

COUNSELING SERVICES

Division of Student Affairs

Richard Bland College

Counseling Services

Richard Bland College is committed to offering a variety of counseling services to assist degree-seeking students with their overall development. Free and confidential counseling is available for individuals needing help with personal, academic, and career concerns. Students may make an appointment to see a counselor in the Center for Student Affairs by calling 804-862-6225.

Because college life poses special challenges both inside and outside of the classroom, students often seek help with balancing their coursework, jobs, and personal lives. To facilitate their development, the counselors in the Center for Student Affairs work with students to identify strategies that will enable them to achieve realistic goals.

Psychiatry Services

The counselors in the Center for Student Affairs provide referrals to students who will benefit from psychiatric services. Referrals are made for individuals requiring long-term psychiatric involvement, specialized care, or crisis intervention.

Career Services

The counselors at Richard Bland College support students in making informed career decisions. Students seeking career counselor services are given opportunities to assess their skills, values, interest and abilities. The counselors partner with students in an effort to assist them with drafting résumés and cover letters, developing effective job interviewing skills, and creating a positive work ethic.

Transfer Counseling

Transfer counseling services are offered in order to ensure that students enroll in the appropriate courses needed to fulfill the lower-division general education requirements at their transfer institutions.

Counseling for Students with Disabilities

The Director of Student Services works with students with disabilities in order to help them develop or increase their self-advocacy skills. Counseling involves helping students to become more adept at assessing and understanding their learning styles, strengths, weaknesses, needs, and preferences.

Counseling Services for Students in the O.A.S.I.S. "Opportunity to Achieve Success in School" Program

A student accepted into the O.A.S.I.S program has graduated from high school with a grade point average falling below the usual acceptance criteria (no less than a 1.7 GPA). The applicants are admitted into the College based on their potential to succeed with extra help.

Academic advisors and counselors are available to explain the conditions of the O.A.S.I.S. program to students. They will also provide the necessary support students need for their academic achievement and success.

For additional information, please contact:
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