



## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Will earn a standard high school diploma (have passed the FSA or have concordant score on ACT or SAT)
- ✓ Have GPA of 2.75 or higher (unweighted)
- ✓ Have NOT earned college credit from Dual Enrollment (DE) or Advanced Placement (AP) courses
- ✓ Have completed community service/documented on high school transcript
- ✓ Must score at least 7 on the LOEP (Levels of English Proficiency) to participate in the BTS Summer Program Cohort
- ✓ The Bridges to Success scholarship is a needs based scholarship; need is determined by parents tax information submitted on the FAFSA
- ✓ Students not eligible for Federal Financial Aid because of immigration status are eligible to apply, but may need to submit additional documentation
- ✓ The Bridges to Success scholarship is NOT a Merit Based Scholarship program. Students who are high academic achievers, and are focused on accelerated learning and independent course study should consider applying for the Honors Program: Seneff Honors College

“The Bridges to Success Program functions as a beacon that will challenge and inspire you to be actively engaged in the college experience to create, sustain, and achieve your milestones. We thrive on resilience... Be entirely extraordinary!”



# BTS

- ✓ Are you COMMITTED to earning a College Degree?
- ✓ Are YOU ready to be challenged, pushed, and encouraged to make YOUR Goals a reality?
- ✓ Do you want to be a part of a program with proven success strategies?
- ✓ Do you need Support, Structure, and Organization to stay on track academically?
- ✓ Could you benefit from REQUIRED Learning Support (Tutoring), Skill Shops, Mentoring, and Cohort Classes?
- ✓ Do you need help selecting, and following an academic advising plan for successful completion of your AA (Associates of Arts) or AS (Associates of Science) degree?
- ✓ Are you interested in performing service/giving back to your community through volunteerism and service projects?
- ✓ Are you interested in personal and professional growth opportunities (skill shops, seminars, lecture series, networking opportunities, college tours, and student leadership conferences)?
- ✓ Have had some personal challenges and adversities in life, and want an opportunity to regroup and start on a new path?



# HOW DO I APPLY?

## HOW TO FIND 2019 BTS Online APPLICATION

1. Go to [www.valenciacollege.edu/bridges](http://www.valenciacollege.edu/bridges)
2. In the right hand navigation panel, you will see a RED icon ***Bridges to Success Application 2019 Student Application*** click on it.
  - a. Login to your Valencia College Atlas account.  
*Note: You must first apply to Valencia College. Once accepted, you are able to set up your atlas account.*
3. If you have additional questions, you can email us at [bridgestosuccess@valenciacollege.edu](mailto:bridgestosuccess@valenciacollege.edu)

## Get Started Writing your Essay Early!

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### Personal Essay

In 800 words or more please answer the following three questions using 12 pt. Times New Roman font, double-spaced.

1. Why do you want to participate in the Bridges Summer Program?
2. Describe a personal challenge or adversity you've experienced and how you were able to overcome that obstacle (provide specific steps that were necessary).
3. How will the Bridges program help you in achieving your educational and career goals?

Include your name and Valencia ID number on all pages of the essay.

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