TRANSITION TO COLLEGE PROGRAM
FOR FIRST-YEAR COLLEGE STUDENTS

LANDMARK COLLEGE • PUTNEY, VERMONT
Friday, July 20 – Saturday, August 4, 2018
Do you know a student who struggles with time management, organization, or sustained attention? They may benefit from attending Landmark College’s Transition to College Program.

Making the transition from high school to college is an exciting and rewarding process, but it does pose some challenges. Even high achieving first-year college students can face unanticipated challenges at college. These issues arise not from lack of ability, but because of the enormous jump in independence required to successfully navigate the college environment.

This program is designed to help prepare students for the challenging transition from high school to college, and from home to residence hall. Students are immersed in a living and learning experience that offers a real taste of college-level work and the challenges that they will encounter. They develop a clear understanding of their learning strengths and needs, while discovering how various resources and self-advocacy help to allow them to find success during the transition to college. Students also work on a personal plan that will lead to a smooth transition to their intended college or university.

Landmark College • Putney, VT
Friday, July 20 – Saturday August 4, 2018
Tuition, Room & Board: $3,805
Financial Aid is available.

NOTE: A letter of admission to a four-year college or university is required for admission to this program.
THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Students will take a core course based on the first few weeks of a typical introductory college lecture course. Students also participate in seminars on Learning Skills and College Writing that relate directly to the content of the core lecture course. Students will choose from a selection of additional workshops that introduces them to strategies they can use to navigate the challenges they may face as they start college.

Together, the program courses, seminars, and workshops help students to:

- Create a personalized plan of action to support their transition to college
- Discover strategies for working with the different teaching styles and course formats experienced in college
- Become familiar with the requirements for academic writing, including researching topics, using source citations, and meeting multiple deadlines
- Learn about process strategies for approaching academic writing tasks
- Review and practice the study skills essential for success in introductory college courses, including note taking, active reading, test preparation, and time management
- Discover personal learning strengths and difficulties as the basis for strategy development, self-advocacy, and the use of college resources

Courses and Workshops

CORE COURSE: COLLEGE LECTURE  This class, which covers the first few weeks of a typical introductory college course, presents students with some of the challenges of lecture-style teaching, handling a college-level reading load, taking a unit exam, and writing a research paper.

LEARNING SKILLS SEMINAR  In this seminar, students learn about the study skills and strategies required in college — including organization, active reading, note taking, and test preparation — and explore the use of assistive technology.

This class offers opportunities for students to consider different ways to approach various challenges they will face, including reading load, time management, and prioritization. Students are asked to analyze their own performance in the core lecture and identify areas of strength and relative weakness, allowing them to better identify essential strategies for future college work.

COLLEGE WRITING SEMINAR  Writing for college courses is much different than writing for high school. This seminar reviews some of those differences and helps students to move from summarizing a reading assignment to analyzing the reading assignment. Also covered are other college writing basics, such as writing in drafts, using sources while avoiding plagiarizing, and writing succinctly.

CO-CURRICULAR WORKSHOPS  Students participate in a series of additional workshops designed to encourage development of self-understanding and self-advocacy. Workshop sessions introduce students to assistive technology, use of the library to research and write a paper, the neurological basis of learning differences, and laws related to learning disabilities, ADHD, and ASD in college settings. Students also learn about community living, lifestyle choices, medication, health, and leisure time.
Weekend Programs
During the program’s two weekends, students have the opportunity to participate in group activities designed to be more than fun experiences; they also teach students how to handle themselves in a group of new peers. Students spend at least one day working as a team, helping them to further develop critical skills such as cooperation, trust, effective communication, commitment, and leadership — skills that will assist them in their journey toward becoming more effective and independent learners.

Residential Life
Students experience a true college-living situation during their 15-day stay on campus. Students live with other Transition to College Program students in single-gender, double-occupancy residence hall rooms. The residence hall is staffed by a professional Resident Director (RD) and college-aged mentors known as Resident Assistants (RAs). This team helps students to bridge the gap between their classroom experiences and the rest of their day and evening. The RD and RAs (all of whom have experience transitioning from high school to college) help students to engage in the overall learning community while ensuring a safe and secure environment, and help students to overcome some of the challenges they may face outside the classroom during their first semester at college.

Landmark College is the college of choice for students with learning disabilities (such as dyslexia), ADHD, ASD. We have more than 30 years of experience in developing innovative academic strategies and techniques for students who learn differently. Landmark College offers associate and bachelor’s degrees that prepare students for careers or for further education in their fields.

For More Information
For questions or assistance concerning Landmark College’s Transition to College Program, please contact the Landmark College Admissions Office.
Telephone: 802-387-6718
Email: admissions@landmark.edu
Website: landmark.edu/summer
Applying for Admission

Transition to College Program for First-Year College Students

Landmark College • Putney, VT
Friday, July 20 – Saturday August 4, 2018
Tuition, Room & Board: $3,805
Application Deadline: Rolling

A diagnosed learning disability is not required for participation in this program.

Financial Aid Information: Need-based financial aid is available for qualifying families. Financial aid applications are available online, and are reviewed upon the student’s acceptance into the program. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid at 802-387-6718 or financialaid@landmark.edu.

Application Checklist

To be considered for admission to this program, you must submit the following supporting materials:

- Completed and signed application
- Official high school transcript of work completed to date*
- Letter of admission to a four-year college or university*
- Two letters of recommendation
- Parent statement
- $25 application fee, check made payable to Landmark College
- Telephone or on-campus interview

* These materials must be submitted prior to the start of the program if unavailable at time of application. Because space is limited, you are advised to apply as soon as possible, even if you do not yet have these documents in hand.
Students accepted to these colleges and universities have participated in LC’s Transition to College program:

- Alfred University
- Bennington College
- Bowling Green State University
- Canisius College
- Connecticut College
- Dartmouth College
- Drew University
- Drexel University
- Evergreen College
- Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University
- Fordham University
- Franklin & Marshall College
- Goucher College
- Ithaca College
- Johnson & Wales University
- Loyola University (New Orleans)
- Manhattanville College
- McDaniel College
- McGill University
- Minneapolis College of Art & Design
- Muskingum University
- New York University
- Pace University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pratt Institute
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Rutgers University
- St. Bonaventure University
- Skidmore College
- Smith College
- Syracuse University
- University of Massachusetts Amherst
- University of Oregon
- Washington University
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute

“Being with other incoming freshman was a great learning experience. I gained confidence in myself and my ability to succeed in college.”

**OTHER LANDMARK COLLEGE SUMMER PROGRAMS**

**High School Summer Program for Rising Juniors and Seniors**, which includes a Social Pragmatics Track for students with ASD.

**Summer Session for Visiting College Students**, for currently enrolled college students who are struggling in their studies.

Details can be found at [landmark.edu/summer](http://landmark.edu/summer).
Application for Transition to College Program

Please answer all questions completely. Please print clearly or type.

Today's Date ___________________________________________  Month/Day/Year

ABOUT YOU

Legal Name ____________________________________________________________

First                                     Middle                                           Last

Address  ____________________________________________________________________________________________________

City  ________________________________________________  State   ____________________   Zip ________________________

Home Phone ( ____ ) ______ – ________      Work Phone ( ____ ) ______ – ________

Cell Phone ( ____ ) ______ – ________    Primary Email Address ______________________________________________________

Legal Sex:  □ Male       □ Female       □ Self-Identity: ______________________________________________________________

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

Chosen Name________________________________________________________________________________________________

COLLEGE INFORMATION

I have been accepted at: ____________________________________________________________

Name of College

I have applications pending at: _______________________________________________________

Name of College

Have you ever applied to Landmark College?  □ Yes  □ No   If yes, when: ____________________________________________________________

Have you previously attended any Landmark College programs?  □ Yes  □ No

If yes, when:_____________________________________________________________________________________________

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CITIZENSHIP
Place of Birth ________________________________________________________________________________________________
City/Town State/Province Country

☐ U.S. citizen ☐ Dual U.S. citizen ☐ Please specify other country of citizenship ____________________________________________

☐ U.S. Permanent Resident Visa; citizen of __________________________ Alien registration number _______________________

☐ Other citizenship __________________________________________________________

Visa

If you live in the United States, but are not a U.S. citizen, how many years have you lived in the country? ___________________

If not English, language spoken in your home ________________ If not English, list your first language ________________

ETHNICITY (optional)
Race/ethnicity information is optional. Information you provide will not be used in a discriminatory manner.

Are you Hispanic or Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No (If yes, country of family's origin: __________________________)

How would you describe your racial background? (select one or more of the following categories):

☐ Asian (country of family's origin: __________________________) ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

☐ Black or African American ☐ White

☐ American Indian or Alaska Native

ABOUT YOUR EDUCATION (attach additional sheets if necessary)

School ___________________________________________________________________ CEEB Code ________________________

Type of School: ☐ Public ☐ Private ☐ Correspondence ☐ Charter ☐ Parochial ☐ Home School ☐ Other/Education Provider

School Address _______________________________________________________________________________________________

Number and Address

City/Town State/Province Country Zip/Postal Code

Start Date _________________________________________________________ Date of Graduation __________________________

 College Counselor's Name___________________________________________________ Phone ( ______ ) ________ – ________

Begin with Area or Country Code

Counselor's Email _____________________________________________________________________________________________

Are you currently enrolled in school? ☐ Yes ☐ No Will/did you graduate from high school early? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Did you receive a GED? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, list date: ___________________ (Please send official scores from testing agency)

STANDARDIZED TESTING INFORMATION

Have you taken the SAT or ACT? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, when? ________________ ________________

Month/Year Month/Year

If yes, what were your scores: SAT Writing __________________________ SAT Math __________________________

SAT Critical Reading __________________________ ACT Composite __________________________
LEARNING DIAGNOSIS INFORMATION

Have you been diagnosed with a learning disability, ADHD, or ASD? □ Yes □ No

If yes, when and what was the diagnosis? _____________________________________________________________

What academic courses do you find most difficult? ______________________________________________________

What academic courses do you most enjoy? _____________________________________________________________

What academic supports, if any, have helped you in the past? _____________________________________________

ABOUT YOU

What skills and strategies do you hope to develop by participating in Landmark College’s Transition to College Program?

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Who or what led you to apply to Landmark College’s Transition to College Program? ___________________________

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Please list your employment history (most recent first):

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What have you done in life that has made you the most proud? ____________________________________________

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Have you ever been placed on probation, suspended, removed, dismissed, or expelled from any school or academic program since 9th grade?  □ Yes  □ No

If yes, please explain: ____________________________________________________________
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Other than traffic offenses, have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime?  □ Yes  □ No

If yes, please explain: ____________________________________________________________
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ABOUT YOUR FAMILY

Parent/Guardian 1  □ Parent  □ Guardian __________________________________________________________

Home Address (if different than yours) __________________________________________________________
City __________________________________________________________ State _________ Zip ____________
Home Phone ( ______ ) __________ – ________________  Cell Phone ( ______ ) __________ – ________________
Name of Employer __________________________________________  Job Title _____________________________________
Work Phone ( ______ ) __________ – ________________
Work Mailing Address _________________________________________________________________
Email Address ________________________________________________________________
Parent/Guardian 2  □ Parent  □ Guardian

Home Address (if different than yours) ____________________________________________

City ___________________________ State _________ Zip ________________

Home Phone ( ________ ) __________ – ________________    Cell Phone ( ________ ) __________ – ___________________

Name of Employer ___________________________   Job Title ___________________________

Work Phone ( _____ ) __________ – ________________

Work Mailing Address__________________________

Email Address ____________________________________________

With whom do you reside?  □ Both  □ Parent/Guardian #1  □ Parent/Guardian #2  □ Other (please explain) ___________

How did you first learn about Landmark College’s Summer Programs?  (Check all that apply)

□ Brochure

□ Education Professional ___________________________  (name)

□ Email

□ Family Member or Parent

□ Friend or Colleague ___________________________  (name)

□ Health Professional ___________________________  (name)

□ Landmark College Graduate or Current Student ___________________________  (name)

□ Social Media

□ Internet Search

□ Digital Ad

□ Other ___________________________  Please specify
Applicant Statement
By applying to Landmark College’s Transition to College Program and signing this application for admission, I indicate my understanding that the Transition to College Program is a 15-day residential program that includes academic coursework and co-curricular workshops, as well as recreational activities. I understand that I must be prepared to attend class meetings and do nightly coursework. I recognize that students who are motivated to meet the program’s standards and expectations generally realize the steps required to achieve success in a collegiate setting. I also understand that students not prepared to work within the structure and expectations of the program, or who may have issues secondary to academic performance that require their focus, may have difficulty achieving the learning outcomes of the program.

My signature below indicates that the information in my application is correct, inclusive, and honestly presented.

Signature of Applicant ____________________________________________ Date ____________________________

Landmark College is committed to creating an environment free from discrimination and harassment. LC does not discriminate in its educational and employment policies on the basis of race, color, sex, marital status, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, age, military or veteran status, sexual orientation, and gender identity and expression. Discrimination and harassment based on these categories are prohibited and not in keeping with our community values.

Mail completed form to:
Transition to College Program, Office of Admissions, Landmark College, 19 River Road South, Putney, VT 05346
Parent or Guardian Statement
Transition to College Program

Today's Date ________________________________________________________________
Month/Day/Year

Student's Name ________________________________________________________________
First                                     Middle                                           Last

Parent's Name ________________________________________________________________

As a parent/guardian, you have spent more time with your child than anyone else. Therefore, please share your insights on this form. Please rate how much of a challenge each of the following is with regard to your student’s overall achievement:

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What are your child’s most notable personality traits?

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Please provide a brief overview of your child’s personal learning style. You are also invited to briefly share any concerns you may have or additional background that you feel would be helpful:

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Please mail completed form with application or send separately to:
Transition to College Program, Office of Admissions, Landmark College, 19 River Road South, Putney, VT 05346-8517
Recommendation #1  
Transition to College Program

Today's Date ________________________________________________________________________________________________

1. INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE STUDENT
This recommendation form should be completed by a teacher, counselor, or professional who knows you well. Please do not ask a relative or personal friend for a recommendation. Once you have decided who will write your recommendation, please complete lines A and B below. Then give this form to the person whom you have selected. The recommender should return the completed form directly to Landmark College.

A. Name of Student __________________________________________________________________________________________
First                                     Middle                                           Last

B. Person Writing Recommendation _____________________________________________________________________________

2. INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION WRITER
The above-named student has applied to the Landmark College Transition to College Program. One of the goals of this program is to expose students to strategies and skills that would allow them to be more effective and independent learners in a collegiate atmosphere.

Please complete in full the reverse side of this form. We ask you to candidly share your thoughts about this student’s specific challenges, motivation, academic performance, honesty, ability to set realistic goals, interpersonal skills, sense of humor, and any other observations relevant to this student’s performance. Because of the specialized nature of our program, any information that would help us to respond successfully to the student’s needs in terms of the transition from high school to college is especially helpful. Please include any additional comments you think might assist us in evaluating this student’s application.

Confidentiality Policy
Your effort to realistically assess the potential of this candidate is greatly appreciated. This form and any additional comments/recommendations you provide will be used for admission and advisement purposes by Landmark College for its Transition to College Program.

Recommender’s Signature __________________________________________________    Date _____________________________

Recommender’s Title   _________________________________________________________________________________________

Relationship to Student __________________________________________   Years Acquainted with Student _________________

Address  ____________________________________________________________________________________________________
City ______________________________________________________________  State __________  Zip ______________________

Telephone ( _______ ) _______ – _______________ Email Address ____________________________________________________

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**STUDENT RECOMMENDATION**

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I recommend this student for studies at the Landmark College Transition to College Program

☐ Enthusiastically  ☐ With reservation  ☐ Do not recommend

Please provide additional comments that might assist us in evaluating this student's attitude, motivation, and potential to succeed in Landmark College's Transition to College Program

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Recommender’s Signature __________________________________________________________ Date _____________________

Please mail completed form to:
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Recommendation #2
Transition to College Program

Today's Date ________________________________________________________________________________________________
Month/Day/Year

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City ______________________________________________________________  State __________  Zip ______________________

Telephone ( _______ ) _______ – _______________ Email Address ____________________________________________________

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