

## What advice would you give to other Brevard College students (and future graduates)?

I could tell you a lot of things to do, where to go and which class to attend, but there is no fun in doing that. Do what you think is right for you, for your education, because ultimately it's for your future. Graduate with a sense of content and not regret in the things you did or did not do. Good luck to everyone next year!

**Luz H.**

I think an important thing to know, especially for freshmen and sophomores, is that college is really what you make it. Your time at Brevard College can be one of the best times of your life, but you have to decide that it's going to be. The college can plan programs and events, but they cannot make you attend—you have to do that. The college can set you up in an FYE class to meet people, but you have to make friends. It's very easy to sit in your dorm room instead of going to class or going to hang out. It's easy to complain that there's nothing to do or nowhere to go. If you want to have a good time in college, take steps to make that happen. Invite people to go somewhere. Go to an optional event. Make your experience what you want.

**Megan Orr**

Know that you can change your mind.

**Teila Vochatzer**

Life goes by too fast, and your college years will fly by. Take time to slow down and enjoy every moment. What you think is a little moment turns out to be the memories that stick with you. Take chances, try something new and out of your comfort zone. Remember everything the city of Brevard, the community, and the college have to offer; all you have to do is look around as there are so many memories to be made.

**Kelsey Kushner**

Take advantage of the beautiful outdoors around campus. There are numerous places to swim, hike, climb, etc.

**Brock Tuttle**

“No matter what anyone says, just show up and do the work.

If they praise you, show up and do the work. If they criticize you, show up and do the work. If no one even notices you, just show up and do the work.

Just keep showing up, doing the work, and leading the way.

- Lead with passion.
- Fuel up with optimism.
- Have faith.
- Power up with love.
- Maintain hope.
- Be stubborn.
- Fight the good fight.
- Refuse to give up.
- Ignore the critics.
- Believe in the impossible.
- Show up.
- Do the work.
- You'll be glad you did.
- True grit leads to true success.”

*Excerpted from “The Power of Positive Leadership” by Jon Gordon*

**Lance Joseph Perl**

Sometimes college is hard, but even during the sad times and the stressful times, always continue to enjoy the people around you. You will never get this time back. Don't wish your time here away because it is one of the most rewarding times and challenging times of my life and I wish I could do it all over again.

**Natalee Highman**

Make the best of every opportunity.

**Ke'Vel kingsberry**

Try to be involved in some way!

**Megan**

Support the arts at your college and in your community. The arts help us to see the world around us and artists help to define the culture of a community. If you don't pay attention to the art around you, you may be missing out on wonderful avenues for entertainment and enlightenment.

**Peter Savage**

*BC Theatre professor*



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**Mai Sakuma, Dr. Mel Bringle and Haley Putnam at the Humanities Awards, April 2019.**