

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 254 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 nearly 500 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 Lebman and Hunter Colleges at welcome reception; Amy, 2019 Scholar at professional development workshop for SGSNY scholars.





The British Ball is critical for SGSNY's Scholarship Program, providing 95% of funds awarded to our scholars annually. All money raised goes directly toward these students' tuition and living expenses.









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

HEAR FROM OUR SCHOLARS & PARTNERS

Samuel, 2021 Scholar

Samuel was born & raised in Kumasi, Ghana, before emigrating to the US. He gained a place at Lehman College to pursue a Nursing degree, but the pandemic posed many challenges for him. Quarantine rules made school/life balance difficult, and he was unable to work, which created significant financial hardship. The SGSNY scholarship helped Samuel to pay for his textbooks and school supplies, clinical virtual simulation programs, equipment, transportation and living expenses.

He plans to enroll in a Nurse Anesthetist Program, after working 1-2 years in critical care areas.

"The scholarship eliminated the need for me to find work and instead allowed me to focus more on my studies. SGSNY has also provided me with guidance through mentorships and helped me to build my network through meeting other scholarship recipients and people in different fields of work."

Popy, 2022 Scholar

Originally from Bangladesh, Popy lost her mother at the age of nine and was prevented from completing her education. She immigrated to the U.S. in 2015 and completed a GED, teaching herself English at the Queens Library and with YouTube classes. Popy realized her educational goals in 2023 when she graduated from Queens College with a Fine Arts degree.

In the fall after graduation, she was accepted into John's Hopkins University 's Master of Nonprofit Management program. She aspires to give voice to South Asian women in the U.S. and globally.

"I am familiar with how harsh the world can be toward people like me. But the way St. George's Society and my mentor accepted me sincerely brings tears to my eyes. I am so grateful to you. Words cannot express the joy."

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 support 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.



Thank you for your consideration.

To find out more on how you can support SGSNY's Scholarship Program, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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