PROVIDENCE | PARENT COLLEGE | PARENT & FAMILY PROGRAM

Dear Parents and Families of Providence College Students,

I hope that your summer has been going well. It is hard to believe that August is here and that your student will soon be returning to PC to begin a new academic year.

As director of the Providence College Parent & Family Program, I can tell you that our PC community is filled with excitement as we get ready for the fall semester. We can't wait for the campus to become alive again, as soon students will be moving in, connecting with peers, attending classes, and engaged in lots of back-to-school activities.

This email provides some important information I wish to share with you, as your student gets ready to return to campus. If you have questions regarding any of the programs contained in this message, please contact the specific office involved. Additionally, this "<u>Ask A Question</u>" link provides a quick and easy way for me to respond to your questions, within a few days of receiving them. Finally, the Office of the Registrar over-sees all student and parent emails. All requests for changes/additions need to be made directly to that office at <u>records@providence.edu</u>. When making your request, please include your student's name, class year, and date of birth.

God bless. Jackie

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*RESIDENCE HALL MOVE-IN DAY

All students returning to Providence College are scheduled to move onto campus Monday, September 2, 2024 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m (specific schedule is determined by residence hall and available here). The Office of Residence Life & Housing will allow a limited number of students to voluntarily arrive on Sunday, September 1.

- Students must request to arrive on Sunday by completing an Early Arrival Intention Form available on the left-hand side of their eRezLife account. This form will be open on a first come first serve basis and will close once we have reached capacity for Sunday move in.
- Students who live an extreme distance (250 miles or greater will be given first priority).
- Please do not have your students arrive outside their scheduled move-in day as we may not have staff available to accommodate them. Please see our website for more detailed information.

UPS Ship Ahead Program: Students who wish to have items shipped to the college have the option to utilize the UPS Ship Ahead Program which allows you to have items shipped to the local UPS store and then delivered directly to your room before you move in. More information is available on our <u>website</u>.

*FALL 2024 MEAL PLANS

Students can view their meal plans for the Fall 2024 semester on their student accounts in Cyberfriar. Students can request changes to their meal plan until September 13, 2024 by completing a Fall 2024 Meal Plan Change Request available on the left hand side of their <u>eRezLife account</u>. The student account will update on Cyberfriar within one/two business days after the request is processed. Please remember residence halls have <u>minimum meal plan</u> requirements and the Office of Residence Life is unable to make adjustments to meal plans below the minimum required.

***THE OFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

Due to significant delays in the receipt of the 2024-2025 FAFSA, processing financial aid is delayed. We are working diligently to respond as quickly as possible so that families can make plans to manage their student's bill. While we have released our initial round of returning student awards, we still require additional time to process offers of financial assistance for those students who have already completed both the FAFSA and CSS Profile. The delays have further impacted our ability to certify and process Parent PLUS and private loans. Please view your Cyberfriar and the Torch Portal, if requested, to view outstanding requirements.

TORCH Portal: Student should create a <u>Student Forms</u> account through the <u>TORCH Portal</u>. Here is where they can upload requested documents and see what they are missing. Please encourage your student to sign up for both email and text updates so they can receive updates in real time!

Student Loan Requirements: Any student interested in accepting their Direct student loan(s) must use their FSA ID and complete <u>Entrance Counseling</u> and a <u>Master Promissory Note</u>. If a

student is no longer interested in their Direct student loan, please complete a <u>Make Changes to</u> <u>My Loan (Undergrad)</u> form.

On Campus Employment: The Office of Financial Aid will no longer utilize Handshake, but instead will begin using FriarHub. More information will be emailed to your student in the coming weeks.

We encourage both you and your students to follow us on social media! Follow us on Instagram @provcollegefinaid or Facebook at @PCFinAid, for updates and information.

*CLASS OF 2025 SENIOR RING WEEKEND

The Class of 2025 Senior Ring Weekend will be Friday, October 25 - Sunday, October 27, so save the date! More details will be announced soon! Please follow @pcsrw2025 on Instagram for SRW information & final Ring Sales information

*IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BURSAR'S OFFICE

Student Account Information

Fall 2024 Bills were Published on JULY 22nd and are Due by AUGUST 15, 2024

Your student may view the Fall 2024 billing statement in the Bursar section of Cyber Friar This is the place where they can also set you up to be an authorized user to receive emails when bills are published and giving you the ability to make payment online. Instructions for setting up an authorized user are below:

Cashnet Access for Parents/Guardians

E-mails are sent to students at their Friar e-mail accounts when an e-bill is published. Parents and guardians can also receive the e-bill notifications and make online payments via CashNet with an authorized user account created by the student. Students can reset a parent PIN on this site as well.

How do I set up an authorized user? How can my parents view my e-Bill?

A person other than the student may have the ability to view the e-Bill as an authorized user.

- The student needs to:
 - Log into CyberFriar.
 - Click on Student Services
 - Click on Bursars' Office NEW
 - Go to "Do you want help paying?" in the middle of the page
 - Select "Send a payer invitation"
 - Enter the authorized user's first and last names and e-mail address
- Authorized Users (Parent/Guardian):
 - Once your account is established by your student you will receive an email with a link to the website:
 - Log in at: <u>https://commerce.cashnet.com/pcepay</u>
 - (at your first log in you will be required to change your password.)

***THE CHIRICO CAREER CENTER**

As your student gets ready to come back to campus, we want to share some important information:

- 1. **NEW: FriarHub!** We have moved from Handshake to <u>FriarHub</u>! This new platform will be students' one stop spot for events, career resources, on-campus jobs, internships, and jobs! Later this fall they will also be able to log on to FriarHub to connect with alumni! Students can log on today to create their profiles.
- 2. **Career Appointments** Students don't have to wait to come to campus to get a jump start on their career plans. Career Coaches are available during August to meet with students virtually or in-person. They can log on to <u>FriarHub</u> to schedule a meeting that works for their schedule.
- 3. Important Dates!
 - Thursday, September 5th | FriarHub Launch | Stay tuned for more details.
 - Wednesday, October 2nd | The <u>Fall Career EXPO</u> featuring the Major/Minor Fair, Internship/Job Fair and Graduate School & Programs Fair.

***THE CENTER FOR GLOBAL EDUCATION**

Study Abroad Fair: The Center for Global Education (CGE) will host the annual Study Abroad Fair on Monday, September 23 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in Slavin '64 Hall. Representatives from PC's approved programs will be present to meet with students and provide information about their study abroad programs. This is an excellent opportunity for students to explore their program options and speak directly with program representatives.

Study Abroad application deadline for academic year 2025-26: December 1, 2025

As part of the application process, study abroad applicants are required to attend a Study Abroad 101 session. The schedule will be posted on the CGE website early in the fall semester.

Class of 2027: There is still time to apply for the Spring 2025 <u>London CIV Program</u>. In London students will complete their DWC sequence and have the opportunity to complete either their Fine Arts requirement (Prof. Bennett) and/or their Ethics requirement (Prof. Arroyo). In addition to these courses, students will round out their schedules with courses offered at the IES Study Center or a local university (City University, London or Quenn Mary University). Please email <u>pcabroad@providence.edu</u> if you have any questions.

September 13 – Applications Due

September 25 – Commitment Form Due

September 30 – Withdrawal Deadline (Students who withdraw after this date will incur a financial penalty, so they should be serious about the commitment to the program.)

Get Ready for Passport Day! The Center for Global Education is excited to announce the return of Passport Day this Fall 2024! Passport Day is a fast and convenient way to get a brand-new passport or renew an old passport for study abroad or even personal travel. All that is needed is to deliver a completed application along with the required materials and payment to the passport processing staff onsite. All PC students, faculty, and staff are invited to participate. No appointment is needed. Date, time, and location are currently TBD in November. Be sure to check our <u>Center for Global Education Events</u> page, under Global Education Week 2024, for updates in the coming weeks.

We recommend that any students interested should start preparations now and be sure to bring the required physical documents (original birth certificate especially) and printed copies needed for their application to PC on the date of the event. Photos and money orders will not be available on site. For more information about application requirements, please refer to the <u>Apply for Your First Adult Passport</u> and/or <u>Renew by Mail</u> resource pages on the U.S. Department of State website.

*FALL INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- It's never too late to...GET INVOLVED! The Involvement Fair will be Wednesday, September 3rd on Slavin Lawn after Academic Convocation! It's never too late to join a club or organization, so everyone is welcome to meet the 120+ clubs and organizations that PC has to offer! Find out how to join, when they meet, and what they do!
- Welcome Back Weekend September 6th September 8th. The SAIL Office has a lot planned for students...Glow in the Dark Park, PC Block Party, Slavin Night Live, and so much more!

*HOMECOMING 2024

Parents and families are invited to celebrate PC's signature fall weekend at <u>Homecoming 2024</u>, taking place from Friday, Oct. 18 – Sunday, Oct. 20. Open to all members of the Friar community, this year's Homecoming features events like a community Mass and brunch, Friar Fest, the Friar 5K, programs for current students and families, Late Night Madness, alumni social gatherings, and more. Stay tuned for more information and updates. Registration will open in September. Book your hotel now to spend the weekend with your student.