

# Welcome University Prep Families ONLINE with Kelly & Britten! The Senior Year College Process

- We will begin a few minutes after **7 p.m.**
  - The presentation will run for 60 minutes.
  - To ask a question, click the **chat** icon in the toolbar.
  - Please make sure you have muted yourself.
  - You might want to click “speaker view” not “gallery view” in the upper-right hand side of your screen for a more focused viewing experience!
  - Q&A questions will be monitored by Kelly, & Britten. Questions will be either answered live via chat **OR** saved and responded to after the presentation concludes.
- While you are waiting:
  - Visit [www.universityprep.org/academics/college-counseling](http://www.universityprep.org/academics/college-counseling)
  - Grab a beverage and something tasty from your kitchen



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If Needed: Throw Kelly & Britten Under the Puma Bus



# What kind of adult would you like your student to be?

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Honest when it costs you something up front to be so.

Kind even when it isn't expected.

Able to enjoy the humor inherent to every aspect of life.

Brave enough to make big mistakes.

Smart enough to learn from those mistake.

Passionate about people and ideas.

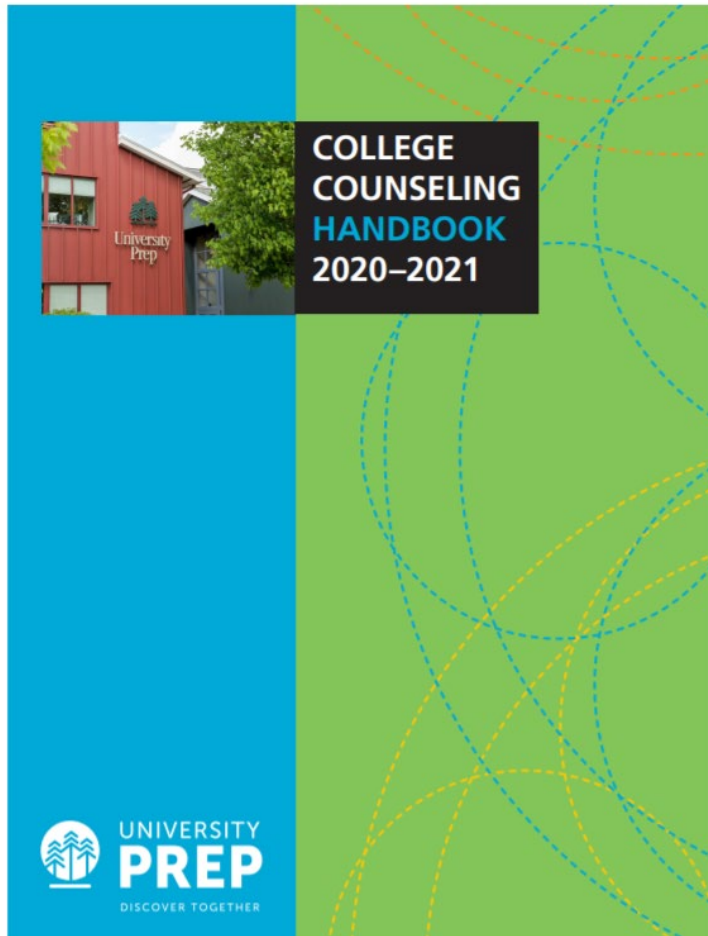
Grateful for small things.

Good, even when no one is watching.

Forgiving of others, but, especially of himself.




# Hot off the press: 2020-2021 College Counseling Handbook



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## COLLEGE COUNSELING

“When I visited my daughter at college, I saw a young woman able to handle whatever comes her way, who knows where to turn for support, and how to move forward. Thank you, UPrep.” *Parent of a recent UPrep alumna*

Helping students reach the next stage of their development – adulthood – is at the core of every interaction in UPrep’s College Counseling Office. What many describe as the busiest office on campus is frequented by juniors and seniors seeking individual college counseling, parents looking for resources to assist their students in the college planning process, and young alumni excitedly reconnecting with the college counseling staff.

The bottom line is that the College Counseling Office expertly demystifies the college process for our students and their families while simultaneously ensuring that they fare extremely well in their search and selection process. College information nights for juniors and seniors, more than 200 visits from college admissions officers from around the country and the world, and expert administration of standardized tests simply add to the many services the office provides.


### Our Results

The results of our students’ college admissions results speak volumes about who we are as a school:

- Over the past 5 years, our students have matriculated at 130 different colleges in 33 states and 5 foreign countries. At the 40 colleges that generated the most applications (6 or more UPrep applicants), our Pumas acceptance rate was 60% whereas the overall national acceptance rate was 44%.
- Our diverse student body finds collegiate homes at a robust range of institutions, from Stanford to Syracuse, and from the University of Chicago to the University of Washington.
- Although we celebrate our students’ college outcomes, what we rejoice in the most is the lives of distinction our Pumas lead post-college. In employment ranging from medicine to the legal field and from education to global affairs, our alumni are forces for good and excellence in their chosen professions.

### College Counseling at UPrep

Learn more about our program:



5 TIPS FOR HELPING TEENS WITH THEIR COLLEGE SEARCH

### Helpful Handouts:

- College Admissions FAQ
- College Admission Landscape at UPrep
- College Process Overview and Timeline
- College Handbook 2020-2021
- Gap Years & Spring Admission
- Summer Opportunities Handout
- AP Registration

### Presentations:



# It's "Amnesty Week" in the College Counseling Office

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Parent Questionnaire (past due)

We love to meet with you!

[www.calendly.com/kherrington](http://www.calendly.com/kherrington) -- for Kelly

[www.calendly.com/bnelson-3](http://www.calendly.com/bnelson-3) -- for Britten

# What We Have Been Working On With Your Students

- Teacher Recommendations
- Main Common Essay Draft (past due)
- Resume (examples in college handbook p. 30)
- Common Application
- Coalition Application
- Signing up to meet with admissions counselors visiting UPrep (sign up in SCOIR)
- The UW Application (due November 15<sup>th</sup>)
- College Kickstart™
- Signing up for School Day SAT or ACT @UPrep
  - <https://aptsusa.com/uprep/>
- **Sending SAT & ACT scores directly to colleges**
  - <https://www.compassprep.com/self-reporting-test-scores/>





"I want to show my colleges I'm well-rounded, so I wrote a poem in Spanish about how chess club has made me a better quarterback."

## KEY DATES:

# Seattle Area Independent Schools College Summit



Annie Wright School

The Bush School

Charles Wright Academy

Eastside Prep

Forest Ridge School

The Northwest School

The Overlake School

Seattle Academy

University Prep

Rainier Scholars

Sunday, October 18  
2-5pm  
Zoom Link to Come



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# KEY DATES: Four More (Optional) Application Workshops!

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Wednesday, September 16, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 13, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Monday, October 19, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 25, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*\*Weekend of October 24-25 is a no homework weekend in order for students to focus on college applications*

*These workshops will have special topics assigned to them*

# How do students inform the College Office of their final college lists?

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- All colleges must be in the “Applying” column in SCOIR
  - EA/ED/EASC College List Deadline = Wed, October 14
  - Regular Decision College List Deadline = Mon, November 30
- Please remember that we automatically send a copy of a student’s transcript with all secondary school reports.
- Please remember that we automatically send a seventh-semester (mid-year) transcript as well to all colleges.
- Please remember that we send quarter grades automatically to all EA/ED/EASC colleges that require them.





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College Transition Night  
Wednesday, March 10  
(This is for both students and parents)

# Parting Thoughts Before Q&A

- Try to feel buoyed by the variety of options ....
- Keep the application process in context.
- “Bend but don’t break; stretch but don’t snap”
- We are in this together.
- Details and deadlines are important.
- Ask questions and meet with Kelly and Britten.

