

# Student Engagement

Student engagement opportunities offered at Bridgewater College enrich the students' learning outside of the classroom. Students are able to connect to other students and the college through activities that are of interest to them while gaining valuable leadership experience and learning valuable interpersonal skills.

## **Campus Recreation**

Campus Recreation encourages Bridgewater College students, faculty and staff to live a dynamic and active lifestyle by providing opportunities to participate in intramurals, group fitness classes, individual fitness pursuits and a wide variety of engaging programs. A complete listing of programs, information, workout spaces and hours of operation is available on MyBC under Student Life/Campus Recreation.

## **Student Clubs and Organizations**

The College has numerous social, cultural, religious and academic clubs and organizations. For a complete listing of clubs and organizations, please see the College's [website](#).

## **Campus Engagement and Activity Team**

Campus Engagement and Activity Team (CEAT) is Bridgewater's programming board that plans and implements weekly activities for students. The group provides students with entertaining and community-orientated programs focused on traditions and athletic events, late night and daytime programs, and off-campus trips. Additionally, CEAT provides a unique experience for their crew members to be part of an influential and impactful community on campus while also developing personally and growing as leaders. For more information about CEAT, please visit the Department of Student Life.

## **Bridgewater College Student Association**

The Bridgewater College Student Association (BCSA) is built on a foundation of student clubs with similar interests grouped into five committees: Civic Wellness and Service, BC Identities, Academic and Honor, Recreation and Leisure, and Campus Life. A representative from each of the 60 clubs on campus serves on the designated committee, and those committees meet once a month to discuss projects, issues and other topics as they arise. The BCSA Cabinet consisting of the student chair, student co-chair and a student representative from each of the five committees meets once a week with the BCSA advisors to discuss issues brought forward during committee meetings or concerns shared directly from members of the student body. During the academic year, the chair and co-chair lead monthly Town Hall meetings, which include representatives from each of the approximately 60 clubs on campus; those meetings are also open to all students.

## **Honor Council**

The Honor Council investigates and determines sanctions for violations of the Honor Code, which prohibits cheating, plagiarism and academic-related lying. Honor Council members are appointed by the student body president and serve, barring impeachment or resignation, from the time of their appointment until the end of their college career. Investigators, appointed by the Honor Council chairperson, assist in the investigation of cases but do not determine guilt or innocence. Refer to *The Eagle* handbook for additional guidelines.

## **Student Publications**

Through BC Voice, the student media organization, students write, edit and publish news articles on the BC Voice website, and produce podcasts and other forms of media.

## **Music**

Bridgewater College recognizes the importance of music, not only as a part of the curriculum of a liberal arts college, but also as a vital part of campus life. The following ensembles and opportunities are active participants in the musical life of Bridgewater College.

## **Chorale Ensembles:**

**Concert Choir:** Bridgewater's largest choral ensemble is open to all students on campus. Concert Choir performs several concerts every semester and serves as Bridgewater's ceremonial chorus, singing for several important campus events each year. Concert Choir also collaborates with other ensembles to perform major choral works representing many musical eras.

**Chorale:** Bridgewater's auditioned chamber choir maintains an active performance schedule both on and off campus. The Chorale tours regionally every year during the spring semester.

**Treble Choir:** The Treble Choir is a non-auditioned ensemble in the spring semester, open to all singers who identify as a soprano or alto voice.

**Gospel Choir:** Extracurricular choir that performs at several events throughout the year.

**A Cappella Choirs:** A cappella choirs are auditioned extracurricular choirs that perform at several events throughout the year.

#### **Instrumental Ensembles:**

**Symphonic Band:** is open to all students with previous band experience without audition and performs several concerts every semester.

**Jazz Ensemble:** Bridgewater College offers two different jazz ensembles. One is open to anyone looking to learn and perform in the jazz styles. The other is an auditioned ensemble and maintains an active performance schedule both on and off campus.

**Screamin' Eagles Marching Band:** The Screamin' Eagles Marching Band performs music and drill at all home football games and various other campus and community events throughout the fall semester. Participation is open to all students with previous experience in wind instruments, percussion, guitar, electric bass, keyboard, and color guard.

**Chamber Strings:** Chamber strings is open to all students with previous strings experience without and audition.

#### **Chamber Ensembles:**

- Percussion Ensemble
- Guitar Ensemble
- Flute Choir
- Jazz Combo
- Brass Ensemble
- Sax Choir
- Clarinet Choir
- Handbell Choir
- Pep Band

**Applied lessons** for credit are available in piano, organ, voice, guitar, woodwind, brass, string, and percussion instruments.

For more details, contact Dr. Christine Carrillo, chair of the music department.

#### **Theatre**

Theatre at Bridgewater College produces two major works each year. These productions are chosen to enhance the academic experience of direct course work, as well as to respond to and reflect upon social, cultural and political issues. Theatrical production develops student talent while offering the College community the opportunity to experience a wide array of theatre genres. Additionally, theatrical production suggests to students the opportunities offered in the field of theatre.

The student-run theatre organization, the Pinion Players, provides students with co-curricular opportunities to participate in all aspects of theatrical production, from directing and acting to designing and playwriting. Activities vary yearly, are driven by student interest, and may include full length plays, touring children's theatre productions, staged readings of student written work, and a student directed one-act festival.