



# Beacon College Office Senior Bulletin

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## New This Week

**Have a wonderful spring break!**

### **May 1st/15th or June 1st deposit deadlines**

Your college deposit deadline is approaching! In a typical year, students have to decide which college they will attend by May 1st. Many colleges have extended this deadline to help students who have not received their financial aid packages because of FAFSA issues. Please check each school you are considering to see what their deadline is. You must commit and make your deposit prior to the deadline to secure your spot. Follow the school's instructions on your acceptance letter/portal. If you are still having FAFSA issues and the deadline is approaching you should contact the college to ask for an extension. As a reminder; you may only commit to ONE college and you must commit to a college to which you've been accepted even if you are remaining on one or more waitlists.

### **Senior Checklist**

Please review [this checklist](#) before May 1st so that you don't miss an important step in this process.

### **Keep working hard!**

Senior grades can impact college admissions and scholarships. [This article](#) explains some of the risks and how to best manage them.

# Reminders

## **Update Your Admissions Decisions**

Please make sure to update your admissions decisions in Naviance, including where you decide to attend college (the pencil icon next to each school will allow you to add/modify admissions decisions).

## **TAP (Tuition Assistance Program)**

Once you have filled out the FAFSA with at least one college in NY, you will get a direct link to fill out your TAP scholarship application. This is a scholarship for all schools in NYS (public/private) [if you are eligible](#). If you miss this email you can also just click [here](#) to fill out the TAP application.

Please be aware that it will automatically randomly populate one of the NYS colleges you listed on your FAFSA. You can leave that school there until you know where you are actually attending. You have until May to put in the attending college so that the money, if you qualify, goes to the correct school. You cannot fill out the TAP application until your FAFSA application has been processed.



## ☆ Last Chance Opportunities

### **YA-YA's 2024 Summer Social Justice Institute - both**

- This is a stipend 8-week opportunity open to NYC youth ages 15-19 who are interested in community organizing, New York City government, and social movement history.
- Application deadline: **Saturday, April 20th.**
- Learn more [here](#)

### **April 2024 Federal Student Aid Information**

- We invite you to join us on **April 24, 2024 at 3 p.m.**, as we explore the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program for borrowers with public service employment and income-driven repayment (IDR) plan. We'll also provide guidance on the following topics: eligibility for PSLF and IDR, payment count adjustment criteria to receive credit toward loan forgiveness, and how to apply for PSLF.
- [Register here](#)

### **North Manhattan Alumnae Scholarship Deadline Approaching!**

- Deadline: **Saturday, April 20th, 2024**
- This scholarship aims to support African American women from Manhattan public high schools who are transitioning directly to a four-year degree program.
- Scholarship Value: Up to \$2,000 per year, renewable for four years.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.
- Application Requirements:
  - Official Transcript (Grades 9-11)
  - Statement of Purpose
  - Two letters of recommendation (e.g., Principal, Counselor, Teacher)
  - Counselor Report
  - Proof of Income (e.g., tax returns, Social Security statements, or a letter of explanation for unemployment)
- Submission: You can upload documents directly to your application or email them to [scholarship@nmacdst.org](mailto:scholarship@nmacdst.org).
- The application must be completed in one sitting
- Questions? Please email us at [scholarship@nmacdst.org](mailto:scholarship@nmacdst.org).

### **Raymond J. Rue Memorial Scholarship**

- This scholarship is intended to provide aid to students' whose families and lives have been impacted by gun violence
- Applications are due **April 30, 2024**
- Please follow [this link](#) to apply



# Upcoming College-Related Events

## **UK College Admissions Weekly Zoom**

- Students and parents welcome to join this weekly informational Zoom on the UK college admissions process
- Join Tuesdays from 4-6 pm at this link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89591528259>
- Additionally, you can register for [this website](#), which gives you access to a plethora of information on UK admissions and access to personal meetings

## **Walk Through FSA ID for Parents**

- Students and contributors (parents or spouses) are required to have a FSA ID to complete and sign the FAFSA online
- Attend one of the information sessions for a step-by-step guide
- Register [here](#)

## **Macaulay Honors College- Spring 2024 Information Sessions**

- Hear from current students about their Macaulay experiences
- Date and Zoom Link:
  - [Thursday, May 16th 4:00-5:30 pm](#)





# Extracurricular & Internship Opportunities

## Options For Undecided Students- Dynamy Internship Year

- Students can spend a gap year or semester: working at one of a wide range of professional internships, living independently in an apartment, earning optional college credits through Clark University, mastering life skills, strengthening executive functioning skills, making friends and connecting with an incredible community of peers
- Helps students find their focus, build confidence, and gain skills critical for success in college, a career, or whatever else their future may hold
- Application link: <https://dynamy.org/apply/>

## Adelphi's Summer Courses

- Adelphi's summer courses provide opportunities to explore new interests and get ahead with college credits—at a highly reduced rate of \$625 per course.
- Offering more than 200 significantly discounted online, hybrid, and in-person classes with access to world-class faculty. Our online and on-campus options give students the flexibility to study the way that works best for them.
- Learn more about [Adelphi's Summer Sessions](#).
- Contact [summer@adelphi.edu](mailto:summer@adelphi.edu) or phone at 516.877.6474.

## GPSA, Global Health Travel Programs

- GPSA is currently offering global health travel programs to Thailand, Belize, West Virginia and Guatemala.
- For more information: <https://gpsa.org/global-health-travel-program/>

## Costa Rica Youth Exchange - Summer 2024

- 2 weeks to 2 months exchange program in Costa Rica.
- Sessions include arts, cooking, music, dance, Spanish conversation, sports, village events, farm visits, local excursions, outdoor games, youth service projects.
- Session One: June 9 - July 6 (four weeks). Session Two: July 7 - August 3 (four weeks)
- Summer 2024: [Dates/Costs](#). Register [here!](#)

## GlowNew

- An organization supporting women in homelessness by providing comprehensive makeovers and care packages
- In search of passionate students to start GlowNew chapters in schools - leadership experience, volunteer opportunities, awards, and online internships are all available
- Learn more [here](#)

## Banson NYC High School Fashion Summer Camps

- A chance for high school students to learn the fundamentals of the fashion industry from an insider perspective
- Students will stay in a midtown hotel with visits, seminars, and activities planned
- Summer 2024 camps will be taking place in late June and mid-July. Learn more [here](#).

## The JCC of Manhattan Camp Positions

- Transportation from Manhattan and lunch is included.
- See all open roles here: <https://mmjccm.org/careers>



-High school students ages 16+ are eligible for: Set toga day camp counselors, after school counselors, lifeguards and more.

**Ball State University Interior Design Summer Workshop**

- Workshop designed to help students explore the field of interior design and determine if it is right for them, get a head start on fundamental concepts, start building their portfolio, and more!
- Three workshops offered, one online and two in person
- Each workshop is limited to twelve students
- Online session will be held from June 10th to July 5th
- In person sessions include a ten-day residential stay at Ball State University and will be held from June 2nd to June 11th and from June 16th to June 25th
- Find more information and register for the workshop [here](#)

**DOROT Teen Internship Program**

- Summer internship program: June 24th-July 18th OR July 23rd-August 15th
- Gives interns a unique community service opportunity by connecting students with older adults in a variety of settings (chess games, home visits, discussions with older women, etc.)
- Internship is one afternoon per week
- High-quality training included
- Opportunity to earn service hours
- Learn more and apply for the academic internship [here](#) and summer internship [here](#)

**Music Theater Summer Academy**

- Hosted by Marymount Manhattan College on the Upper East Side
- Opportunity to analyze a script and song, make informed acting choices, use music to propel the story, and understand the techniques required to create a digital pre-screen.
- The program is based on current industry standards for both college auditions and the professional world in New York City.
- Dates - Summer Intensive I June 23rd - July 6th  
- Summer Intensive II July 7th - July 20th
- Learn more and apply [here](#)

**Youth Action/ Youth Build (YAYB)**

- Located in East Harlem
- Goal of program is to drive self-empowerment
- Provides job skills training, job placement services, high school equivalency certification and a safe environment where students are positively encouraged to become leaders in their communities.
- Learn more [here](#)

**14Y New Country Day Camp Employment Opportunity**

- Group Counselor | 16+: Seeking enthusiastic, highly motivated, creative and responsible role models who have previous demonstrable experience working with children. Candidates should be friendly, warm, and passionate about working in a high-energy, outdoor camp environment.
- Support Specialist | 18+: Support Specialists work alongside group counselors and closely with campers who have special needs such as mild to moderate ASD, ADHD,

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mood or anxiety disorders in a fully inclusive camp setting. Candidates should have demonstrated experience or interest in working with neurodivergent children.

- Transportation via air-conditioned buses is available across Brooklyn and Manhattan. Hot lunch is provided 5 days a week!
- Learn more and apply [here](#)

### **Internship Opportunities Presented by Ladder Internships**

- Check out the variety of internships including NASA and working with the Mayor!
- Learn more [here](#)

### **Free Community Service Opportunity - GENuine Connections**

- Be a part of an ever-growing community of high schoolers and older adults (65+) building lasting connections!
- meet weekly over Zoom in small groups for meaningful conversations and fun activities to bridge generational divides
- Our Spring Semester begins on Monday, March 25th
- Apply [here](#)

### **Suffolk University Summer Public History Institute**

- Through site visits, group discussions, and behind-the-scenes museum tours, students will learn valuable skills in historical research, museum studies, and digital interpretation.
- Their studies will culminate in the creation of individualized digital exhibits using their very own Meta Quest unit, a cutting-edge virtual reality technology, which each student will get to keep!
- The program will take place July 7-19, 2024.
- Learn more [here](#) and apply by May 6.

### **Free HBCU College Trip to Washington D.C.**

- All students must be 18+
- Colleges include: Coppin State University, University of D.C, Howard, Bowie State.
- Contact Ms. Heller if you are interested.

### **NYPL's Career Resources Fair on 5/1**

- This free event will be held at the Stephen A. Schwarzman Building in midtown Manhattan on Wednesday, May 1 from 10 AM-1:30 PM.
- At this event, our goal is to showcase: 1) a wide variety of career pathways that do not necessarily require a college degree, 2) workforce development programs in and around New York City, and 3) supportive career resources that will help teens prepare to enter the workforce now and in the future.
- Contact Ms. Heller if you wish to go!



# Academic Prep Resources

## **Sci-Inspire at Columbia University**

- Complimentary tutoring service from Columbia students for high schoolers pursuing STEM subjects
- Tutors are highly accomplished and selected carefully
- Sessions take place on Tuesday evenings
- Learn more [here](#)

## **Revolution Prep Tutoring \$200 + \$50 Gift Card Offer**

- Revolution Prep private online tutoring focuses on closing academic learning gaps, scaffolding complex subject matter, improving grades and GPA, strengthening executive functioning skills, and preparation for exams (AP, SAT, ACT and more)
- Offering Beacon families a \$200 gift card to use toward a tutoring package Find more information [here](#)

## **Ulster University Discovery Academy**

- Online courses free and available to all
- Designed to help students choose a major
- Courses are self-paced and accessible 24/7
- Learn more [here](#)







# Scholarships

## **TIME 2000 Program at Queens College**

- A specially designed undergraduate teacher education program offering scholarship towards tuition for all accepted students
- Aims to recruit highly qualified math students, with teacher shortages expected to rise
- Follow [this link](#) to apply and learn more

## **CACNY Scholarship Plus**

- Open to high school seniors in NYC who have demonstrated a GPA of 84.5% or higher, family income of less than \$52,000, and a willingness to engage in community events, workshops, and semester check-ins
- Applicants must be citizens or have permanent residency in the US
- Learn more and apply [here](#)

## **Bridging the Dream Scholarship**

- 2024-25 Bridging the Dream Scholarship is open now through May 17.
- Application and eligibility requirements are: Open to current high school seniors of a diverse background, plan to enroll at a 2- or 4- year college or vocational/technical school, minimum 2.75 GPA, pell grant. Learn more [here](#).

## **Other Scholarship Resources**

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.myscholly.com](http://www.myscholly.com)

