## ***"Bridge to College Program"*** **Application Form**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Age: _____ Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Have you attended college in the past? ( ) Yes ( ) No

If yes, approximately how many courses have you taken: _____

If yes, when was the last time you attended – (List Year): _____

How did you hear about the *"Bridge to College Program":* _____
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Why does this program interest you?: _____
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Which 4-week session is more convenient for you to attend: Each date is a **Saturday.**

**( ) March (2, 9, 16, and 23)** **( ) April (6, 13, 20, and 27)** **( ) Either**

Do you have transportation to get to the Bay Path College campus in Longmeadow each Saturday?
( )Yes ( ) No

If a shuttle were offered from a location in downtown Springfield, would you take advantage of the shuttle?
( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Maybe

**For statistical purposes only:**

How many adults live in your household (including yourself)? _____ Children in household _____

Please indicate if your household income falls in the following range:

( ) $10,000 - $14,999 ( ) $20,000 - $24,999 ( ) $30,000 - $39,999 ( ) $50,000 or more
( ) $15,000 - $19,999 ( ) $25,000 - $29,999 ( ) $40,000 - $49,999

Race/Ethnicity (please indicate):
( ) Asian/Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
( ) African-American/Black
( ) American Indian/Alaska Native
( ) Hispanic/Latina
( ) White
( ) Caribbean American
( ) International - born in another country

Please return completed application to the organization/community agency where you received it, or mail it to: Bay Path College, c/o Kellee Grucci, One Day Program, 588 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106. This application can also be downloaded or filled out online by visiting www.baypath.edu or https://my.baypath.edu and clicking on the "Bridge to College Program" link.

# Bay Path College's Free "*Bridge to College Program*" for Adult Women

## Information and Application

Have you always wanted to earn your college degree but were not sure if you could handle the school work and balance your life? Maybe you are not sure how to go about attending college or are concerned about the cost? Bay Path College is providing two free, 4-week workshops to adult women in western Massachusetts who are interested in attending college and making their goal of earning a college degree into a reality.

We all lead busy lives and adding one more thing to the list can be hard. These workshops for women will cover how you can manage your time, study and earn good grades, and still enjoy time with your family. They will give you a sense of what it is like to take a college class, help you identify the skills you will need to do well, and calm your fears about taking this leap. We will take you step by step through how to apply to college and for financial aid so you can afford a college education. Many of the women enrolled in the One Day Program have been where you are and will be there to help. You will not be alone on this journey!

We plan to offer two, 4-week sessions on the Bay Path College campus, with two different groups of women. Classes will meet for four consecutive Saturday's from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., with lunch included. You will be expected to commit to attending each week during the 4-week session.

**Session 1 Dates: Saturday's - March 2, 9, 16, and 23 - 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bay Path College campus**
**Submission Deadline: February 11, 2013**

**Session 2 Dates: Saturday's - April 6, 13, 20, and 27 - 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bay Path College campus**
**Submission Deadline: March 18, 2013**

**Topics that will be covered over the 4 week session:**

1. *Conquering your fear of computers* - technology skills you need to know
2. *Writing a college application essay* - how to turn your life story into an exciting essay
3. *Supporting your success* - time and life management, study skills, and tutoring
4. *Student services* - the resources you need to succeed and the people who will help you along the way
5. *Holyoke Community College /Bay Path College Partnership* - options for affording college
6. *Applying to college and the courses you will take* - what are the steps and how to decide what to study
7. *Health and Nutrition* - how to care for yourself and model healthy habits for your family
8. *Success stories* - meet women enrolled in the *One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program*
9. *Prior Learning Assessment* - turn your work experience and what you have learned on the job into college credit and save on tuition
10. *Is College Affordable? (Yes!)* - financial aid and scholarships, and filling out the FAFSA Form
11. *Predictive Index* - a tool that helps you understand your personality profile and how you learn
12. *Career success* - how a college education can open doors (plus a Dress for Success fashion show!)

**Please join us – and other women like you – to see how a college education can transform your life!**

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