!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BURSAR

Payment Policy:

Outstanding indebtedness to the College will result in a financial hold being placed on a student's account. This prevents a student from registering, receiving a degree or transcript. Seniors with outstanding indebtedness will be unable to receive a cap & gown and participate in Commencement activities.

Registration for Fall 2025 will begin in April. If you have been set up as an authorized user by your student, you may review the student account information at <https://commerce.cashnet.com/pcepay>.