



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Invest in college students on their journey to success.

Help them meet their potential.

Make a difference in your community.

Increase economic opportunity and address income inequality.

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- 74% are female and 98% are Black or people of color.
- SGSNY supports City University of New York (CUNY) students across all five NYC boroughs, and is one of the largest donors to Lehman College.



In the United States, the overall dropout rate for undergraduate college students is 40%.*

These students—largely low-income, first-generation and students of color—are forced to delay or discontinue their academic pursuits due to the increasingly prohibitive cost of college. They are often responsible for supporting their families and despite their best efforts, balancing school, family and work is a major challenge.

At St. George’s Society of New York (SGSNY), our goal is to continue our 253 years of “serving the underserved” and close the education and opportunity gap for these students and help them unleash their potential.

We know that higher education serves as an engine for social and economic mobility. By removing financial barriers, we can ensure that these high-achieving students can focus on their studies, reach graduation and take the next step towards achieving their professional goals.

**Source: Hanson, Melanie. “College Dropout Rates.” EducationData, 17 June 2022, educationdata.org/college-dropout-rates.*



SGSNY'S SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Since 2008, St. George's Society of New York's Scholarship Program has provided valuable financial aid to remarkable students in their final year of undergraduate studies. Intervention at this critical moment has a monumental impact and helps our students across the finish line.

We have served more than 473 scholars—first at Lehman and Hunter Colleges, and now at City University of New York (CUNY) institutions across all five boroughs of New York City.

With a completion rate of 98%, these extraordinary individuals have gone on to pursue careers in a variety of fields including medicine, education, social work, finance and tech.

Many of our scholars remain closely tied to their communities, giving back in their own ways.

Our assistance goes far beyond graduation—including invaluable enrichment opportunities such as mentoring and career development workshops, which help to bridge the divide between college and employment.

Pictured (from top): 2018 scholars from Lehman and Hunter Colleges at welcome reception; Amy, 2019 Scholar at professional development workshop for SGSNY scholars.



You can transform the trajectory for our students, their families and our community. Your support is critical to ensuring the futures of students especially hard hit at this time of uncertainty.



Pictured (clockwise from top left): Siam, 2018 Scholar; Felicia, 2020 Scholar; Sana, 2016 Scholar; Emeka, 2020 Scholar

HEAR FROM OUR SCHOLARS & PARTNERS

Anjali, 2020 Scholar

Originally from Guyana, Anjali discovered her passion for nursing after a chance encounter with a customer while working at a gift shop. Hearing how a nurse had given the customer's mother such comfort and security before her passing inspired her to enter the field.

During the pandemic, she picked up additional shifts at her job to support her family, but balancing work and school proved increasingly challenging. Her SGSNY scholarship alleviated her financial burden allowing her to get one step closer to becoming a Labor and Delivery Nurse. Now that Anjali has graduated, she plans to gain a few years clinical experience before pursuing her graduate degree to become a Midwife.

"This is what I love to do and what I aspire to do—give back to my community and help others. My journey so far has not been easy, but through it all I have learned that dedication, hard work, and an appreciative outlook on life is what is of most importance."

Samantha, 2020 Scholar

Samantha was the first in her family to attend college. From a single-parent household, she had to work to help provide for her family, which caused her to miss out on many of the extracurricular opportunities afforded high school students. When she enrolled at Queens College, she initially saw herself going into education as she worked as an after-school teacher throughout high school. After taking her first political science course, she realized that she wanted to become a lawyer.

"I realized that my interests were in making a difference in the lives of those who need a voice and representation."

Graduated in Spring 2021 with a dual degree in Political Science and Elementary Education as well as her NYS Initial Teaching Certificate.

Coller Capital, Corporate Partner

Coller Capital became a corporate supporter of the Scholarship Program in 2019 and has sponsored scholarships annually.

"Coller Capital is proud to have supported St. George's Society of New York's Scholarship Program and help students over the past several years. The opportunity to provide not only financial support, but also mentor these students was particularly appealing to us. Last year, through our mentorship and professional connections, we were especially pleased to be able to help place our scholar with her 'dream job' at one of the Big Four accounting firms."

PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS

Demonstrate your investment in the next generation of leaders and support a program with life-changing results. Let's make this, much needed societal change together. We can increase access to quality education across New York City's five boroughs, improve economic opportunities for underserved communities, and perhaps, channel the talents and enthusiasm of your employees through mentorship and coaching. Our program offers a proven, impactful solution for companies looking for a cause marketing opportunity or employee engagement activity. We have the flexibility to adapt some elements to your business development, CSR or marketing needs.

All companies who provide an annual gift of \$1,000 or more will be recognized as a member of the 1786 Circle. A contribution of \$8,000, will cover the full annual tuition* for a CUNY student and enrichment activities. Gifts of any amount have a positive impact on our students and are greatly appreciated.



Honors \$1,000-\$6,000

- Recognition in SGSNY Annual Report
- Recognition on SGSNY website
- Quarterly program updates

Dean's List \$8,000

- All the benefits of Honors plus*
- Invitation to annual scholar reception
 - Opportunity for employees or representatives to participate in mentoring activities with scholars
 - Use of SGSNY partner credentials on company materials and website

Cum Laude \$10,000-\$24,000

- All the benefits of Dean's List plus*
- Opportunity for feature in SGSNY newsletter
 - Invitation to scholar engagement activations (i.e. networking nights)

Valedictorian \$25,000+

- All the benefits of Cum Laude plus*
- Named scholarship

Partners who pledge multi-year commitments (3 or more years at any giving level) will have the option to name a scholarship for the duration of their giving period.

*Based on CUNY tuition costs as of 2022-23 academic year



Thank you for your consideration.

To find out more on how you can support SGSNY's Scholarship Program,
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