

## **SUMMER 2025 IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION BURLINGTON, VERMONT CAMPUS**

#### IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION:

For billing, registration, and general questions, at all times, please call the main office:

- SOCAPA MAIN OFFICE: Toll Free: (800) 718-2787; Int'l and NY Local: (646) 828-3558
- Email: info@socapa.org

After summer sessions start in June, to reach the VT Resident Life office for questions/information about arrival, housing, visiting, things concerning your child's stay with SOCAPA, please use the following:

- SOCAPA Vermont Office Phone: (800) 718-2787 x714 or (646) 828-3558 x714
- Email: vt@socapa.org

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

#### **APRIL 1, 2025: FINAL PAYMENT DUE!**

For registrations after April 1, full payment is due with registration.

#### THREE WEEKS prior to arrival: **Final Registration Forms DUE!**

Online Health History Form, Annual Physical and Immunization Form, copy of back and front of Proof of Health Insurance coverage, travel details and photo Due! We will gladly accept these forms any time, but they MUST be turned in no later than three weeks prior to your arrival.

### SESSION DATES

#### **SESSION ONE:**

2wk: June 29 - July 12 3wk: June 29 - July 19

#### **SESSION TWO:**

2wk: July 20 - Aug 2 3wk: July 20 - Aug 9

### **SCHEDULE**

SESSION ONE: June 29 – July 19, 2025

#### June 29, Sunday – STUDENTS ARRIVE

11-3p **Airport Pickups\*** at Burlington International Airport (BTV) Please try to schedule arriving flights between 11:00am – 3:00pm. Our staff will greet students at Baggage Claim.



- 1-4p **Check-in & Registration** at Lakeview Residence Hall for final administrative work. Students receive room key and roommate assignments and continue to their dorm.
- 4:30p **Program Meetings**
- 5:30p Welcome Dinner
- 6:30-9p **Student Orientation** Tour of Campus & Facilities Evening Screening – Sample films from last year

#### June 30, Monday – CLASSES BEGIN at 9am

#### July 11, Friday – 2 WK SHOWCASE

- 7-9p Final Performances & Screenings (families and friends are invited to attend!)
- 9-10p **Post-Showcase Wrap Party** (for students and faculty, only)

#### July 12, Saturday – 2WK STUDENTS DEPART

8-10a **Dorm Checkout** – Say Goodbyes -- Airport Drop-offs and Parent Pick-ups Please try to schedule departing flights between 11:00am – 3:00p. Our staff will escort students to the airline check-in. Parents, if driving, please plan to pick students up between 8am-10am.

#### July 18, Friday – 3 WK SHOWCASE\*\*

- 7-9p **Final Performances & Screenings** (for students, faculty and families)
- 9-10p Post-Showcase Wrap Party

#### July 19, Saturday – 3WK STUDENTS DEPART

8-10a **Dorm Checkout** – Say Goodbyes -- Airport Drop-offs and Parent Pick-ups Please try to schedule departing flights between 11:00am – 3:00p. Our staff will escort students to the airline check-in. Parents, if driving, please plan to pick students up between 8am-10am.

#### SESSION TWO: July 20 – August 9, 2025

#### July 20, Sunday – STUDENTS ARRIVE

11-3p **Airport Pickups\*** at Burlington International Airport (BTV) Please try to schedule arriving flights between 11:00am – 3:00pm.

Our staff will greet students at Baggage Claim.

- 1-4p **Check-in & Registration** at Lakeview Residence Hall for final administrative work. Students receive room key and roommate assignments and continue to their dorm.
- 4:30p **Program Meetings**
- 5:30p Welcome Dinner
- 6:30-9p **Student Orientation** Tour of Campus & Facilities

Evening Screening – Sample films from last year

#### July 21, Monday – CLASSES BEGIN at 9am

#### Aug 1, Friday – 2 WK SHOWCASE

- **Final Performances & Screenings** (families and friends are invited to attend!)
- 9-10p **Post-Showcase Wrap Party** (for students and faculty, only)



#### Aug 2, Saturday – 2WK STUDENTS DEPART

8-10a **Dorm Checkout** – Say Goodbyes -- Airport Drop-offs and Parent Pick-ups Please try to schedule departing flights between 11:00am – 3:00p. Our staff will escort students to the airline check-in.

Parents, if driving, please plan to pick students up between 8am-10am.

#### Aug 8, Friday – 3 WK SHOWCASE\*\*

**Final Performances & Screenings** (for students, faculty and families)

9-10p Post-Showcase Wrap Party

#### Aug 9, Saturday – 3WK STUDENTS DEPART

8-10a **Dorm Checkout** – Say Goodbyes -- Airport Drop-offs and Parent Pick-ups Please try to schedule departing flights between 11:00am – 3:00p. Our staff will escort students to the airline check-in. Parents, if driving, please plan to pick students up between 8am-10am.

#### \*Arrival/Departure Details:

- Check-in and Registration is located at our **Primary Residence Hall** (this varies by summer).
- If you are dropping your student off, we invite you to bring your child to campus between 1-4pm on the opening Sunday of the program.
- On the final Saturday of the program, pick up is between 8-10am at the student's dormitory.
- Day Students should plan to attend the activities on the opening Sunday from 4pm 8pm.
- We service BTV on the opening Sunday and final Saturday of each session only. Please schedule arriving/departing flights between 11am-3pm. There is a \$45 transfer fee each way. Flights that arrive/depart outside the recommended time slot may be subject to an additional transfer fee.
- If your child is traveling as an "Unaccompanied Minor," as designated by the airline, there is an additional fee of \$100 one-way charged by SOCAPA — this is in addition to our standard airport transfer fee and in addition to the \$150 one-way fee charged by most airlines. We highly encourage any student over the age of 14 to NOT fly as an Unaccompanied Minor. Most airlines do not require it for children 14 and up. If you do opt to travel as an Unaccompanied Minor, it is very important that you notify SOCAPA if you have purchased the service from your airline. We will be able to inform you of the name of the person who will be picking your child up the Friday before your arrival date, but not before.
- We will meet students at the baggage claim area for their flight. SOCAPA staff will be wearing a SOCAPA t-shirt and have a sign with the student's name. There are only two baggage carousels at the Burlington airport, and we are hard to miss. On departure day, we see students to their airline ticket counter, but we cannot accompany them past security.
- <u>Check-out procedure:</u> Students are responsible for cleaning their rooms and returning their room key. Our host university levies an additional fee for a lost room key (\$50) and excessive cleaning (from \$25 - \$100), which will be taken out of the damage deposit held on your credit card prior to camp start.

#### \*\*Final Showcase Schedule:

The schedule provided above is a rough schedule of the Final Showcase based on years past. The timing of the showcase depends greatly on enrollment, so it could start earlier or end later. We will send out more detailed information about the final showcase the week before the show.



Students may either leave with friends or family after the showcase on Friday night or during the scheduled checkout time on Saturday morning. If you plan to check your child out Friday night, please make arrangements with the Resident Life Office prior.

## **CAMPUS**

SOCAPA's Vermont Program is hosted at Champlain College, perched in the historic Hill Section, overlooking breathtaking Lake Champlain and the surrounding Adirondack Mountains. A short walk down the hill and students are immersed in the vibrant arts scene of downtown Burlington. A little further down the hill and you are on the shores of spectacular Lake Champlain. When packing, students should plan for walking excursions and summer fun on the lake!

#### **RESIDENCE HALLS:**

Valcour Hall, 322 Maple Street; Burlington, VT 05401 Lakeview Hall, 320 Maple Street; Burlington, VT 05401 Hill Hall, 227 South Willard Street; Burlington, VT 05401

Valcour Hall is a modern residence hall featuring mostly double rooms and single-stall, shared bathrooms with a large common area. Lakeview residence hall is a modern, traditional-style dormitory. Hill Hall is a restored Victorian home. Male and female identifying students will be separated by floor. The residence halls have air conditioning, WiFi, common areas and a game room. Several single occupancy, common bathrooms are located on each floor hall. A room typically is furnished with a bed, desk, bureau, and light. A Linen Package from Champlain College is included with room & board, which includes a small bath towel, hand towel, washcloth, sheets, a pillow, a pillowcase, and a light blanket. If you get cold easily, you may want to bring an extra blanket. Common areas (bathrooms/hallways/etc) are cleaned daily; students are responsible for keeping their own rooms clean. In front of the residence hall is Finney Quad, an open green space where students are welcome to play frisbee, soccer, and other games during their free time.

#### **MEDICAL EMERGENCY:**

In the event of a medical emergency, students will be taken to the emergency room of The University of Vermont Medical Center located on Colchester Avenue, Burlington, VT. Non-emergency cases will be brought to the walk-in care. Parents/guardians will be notified immediately. All students are required to have primary medical coverage and to list emergency contacts on our medical form.

### **COVID GUIDELINES**

#### VERMONT STATE & CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE COVID POLICY

#### All students and staff

- CDC recommends the primary series of the COVID-19 vaccine (two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or single-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine)
- CDC also recommends a booster of Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine for most children and teens, at least 5 months after the final dose in the primary series.



#### **Pre-Arrival At-Home Rapid Antigen Testing:**

If you have any symptoms that indicate you may have COVID-19, we ask that you take an at-home rapid test 12 hours prior to arriving at camp and have a photo of a negative result to show upon check-in.

SOCAPA will follow, and in some cases be stricter than, the Vermont Health Department requirements for COVID-19. Students and families should review applicable Vermont Forward guidance prior to arrival in the state.

https://www.vermont.gov/vermont-forward#guidance

#### **ILLNESS MANAGEMENT:**

- Campers and staff exhibiting potential symptoms of COVID-19 or who have received a positive PCR test result (cases) will be isolated.
- Confirmed positive cases will be asked to check out of campus as soon as possible and no later than within 12 hours of notification. Positive cases can return to campus after 5 days with a negative antigen test and with 24 hours of no fever or any other COVID-19 symptoms.

## **DAY STUDENTS**

Day students are strongly encouraged to attend Sunday's registration and orientation (please arrive by 4pm) since we will be handing out the master schedules and covering valuable information. This orientation will also provide you with a chance to meet your fellow students and faculty/staff. The day student schedule normally runs from Monday – Friday, 9am - 5pm, although there are some evening and weekend rehearsals as well as casting, shooting, and editing time. In addition, some days may begin a bit earlier, so please always refer to your schedule.

Day students, through the meals and activities fee, have purchased lunches in the cafeteria for the duration of their SOCAPA program. Day students are welcome and encouraged to attend the evening and weekend activities at no additional cost. We highly recommend parents of day students call our office prior to the beginning of the program to talk about daily arrival/departure and scheduling issues.

### RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS

#### Check-in:

Check-in and Registration will take place between 1pm and 4pm on the first Sunday of the program at our Summer Residence Hall (follow our Signs when you arrive on campus). You will receive your room key and roommate(s) assignments upon your arrival. Again, it is important that Day Students attend registration and orientation. Please plan to arrive at the Residence Hall at 4pm and stay until 8pm.



#### **Student Mail:**

**SOCAPA Summer Program: "Student Name"** 

C/O Champlain College Event Center 163 South Willard Street Burlington, VT 05401

#### **Linens:**

A complimentary Linen Set — twin XL sheets, a blanket, a pillow, a pillowcase, a bath towel and a hand towel — will be provided for all residential students.

#### **Phones/Internet Access:**

Students have access to the phone in the office for emergencies. Students may bring their cell phones but they must be turned off in all classrooms, editing rooms and screenings or they will be confiscated. Students have access to computer labs during the day and there is free wireless access in the residence halls.

#### **Keys/ID Cards:**

DO NOT LOSE YOUR KEY CARD! You are expected to have your key card in your possession at all times. SOCAPA students and staff must show their key card to gain access to the dining hall to eat and to gain access to the dorm. There is a \$50 lost key card fee if we need to replace your key.

#### **Security:**

Though we will be the only group of students in the dormitory, there will be other student groups on campus, so keep your doors locked at all times and valuables in a secure place. In addition, you will not want to leave bags/personal items in classrooms or around campus. When packing, please think about what items you want to bring and how you will keep them safe on campus and be mindful of your belongings at all times.

#### Laundry:

App-operated washing machines and dryers are available in the residence hall for students to use. A load of wash is \$1.75 and a dry cycle is \$1.50, approximately. A minimum balance of \$10 must be added to the app in order to use the machines.

#### **Spending Money:**

The room and board fee covers nightly board and three meals a day (less three weekend meals), as well as planned activities on nights and weekends. Students may want to bring spending money for props, snacks or for any shopping he/she may want to do during their stay. We suggest \$5-\$10 a day for incidentals. Because SOCAPA cannot access money for students if they run out, we highly recommend sending your child with a prepaid/reloadable debit card if they do not have a bankcard already, such as a Visa prepaid card or PayPal prepaid MasterCard. These cards can be used to purchase necessities and withdraw cash. If the student runs out of money, parents can reload the card from home. Please do not send your child with hundreds of dollars in cash. It is not safe. Students should have some cash on them upon arrival, but also this card.

#### WEEKEND MEALS:

Since SOCAPA students have the option of several excursions on Saturdays and Sundays, three weekend meals - lunch and dinner on Saturday, and dinner on Sunday- are the responsibility of the students. For instance, they may be given the opportunity to explore the Waterfront area, go shopping on Church Street or visit Stowe Mountain's outdoor adventure park and Ben and Jerry's. At mealtimes, students are given the option of eating at inexpensive local restaurants or take-out stands. Prices can vary from ten-dollar falafels and slices of pizza to twenty dollar sit down sushi combo dinners. We generally recommend a total of \$40-\$60 to cover these three weekend meals.

#### **MEDICATIONS AT CAMP:**

Please make sure that you have completed the online health history form (accessed through parent online account only) thoroughly and that it is up to date. This form provides emergency contact information, tells us about any medication that your child may take, any food allergies and more. A complete and updated form will help us keep your child safe and healthy while under our care.

If your child is bringing medication to camp that SOCAPA is to hold and administer, we request that the following guidelines be followed:

- All medications must be in the original container
- Only the amount of medication needed at camp should be sent

Please note that SOCAPA requires all controlled medications to be held in the office and their administration to be supervised by staff. Even if you have chosen to have your child self-administer his/her prescription, SOCAPA will need to collect and supervise the administration of controlled medications. If you are in doubt, please contact our office.

## WHAT TO BRING

#### PLEASE LABEL YOUR BELONGINGS!

With a permanent marker, personalized sticker labels, or your preferred method, please label your belongings, particularly all technological items. It reduces our lost and found pile and makes for happy campers and parents when you return home with all your belongings. Please think twice when packing valuable items- Do you need it? Are you responsible with your belongings or do you leave them around? We will have a "Lost & Found" box in the office, but any unclaimed items will either be donated or thrown away in between and after sessions.

#### **ALL STUDENTS:**

- ALARM CLOCK! You are responsible for being on time for all classes/events. Cell phone and charger.
- TOILETRIES: Soap/Shampoo, Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Sunscreen, bug spray
- Laundry Detergent
- Beach towel & swimsuit

- Comfortable, practical shoes/clothes. You do a lot of walking!
- Nice outfit for showcase festival and dinners on town
- Warm Sweatshirt or Sweater
- Notebook and Pen
- A reusable water bottle

• Rain jacket, umbrella

• Spending money (some cash, debit/credit card)

#### Filmmakers:

#### **MANDATORY:**

- A MAC-compatible USB 3.0 External Hard Drive (NOT one that must plug into an AC outlet) of at least 1TB is required so that you can take all your digitized raw footage and project files home with you. It also allows you to edit on any available computer in our editing lab. We recommend a LaCie Rugged (Amazon #: LAC9000298). A flash drive will NOT be fast enough.
- Story Ideas, see film assignments in the curriculum section of our website.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- Laptop computer. For filmmakers, it could be helpful when writing your script but is not necessary; you will have limited access to a computer lab.
- Small props and costumes that are necessary for your film idea. Don't go overboard!
- Music that you think would be good in your film. Bring it on your hard-drive, not your mp3 player.
- Any camera that you own that you want to learn how to better use; any film or video work you want to share.

#### **Screenwriters:**

- A laptop computer is required as part of the program.
- Story ideas.
- Any previous writing/screenwriting you would like to share.

#### Actors:

- A notebook and pens/pencils.
- A pair of lightweight sneakers/comfortable shoes.
- Comfortable lightweight clothing that you can move freely in and that will not make you self-conscious in movement/yoga classes.
- Interesting, versatile clothes/costumes as you may be asked to play a wide range of roles over the course of the program. A nice suit or dress usually comes in handy. Try to avoid white clothing, as the color white does not translate well to film/video. For headshots, a few options of tops. Layers and texture are great. Each should be a solid color- rich, saturated colors that bring out your eyes. Avoid solid white & solid black colors, as well as busy patterns, stripes, polka dots and neons.
- Ideas for a monologue and a short two-person scene, both can be professionally written (from a play or film) and should be between two and three minutes long.
- Make-up, as you generally need to do your own.
- A refillable water bottle.

#### **Musicians:**

• Your instrument(s), amp and any necessary wires/cords.



- Tuners, picks, capos, etc. Items you use in your playing.
- Working songs/lyrics/music of your own.
- Stage/dramatic make up for video.
- A variety of clothes for performances and video.

#### **Photographers:**

#### **MANDATORY:**

- A MAC-compatible USB 3.0 External Hard Drive (NOT one that must plug into an AC outlet) of at least 1TB is required so that you can take all your digitized raw footage and project files home with you. It also allows you to edit on any available computer in our editing lab. We recommend a LaCie Rugged (Amazon #: LAC9000298). A flash drive will NOT be fast enough.
- Comfortable footwear for long walking safari trips around the city. Please note that we do not allow open toe sandals/flip flops on photo safaris. Comfortable closed-toe shoes are necessary for the photo safaris.
- Your own DSLR or Mirrorless Digital Camera (if you are not renting from SOCAPA). Cameras should have a detachable lens(es) and the option for manual settings. An extra battery and extra SD card.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- Any camera or photo equipment that you own and want to learn how to better use.
- Tripod if you have one.
- Any photography work that you have done that you want to share (digital, prints or negatives).
- A backpack or carrying bag for photo safari trips. Sunscreen, water bottle, rain gear.

#### **Dancers:**

Please bring as much of the following as you have. You do not need to go out and get everything on this list, but it will be good for you to have a few of the items.

#### FOR FEMALE DANCERS:

- All-black, high-waisted booty shorts of an appropriate length with NO logos or symbols on them.
- All-black sports or dance bra(s) with NO oversized logos or symbols on them. Racerback is fine, but ones with thin and/or interesting straps are also encouraged.
- Solid, brightly-colored sports bra if you have it
- All-black bra and all-nude bra (can be in place of sports bras if you don't need as much support)
- All-black leggings
- All-black camisole top or leotard All-white camisole or tank top
- Make-up and hair products (INCLUDING

#### **FOR MALE DANCERS:**

- All-black t-shirt with NO logos or symbols
- All-black sweatpants and/or shorts

#### **FOR ALL DANCERS:**

- A reusable water bottle
- Jeans and jean shorts you can move in for Hip Hop
- Tap shoes or any other "specialty" shoe for student choreography project (if so desired)
  - White long-sleeve, button-down shirt
- All-white t-shirt
- A backpack or dance bag for daily studio trips and location shoots
- Potential music for your choreography assignment (in MP3 format)



fake eyelashes, black mascara, and black eyeliner)

 Accessories such as fishnets, hats, glasses, gloves, ties, bandanas, etc.

#### **MANDATORY:**

- Sneakers for Hip Hop
- Nude-colored foot paws and/or half-sole turners for Contemporary, depending on your session.

#### WHAT NOT TO BRING:

- Skateboards
- Scooters
- COVID-19
- Roller-skates/rollerblades

- Weapons of any kind, even if they are props
- Illegal drugs or alcohol including cigarettes, e-cigarettes, & vaping devices

## **GETTING TO CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE:**

#### By Car

**From Interstate 89:** By car, take Exit 14W from Interstate 89 and proceed west on Main street over the hill toward downtown Burlington. Turn left onto South Willard Street (Route 7) at the first stoplight after heading down the hill. The Fireplace Lounge is located in the IDX Student Life Center at 228 South Willard Street.

**From the South via Route 7:** Driving from the South on Route 7: about a mile north of the I-189 interchange bear right around the small rotary and proceed up the hill, staying on Route 7 (which becomes South Willard Street). The Fireplace Lounge is located in the IDX Student Life Center at 228 South Willard Street.

#### By Air

The nearest airport is BTV, Burlington International Airport. BTV is 15 minutes from campus. Take Rte. 2 (Williston Road) west to the Interstate 89 overpass at this point Rte. 2 (Williston Road) becomes Main Street. Continue over the hill toward downtown Burlington. Turn left onto South Willard Street (Route 7) at the first stoplight after heading down the hill. The Fireplace Lounge is located in the IDX Student Life Center at 228 South Willard Street.

Our staff does airport pickups on the first and last days of each session. The fee is \$45 per airport transfer. We will greet your child at baggage claim when he/she arrives and make sure they find their gate when they depart. We ask that you schedule flights to arrive (opening Sunday) and depart (final Saturday) between 11am and 3pm.

#### **PLACES TO STAY:**



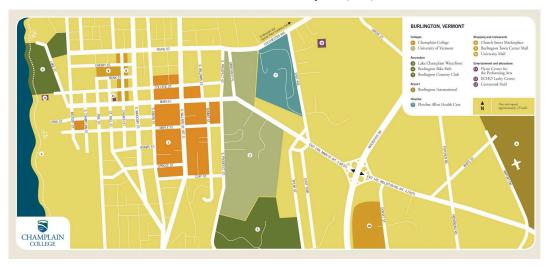
If you are dropping off/picking up your child and need accommodations:

#### Within walking distance of campus:

Willard Street Inn (800) 577-8712 Lang House on Main Street (802) 652-2500

#### **Burlington hotels:**

Hotel Vermont (855) 650-0080 Hilton Burlington (802) 658-6500 Courtyard (802) 864-4700



#### **NICE PLACES TO DINE:**

Looking for a nice restaurant the night of the Final Showcase? Want to take your student (and maybe their lucky roommates) out for a nice dinner during the program? Here are some staff picks for restaurants close to campus. We highly recommend making a reservation well ahead of time.

- Hen of the Wood \$\$ Truly Farm to Table, 55 Cherry St, Burlington VT
- Leunig's Bistro \$\$\$ French Cuisine, 115 Church St, Burlington VT
- Pascolo Ristorante \$\$ Handmade Italian, 120 Church St, Burlington VT
- Honey Road Restaurant \$\$ Mediterranean, 156 Church St, Burlington, VT
- Sherpa Kitchen \$ Himalayan and Nepalese, 119 College St, Burlington, VT
- A Single Pebble \$\$ Family-Style Chinese Cuisine, 133 Bank St, Burlington, VT



### **CHAMPLAIN** COLLEGE

#### ACADEMIC BUILDINGS/FACILITIES

- 1 The Gallery
- 2 Skiff Hall & Skiff Annex
- 3 Durick Hall
- 4 Garden House
- 5 Coolidge House
- 6 West Hall
- 7 Caretaker's Cottage
- 8 Metz Studio Barn
- 9 Welcome & Admission Center at Roger H. Perry Hall
- 10 Rowell Annex
- 11 IDX Student Life Center
- 12 Alumni Auditorium
- 13 Center for Communication & Creative Media
- 14 Hauke Family Campus Center
- 15 S.D. Ireland Family Center for Global Business & Technology
- 16 Aiken Hall
- 17 Miller Information Commons
- 18 Foster Hall
- 19 Wick Hall
- 20 Freeman Hall
- 21 Joyce Learning Center
- 22 The Miller Center at Lakeside Campus
- 23 Physical Plant/Generator

#### RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

- A North House
- **B** Sanders Hall
- C 396 Main Street
- D Boardman Hall
- E 371 Main Street
- F 158 South Willard Street
- G Whiting Hall/ Student Health Center
- **H** Juniper Hall
- I Adirondack Hall
- J Lakeview Hall
- K Butler Hall
- L 308 Maple Street
- M Valcour Hall
- N McDonald Hall
- O Hill Hall
- P Lyman Hall
- Q Rowell Hall R Bankus Hall
- S Jensen Hall
- T South House
- **U** Bader Hall
- V Cushing Hall
- W Pearl Hall
- X Carriage House Y Schillhammer Hall
- Z 194 Saint Paul Street
- AA Summit Hall

#### COMMON SPACES

- 1A Finney Quad
- 1B Rozendaal Courtyard
- 1C Aiken Quad

