Pre-Orientation Landscape: Behind the Scenes

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Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Pre-Orientation Programs at UVM
- 3. Overview of Programs
- 4. Q&A with Panelists

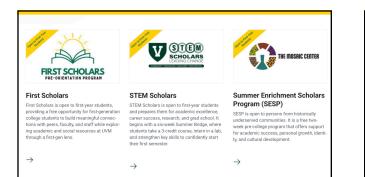
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STEM Scholars Summer Bridge

- 6-week experience to kickoff 4-year, cohort-based STEM Scholar Program/learning community
- Funded by Howard Hughes Medical Institute grant
- Target cohort size: 35 students
- across 35 eligible majors.
- Purpose: To equip students with confidence, strong academic foundations and

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Bridge Program Features

- No cost to students
- 3 credit Intergroup Dialogue Course
- Paid Intro Lab Experience
- · Access to faculty and university leadership
- · A choice of STEM skills to refresh or learn



• Team-building activities and excursions

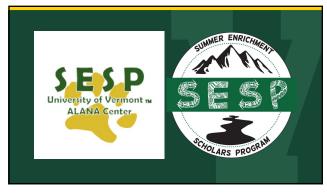
Career and academic skills coaching

exploring Vermont.

• Visits to industry

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FSPOP Program Overview

Connection & Community: Meet fellow first-gen students, build lasting friendships, and connect with peer leaders, faculty, and staff. faculty, and staff.
Campus Life Essentials: Get guided tours, learn how to navigate UVM's resources, and settle into your new home before the semester starts. before the semester starts. Academic Prep: Explore majors, advising, financial aid, and career paths and tips on communicating with professors and using campus tools. Wellness & Support: Discover self-care strategies, tutoring options, and how to thrive emotionally, socially, and academically. Fun & Social Events: Enjoy activities like ice cream socials, bowling, DIY dorm decorating, and meals.

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First Scholars Events





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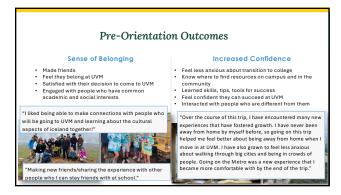


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• UVM GO Iceland: Culture, History,

- UVM GO New York City: Youth
- Activism, Climate Change, and the Underground Music Scene • UVM GO LASP/PLHC - Dive In! Exploring Lake Champlain's Global
- UVM GO Wellness Environment:
- Mindfulness, Compassion, and



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Where to next?

9am

- Coaching during Challenging Times (Chittenden)
- Behind the Scenes with Pre-Orientation Programs (Williams)

10am

11am

- Internships are great (except when they are not) (Chittenden)

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