

2014 Latino College Fair and Planning & Paying for College Workshop

On November 22, 2014, a free “Planning and Paying for College Workshop” and College Fair will be held at Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus in the Bronx. All are welcome! The event will feature a workshop on college admission and financial aid, simulcast in Spanish. At the College Fair, more than 50 colleges and universities will be represented! You will be able to talk with the college representatives about their undergraduate (associate and bachelor’s) programs and campus life. And, for students who are currently in college, or students who are looking ahead to study after their 4-year degree, there will be a special area at

the Fair where you can meet with representatives from a number of graduate (master’s, doctoral, professional degrees) schools.

Families will also have the opportunity to meet individually with Spanish-speaking financial aid experts at the Fair and two mini-workshops will be offered, one on the FAFSA, in Spanish, and one with information for undocumented students.

For additional information and to see the growing list of participating undergraduate and graduate institutions that will be at the Fair, visit the event’s registration page (registration is optional, but helpful for our planning): <http://bit.ly/LCF14Reg>.



If you have questions or would like to order printed copies of the flyer (English and Spanish), contact Sabra-Joi Dingman (518.436.4781, sabra@cicu.org).

New York College Application Week

November 17 – 21, 2014



College Application Week is a national effort to encourage high school seniors to prepare for and apply to at least one postsecondary institution during week. Learn about New York’s College Application Week 2014 at <http://www.gocollegenewyork.org/apply>.

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HESC Relaunches hesc.ny.gov Website

HESC (New York State Higher Education Services Corporation) has redesigned its website with more interactive tools to help guide students and their families on how to prepare and pay for college. Visitors can learn about how to find the right college, get step-by-step plans on preparing for college, find out about the application processes for both college and financial aid, compare financial aid awards, and explore options for managing and repaying student loans. Other features of the revamped site include online chat, where students and their families can get answers to their questions from knowledgeable HESC staff. The site has been optimized for viewing on a variety of devices, including computers, tablets, smartphones, and other mobile devices.

Affording College 2015 Edition Coming Soon!

An updated guide to the financial aid process and major financial aid programs that also includes a locator map and contact information for New York’s 100+ private colleges and universities will be released later this fall. The 2015 edition will be available for free download at www.nycolleges.org/get-more-resources/paying-college.

Exploring Academic Programs: Health-Related Areas of Study

Careers in Healthcare are among the fastest-growing occupations and are projected to add more jobs than any other industry over the next eight years. For many healthcare careers, you will need a solid foundation in mathematics and science. All require at least an associate degree. Below is a list of health-related areas of study, by degree, offered at New York's 100+ private colleges and universities.

To see which private colleges and universities offer these programs, visit <http://nycolleges.org/find-your->

Health-Related Academic Programs

Associate Degree Programs

Dental Assistant/Hygiene
Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Funeral Service Administration
Health Institution Management
Massage Therapy
Medical Assistant
Medical Record Technology
Mental Health Services
Nutritional Health Services
Nuclear Medical/Radiological Technology
Nursing
Occupational Therapy Assistant
Pharmacy Technician
Physical Therapist Assistant/Pre-Physical Therapy
Respiratory Care/Inhalation Therapy
Surgical Technology
Veterinary Technology

Bachelor's Degree Programs

Biochemistry
Bioethics
Biology/Biological Sciences
Biometrics & Statistics
Biophysics
Cell Biology/Cytotechnology
Communicative Disorders
Community Health
Cytotechnology
Dental Hygiene/Health
Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Ultrasound)
Dietetics/Nutrition
Epidemiology
Forensic Science
Funeral Services Administration
Genetics and Development
Health/Clinical Sciences
Health Care Administration – Services/Systems
Health Education Teacher, K-12
Health Policy Planning/Administration
Health Promotion and Science
Health Studies – Human Behavior

Industrial Hygiene-Environmental Toxicology/Environmental Health Sciences
Life Sciences
Medical Technology/Biomedical Sciences/Clinical Laboratory Science
Microbiology/Electron Microscopy
Molecular Biology
Neuroscience/Neurobiology
Nuclear Medicine Technology
Nursing
Nutritional Sciences
Occupational Therapy
Outdoor Adventure Leadership
Pathologist's Assistant
Pharmaceutical Sciences
Pharmacy
Physical Education Teacher, K-12
Physical Therapy
Physician Assistant
Pre-Dental
Pre-Medical/Health
Pre-Optometry
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Podiatry

Pre-Veterinary
Radiological Sciences/Technology
Respiratory Therapy/Cardio-Respiratory Science
School/Community Health/Fitness Education
Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Sports/Exercise Studies/Athletic Training
Therapeutic Studies
Toxicology
Veterinary Technology

Cooperative Professional Degree Programs

Chiropractic (BS/DC)
Dentistry (BA, BS/DDS)
Medicine (BA, BS/MD)
Optometry (BS/OD)
Osteopathy (BS/DO)
Pharmacy (BS/Pharm.D.)
Physical Therapy (BA/DPT)
Podiatry (BA, BS/DPM)

Career Connection

Healthcare Careers: A Growing Demand

According to the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* of the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the need for employees in every type of healthcare occupation will increase over the next decade. In general, according to the BLS, the demand for healthcare professionals and workers will grow by 30 percent between 2012 and 2022, while the average for growth in demand for all occupations in the U.S. is 11 percent. Projections for the growth in demand for employees in certain healthcare fields range from 5 percent for psychiatric technicians to 12 percent for veterinarians, 21 percent for dietitians, 38 percent for physician assistants, and 49 percent for personal care aides.

Individuals employed in healthcare report more satisfaction in their jobs than do workers in other careers. According to PayScale.com, which annually surveys 1.4 million college alumni from more than a thousand U.S. colleges and universities, people employed in healthcare find their work meaningful and personally rewarding; 60 to over 90 percent of those working in healthcare, depending on the particular

occupation, report that they feel their work makes the world a better place.¹

To begin learning about healthcare professions, the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* at <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/home.htm>, lists 47 healthcare occupations. The listing for each includes a job summary; the degree, certificate, or level of education needed to get an entry-level job in that occupation; and the median annual pay for that job in 2012. A click on the title of the occupation leads to tabs with a more detailed summary of the job, what it involves, its work environment, median salary, general job outlook, and a list of similar occupations.

The New York Health Careers (<http://www.healthcareersinfo.net>) site also offers detailed information on nearly 60 healthcare occupations, including a description of the profession, earnings and income estimates, New York State licensure requirements, educational requirements, available financial aid for education and training, and updated lists of healthcare education programs in New York State.

¹ Source: "The Most and Least Meaningful Jobs," <http://www.payscale.com/data-packages/most-and-least-meaningful-jobs/interactive-chart>.

Fall Tasks for High School Students

9th Grade

- With your counselor, create a plan for the courses you will take in high school to prepare for college. Discuss your interests and goals.
- Explore possible careers and college majors.
- Get involved with extracurricular activities that interest you in and outside of school.
- Talk with high school students at your school who are preparing for college.
- Start saving for college.
- Study hard and read as much as possible.
- Attend college fairs and start researching colleges.

10th Grade

- Make sure the courses you are taking still meet your goal of preparing for college-level work. Consider taking advanced courses and challenging subjects.
- Begin researching how to pay for college. Learn about scholarships and grants – money that does not have to be paid back.

- Register for and take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).
- Speak with college representatives traveling to your school, attend college fairs, and visit a college campus near home.
- Discuss college plans with teachers, counselors, and mentors.
- Read widely. Work on your writing skills.

11th Grade

- Continue looking at colleges. Attend college fairs and financial aid sessions.
- Create a résumé that includes school activities, community service, athletics, artistic pursuits, hobbies, awards and honors, and work experience.
- Meet with your counselor to make sure you are taking the right courses for any colleges you hope to attend. Consider taking honors and Advanced Placement courses.
- Register for the SAT and/or ACT.
- Research and plan for college tours and visits.

12th Grade

- Decide on your top college choices.
- Keep a calendar with all deadlines for test registrations, college admission, and financial aid applications. Be sure to meet the deadlines.
- Early in the fall, work on drafts of college application essays.
- Ask teachers, counselors, mentors, and employers for letters of recommendation.
- Get organized. Put materials from the colleges that interest you in separate folders. Keep copies of everything.



Tips to Planning a Financial Aid Event for Students and Families

Holding a financial aid night, college application day, or FAFSA completion workshop is an efficient way for counselors and teachers to inform and speak with a number of people at once. Planning well ahead of time will help to ensure a smoothly run and ultimately successful event.

Tips for organizing an event:

- **Set a clear goal or purpose for the event.** Decide on the focus and take away you want attendees to know.
- **Choose a date, time, and place for the event.** The date should not conflict with other school and community events or with holidays. Consider what time of day would be most convenient for the participants. Serve food, if possible, if the event is held during a mealtime. The location should be familiar, accessible to those with limited physical mobility or who are dependent on public transportation, and have

adequate parking. Pick a room large enough to hold the expected number of attendees and have extra chairs available.

- **Presenters.** Contact local colleges and ask an admissions or financial aid staff member to speak. Decide on a format (PowerPoint presentation, panel discussion, team-teaching, Q & A session) and coordinate the presentations to avoid duplication. Be sure to review presentations ahead of time to make sure they are appropriate to the audience. Make sure presentations, equipment and technology (computers, projectors, screens, microphones) are in place and functioning.
- **Publicity.** Get out the word about the event as soon as possible, at least four to six weeks in advance, and in as many different ways as possible. Email students and families, contact local civic groups, post on Facebook, tweet on Twitter, put up posters around town, place ads in the school and

local newspapers, send flyers to community centers, and get public service announcements broadcast on local radio and TV stations.

- **Collect materials for the event.** Make sure there are ample supplies of any printed and downloaded materials; many resources are available for free.
- **Get help.** Ask for volunteers among colleagues, experts, and students to help with such tasks as set up, clean up, welcoming attendees, handing out materials, and serving refreshments.
- **Evaluate the event.** Ask attendees to complete an evaluation form, if appropriate, to solicit feedback. Learning what works and does not work will aid in preparing for future events.

More information about event planning can be found at the Federal Student Aid site's Financial Aid Toolkit at <http://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/outreach/host-event.jsp>.



Visit: www.nycolleges.org

Featuring:

- Updated preparing and planning for college resources for middle and high school students, transfer students, and U.S. military veterans/active duty service members
- New career exploration/student programs page with career exploration tools and internship opportunities
- Academic programs by college or by program interest
- A locator map to search for colleges by zip code
- Campus profiles to find the college that is right for you
- Upcoming open houses, admissions, and financial aid events at private colleges and universities
- Searchable database of outreach and enrichment programs by college



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New York's 100+ Private Colleges and Universities

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| Adelphi University | Medaille College |
| Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences | Memorial School of Nursing |
| Albany Law School | Mercy College |
| Albany Medical College | Metropolitan College of New York |
| American Academy McAllister Institute | Molloy College |
| American Museum of Natural History Richard Gilder Graduate School | Montefiore School of Nursing |
| Bank Street College of Education | Mount Saint Mary College |
| Bard College | Nazareth College |
| Barnard College | The New School |
| The Belanger School of Nursing | New York Chiropractic College |
| Boricua College | New York College of Podiatric Medicine |
| Bramson ORT College | New York Institute of Technology (NYIT) |
| Canisius College | New York School of Interior Design |
| Cazenovia College | New York University |
| Clarkson University | Niagara University |
| Cochran School of Nursing | Nyack College |
| Cold Spring Harbor, Watson School of Biological Sciences | Pace University |
| Colgate University | Paul Smith's College of Arts and Sciences |
| College of Mount Saint Vincent | Phillips Beth Israel School of Nursing |
| The College of New Rochelle | Pratt Institute |
| The College of Saint Rose | Relay Graduate School of Education |
| Columbia University | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute |
| Concordia College | Roberts Wesleyan College |
| Cooper Union | Rochester Institute of Technology |
| Cornell University | The Rockefeller University |
| The Culinary Institute of America | The Sage Colleges |
| Daemen College | Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing |
| Dominican College | Sarah Lawrence College |
| Dowling College | Siena College |
| D'Youville College | Skidmore College |
| Elmira College | St. Bonaventure University |
| Fei Tian College | St. Elizabeth College of Nursing |
| Finger Lakes Health College of Nursing | St. Francis College |
| Fordham University | St. John Fisher College |
| Hamilton College | St. John's University |
| Hartwick College | St. Joseph's College, New York |
| Helene Fuld College of Nursing | St. Joseph's College of Nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center |
| Hilbert College | St. Lawrence University |
| Hobart and William Smith Colleges | St. Thomas Aquinas College |
| Hofstra University | Syracuse University |
| Houghton College | Teachers College, Columbia University |
| Institute of Design and Construction | Touro College |
| Iona College | Trocaire College |
| Ithaca College | Union College |
| Keuka College | Union Graduate College |
| The King's College | University of Rochester |
| Le Moyne College | Utica College |
| Long Island University | Vassar College |
| Manhattan College | Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology |
| Manhattan School of Music | Villa Maria College |
| Manhattanville College | Wagner College |
| Maria College | Webb Institute |
| Marist College | Wells College |
| Marymount Manhattan College | Yeshiva University |