“I didn’t want to spend my summer at school, but joining Summer Bridge changed that for me. I got more involved and met new people. The Summer Bridge staff never let me give up and the First Year Experience program also prepared me for my future at De Anza College.”

— Alex Olivera

“Summer Bridge was a great experience. It has taught me how to be ready for college.”

— Danilo Briones
What is **Summer Bridge**?

Summer Bridge is a program designed to ease your transition from high school to community college. Summer Bridge students take one course, HUMA 20, “Life Skills for Higher Education.” Participation in the program will help you adjust to college life and introduce you to college services. In addition, you will also be enrolled in our Counseling 100, “Orientation to College.”

Who is Eligible?

You are eligible for the Summer Bridge Program if you meet either one of the following requirements:

1. You’re a high school graduate OR
2. You’re 18 years old

Where does Summer Bridge take place?

The Summer Bridge Program takes place at De Anza College in Cupertino, CA.

“FYE = great counselors, good leadership skills and life-long friendships.” – Adriana Smith

Why participate in Summer Bridge?

- It’s free – NO cost to you!
- Social/cultural events – meet other first-time college students
- Field trips – career and vocational exploration activities to help you make more informed career choices
- Speakers to explain campus services and resources that can work for you
- Academic and personal skills evaluation – learn what you need to succeed in college
- Earn 4 units of college credit
- Early enrollment in First Year Experience Program courses for the upcoming academic year

What is the First Year Experience Program?

- Integrate multiple fields of study and participate in community engagement through this yearlong program.
- Attend reading and writing classes that will take you at least through your first college-level courses.
- Take additional college-level classes such as sociology, arts, economics, psychology and biology.