



Frequently Asked Questions

How is 4MILE implemented?

This week of events features team building exercises, cultural and social workshops, as well as presentations and activities. Incoming students will be distinctively matched with an upper-class mentor who will serve as a vital resource to connecting them with the Bryant Community.

Why should I participate in 4MILE?

4MILE is a Multicultural and International Leadership Experience uniquely designed for incoming international and domestic multicultural students. This tailored experience will serve as the archway for acclimation in their new home, a hub for the academic and personal resources they will need and will help foster lifelong friendships that will help enhance their educational experience.

When do students participating in 4MILE move onto campus?

International students participating in 4MILE are advised to move-in to Bryant **by Thursday, August 6th, 2020**. Domestic students participating in 4MILE should move in for Welcome weekend, on **Wednesday, August 19th, 2020**.

What do international students need at 4MILE check-in?

At check-in, international students will need to email a copy of their passport and I-20 in order for the staff to process immigration paperwork to oiss@bryant.edu. International

students will also be asked to retrieve their I-94 electronically, as well as provide emergency contact information.

Do I move into my own room or is there temporary housing during 4MILE?

Students will move into their permanent academic year room assignment when they arrive, so be prepared to move in for the year.

If I am going to be a Commuter student, can I participate in 4MILE?

Yes. Because 4MILE will be virtual this year, there will not be any need to physically be on campus.

Can I move in before my move-in date?

No. Residence halls are undergoing construction which makes it impossible to occupy before the scheduled move-in date. Our Facilities Management team works tirelessly to maintain and prepare rooms for the upcoming academic year for the entire campus residential community. They must ensure that rooms are inspected properly; therefore, **Residence Life cannot allow International students who need quarantine to move in before Monday August 3rd, 2020. Students who do not need to quarantine can move in no earlier than Wednesday, August 19th, 2020.**

Where can I stay before my designated arrival time? Are there hotels close to campus?

There are two hotels located less than one mile from campus: Holiday Inn Express & Suites, the Hampton Inn & Suites. Both hotels offer complimentary full breakfast and an indoor heated pool. Hampton Inn also offers free shuttle service to Bryant University. To find more information, go to: <http://www.bryant.edu/about/visit-campus/travel.htm>

Where should I go when I arrive on campus for 4MILE?

Students will be notified before move-in day on procedures. Please click [here](#) for the campus map to the [Fisher Student Center](#).

Do I need to attend 4MILE for the entire week?

Yes. The program requires full participation by the new Bryant students during the entire week. Students are required to participate in all sessions provided from their move-in date until the conclusion of the program on August 15th.

When can I sign up for a bank account and a U.S. cell phone?

Representatives from local banks and cell phone companies will be available if you need to register for an account.

Are meals/food provided during 4MILE?

All meals for students who have to move onto campus due to quarantine, during the 4MILE program are complementary and will be provided.

When will I get my Bryant ID card?

You will get your Bryant ID card on arrival to campus based on your move in date.

Will there be someone to help me move my belongings into my room?

Due to Rhode Island Department of Health guidelines, including social distancing, you will be responsible for moving your belongings. However, if you require special accommodations, please indicate your needs during the 4MILE registration process.

I've already participated in the June Orientation. Can I participate in 4MILE@bryant?

Yes! The 4MILE program is a cultural and leadership program specially designed for incoming international and domestic multicultural students. You'll get a more in depth look into life at Bryant University and build mentorship to start your college experience.

Are international Students on F-1 status required to participate in 4MILE@bryant?

Yes. New and transfer international students on F-1 status must complete the SEVIS registration with the Designated School Official as mandated by Federal Regulations. SEVIS registration will take place on Monday, August 10th.

I am a multicultural student with US citizenship, do I qualify as an F-1 or J-1 student?

No. F1 and J-1 are visas issued to international students who are attending an academic program or English Language Program at a US college or university.

Will there be information sessions for International parents?

Yes. The 4MILE program is also designed to give International parents/families the opportunity to feel at ease with the Bryant community through "4MILE O' clock" sessions. The virtual program is for students only.

Are my parents required to attend parent sessions?

Parents are not required to attend these sessions but are highly encouraged.

What should I bring with me for my dorm room?

For suggested items to bring to your residence hall room, please see the [Residence Life website](#)

What if I forget something I need for my dorm?

The Bookstore will have items available and students will be able to order from online retailers once they arrive in the U.S.

Can I purchase items for my dorm from the Bryant University Bookstore and pick them up when I arrive?

Yes. The Bryant University bookstore website has a selection of items you will need for your dorm room at Bryant. Through the website, you can pre-order your kit of towels, bedding, books and other items. Once you have ordered on the site, select “pick up in store” and you will be able to pick them up upon arrival at Bryant. Visit the Bryant Bookstore website at: <http://www.bkstr.com/bryantstore>

I am an international student, which day should we book our flight to arrive?

Move-in for international students is by Thursday, August 6th. Please ensure your flight will allow you to arrive at Bryant on or before this date but no earlier than August 3rd. Please keep oiss@bryant.edu informed with your student visa appointment and updates.

Which airport should I choose for my arrival?

The closest international airport is T.F. Green Airport (PVD), which is in Providence, Rhode Island. The airport is about 30 minutes away from the Bryant University campus. Please be aware that we will provide transportation from T.F. Green Airport to Bryant Campus between August 3rd and August 6th.

Is there another airport I can fly into besides from T.F. Green Airport (PVD)?

Yes. Logan Airport (BOS), located in Boston, Massachusetts is about 50 minutes away from Bryant. Please be aware that we **only** offer transportation from T.F. Green Airport (PVD).

What transportation is available from Boston Logan Airport (BOS) to Bryant University?

There are several transportation options from Boston Logan Airport (BOS). Peter Pan Bus picks up passengers from Boston Logan Airport (BOS) terminals to Providence, Kennedy Plaza Bus Terminal. For bus schedule and more information, please go to:

<https://peterpanbus.com/locations/rhode-island/providence-terminal/>

What transportation is available from T.F. Green Airport (PVD) or Providence Bus Terminal?

We will offer the free shuttle van service from T.F. Green Airport to Bryant University between August 3rd and August 6th.

How do I request pick-up service?

You must indicate the need for pick-up service from T. F. Green Providence Airport (PVD) during the registration process. The deadline to register is Friday, July 24th, 2020.

Are there other transportation options to Bryant?

All Occasion Transportation offers a discounted rate for 4MILE participants. You may make your own arrangement by contacting All Occasion Transportation at <https://www.alloccasionlimo.com/>. Please mention that you are a "BRYANT STUDENT" to receive a special discounted rate.

