

LaGuardia Merit Scholarships

LaGuardia Community College to Provide Scholarships to New Low-Income Students to Enroll Post-Covid

LaGuardia Community College is launching a new scholarship program to help low-income students from households that suffered economic losses during the pandemic. The goal of the LaGuardia Merit Scholarships is to provide last-dollar assistance to enable new and returning college students to enroll in LaGuardia this fall despite financial hardships caused by the pandemic.

LaGuardia will award \$500 scholarships to 1,000 qualifying students. Funds can be used to pay tuition, fees, books, technology, or for personal expenses. To qualify, returning students must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Freshmen must have a high school average of at least 80. To demonstrate financial need new students must complete federal (FAFSA) and NYS (TAP) financial aid applications. Continuing LaGuardia students with a 2.5 GPA already receiving federal and state financial aid are automatically eligible.

Students can attend LaGuardia full- or part-time. International, DACA, and undocumented students are encouraged to contact Student Financial Services financialaid@lagcc.cuny.edu regarding their eligibility. Funds will not be accessible until students' course registration is fully confirmed (Sept 25). Returning students will be prioritized for scholarships by their proximity to graduation (e.g. students with 45 or more credits will be considered before those with 30-45 credits).

The LaGuardia Merit Scholarships will be administered by the LaGuardia Office of Student Financial Services in cooperation with the Offices of Recruitment, Admissions, the Student Information Center, ASAP, and Advising.

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