

# Bryse Vrolijk

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## EDUCATION

### The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Master of Science, Anticipated May 2026

College Student Personnel

### The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Bachelor of Science, 2024

Agriculture and Resource Economics

Magna Cum Laude

## STUDENT AFFAIRS EXPERIENCE

### Assistant Hall Director, Department of University Housing

July 2024 - Present

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Knoxville, TN

- Supervise, train, and evaluate a team of 20 Resident Assistants and 30 Office Assistants, providing ongoing feedback, professional development, and performance management.
- Implement and manage a comprehensive programming and community development model serving a primarily upper-class and graduate population of 500 residents.
- Adjudicate student conduct cases and manage resident and staff conflict using Maxient, ensuring fair, educational, and policy-aligned outcomes.
- Serve in an on-call professional staff rotation, supervising RA duty response and responding to crisis situations across multiple residential communities.
- Develop and manage a Resident Assistant hiring timeline, supporting recruitment, selection, and onboarding as part of the student staff recruitment and selection committee.
- Oversee all post office operations, including package management, logistics, and tracking using SC Logic, ensuring efficient and accurate service.

### Hall Council Advisor, Department of University Housing

August 2024- May 2025

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Knoxville, TN

- Coordinated the recruitment, election, and transition processes for residence hall council, supporting leadership continuity and student engagement.
- Advised weekly executive board meetings of approximately 10 student leaders, providing guidance on programming, finance, professional development, and member engagement.
- Managed and oversaw chapter financial transactions with combined budgets totaling \$10,000, ensuring responsible spending and accurate recordkeeping.
- Served as a liaison between United Residence Hall Council (URHC) and individual hall councils, supporting communication, collaboration, and alignment with organizational goals.
- Mentored student leaders through goal setting, reflection, and problem-solving to promote personal development, effective governance, and inclusive community building.

### Orientation & Student Engagement Intern, Office of Student Engagement

May 2024 - July 2024

The University of New England

Biddeford, ME

- Supervised 2 Lead Orientation Guilds and 14 Orientation Guilds, providing training, oversight, and daily support throughout multiple summer orientation sessions.
- Served as the primary point of contact for all orientation efforts across three summer sessions, welcoming approximately 600 incoming students.
- Acted as the main communication liaison between incoming students, families, and the University of New England, responding to questions and providing timely guidance.
- Led an orientation session titled "Listening Circles: Helping Build Mattering and Belonging at UNE," facilitating small-group dialogue focused on community, identity, and student connection.
- Coordinated and executed student engagement programming for a one-week Governor's School summer camp, including large-scale activities and community-building initiatives.

**Graduate Practicum Student**, Student Services & Dean's Office  
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville Herbert College of Agriculture

January 2025 - April 2025  
Knoxville, TN

- Assisted in the planning and launch of the VOL-TRAK program on the Herbert College of Agriculture campus, an exploratory initiative allowing undeclared students to engage with academic majors and departments across the college.
- Supported planning, coordination, and execution of the MANRRS Conference, including conference logistics and student engagement activities.
- Attended the MANRRS Conference (March 2025) and assisted with facilitation of the Quiz Bowl, supporting student participation and program flow.
- Shadowed Cassie Johnson, Director of Enrollment Services, gaining exposure to enrollment strategy, student recruitment, advising, and operational decision-making.
- Participated in college-level scholarship committee meetings, observing equitable review processes, funding decisions, and institutional policy application.

**Residence Life**, Governor's School of Science and Engineering | UTK- Pre-College Programs  
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

June 2024  
Knoxville, TN

- Supported residential operations for the Governor's School for Science and Engineering by working directly with all student participants in a live-in learning community
- Planned and facilitated nightly educational and social programs to enhance student engagement, belonging, and overall quality of life in the residence hall
- Served as a primary point of contact for students during evening hours, providing guidance, support, and appropriate referrals as needed
- Collaborated with fellow staff members to maintain a safe, inclusive, and structured residential environment for a high-achieving academic population
- Assisted with enforcing community expectations while promoting positive peer interactions and responsible decision-making

## **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE**

**Instructor**, ELPS

January 2024/25 – March 2024/25

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Knoxville, TN

- Facilitated a six-week Educational Leadership Institute for 15 Resident Assistant candidates centered on the Community Development Model (CDM).
- Designed and led discussions on CDM-based readings and leadership topics, fostering critical dialogue and applied learning.
- Engaged participants in interactive activities that promoted reflection, collaboration, and leadership development.
- Communicated course expectations and key information with students and campus partners to support effective course coordination and delivery.

## **CERTIFICATIONS AND AWARDS**

Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Certified

August 2025

United Residence Hall Advisor of the Year

May 2025

MANRRSConference Attendee

April 2025

SEAHO Annual Conference Attendee | Program Committee

February 2025

SAACURH Leadership Conference UTK Housing Representative

October 2023

NACURH Conference delegate and case study

May 2023

CIVSA Student Development Institute attendee and presenter

January 2023 & January 2024

Herbert Scholar

May 2023

The Rocky Top Award for Community Development in Residents Halls

May 2022