Fordham University’s Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program (CSTEP)

The number of science and healthcare jobs is expected to grow dramatically in the near future. Yet the percentage of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) degrees awarded to underrepresented minorities each year is relatively small.

At Fordham CSTEP, we want to see that change. CSTEP is a statewide undergraduate scholars program designed to prepare minority and economically disadvantaged students for careers in fields in which they are underrepresented:

- STEM professions
- Health professions
- Law
- Other licensed fields

Our program is one of the largest and most successful of New York state’s 40-plus CSTEP chapters.

With the individualized attention and academic support we provide, many of our scholars get accepted each year to medical schools, law schools, and prestigious graduate and fellowship programs.

What We Provide

The cornerstone of the CSTEP experience is the close relationship between scholars and the program’s academic counselors.

Whether it’s help with your class schedule, reviewing personal statements, or finding summer research programs and internships, your counselor is always there to support you.

CSTEP scholars also benefit from multiple academic and career-oriented resources:

- Academic and career counseling
- Paid internships and research assistantships
- Student skills workshops
- Review classes for pre-health prerequisite courses
- Career seminars and networking opportunities
- Scholarships for test preparation courses
- Financial assistance for graduate school applications
- State-of-the-art computer lab and laptop loaner program
- Cultural and social activities

A Tight-Knit Community

As a CSTEP scholar, you’ll be part of a dynamic and diverse community of highly motivated students on Fordham’s Rose Hill and Lincoln Center campuses. You’ll make close friends and develop a peer network that you’ll come to depend on throughout your college years and your career.

We encourage you to apply to CSTEP during freshman year, but you may do so at any point during your time at Fordham.

Program Eligibility

- Applicants must meet the minimum 12-month New York state residency requirement.
- CSTEP encourages matriculated students who are historically underrepresented in the scientific, technical, and health professions to apply to the program. The State of New York has identified African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, Native Americans, and Alaskan Natives as underrepresented groups in these fields.
- Economically disadvantaged matriculated students are also eligible to apply to CSTEP. The State of New York has established income requirements for students who apply based on economic factors. Please visit Fordham’s CSTEP web pages (fordham.edu/CSTEP) for family income limits.
Fordham CSTEP will help prepare you for a career in the STEM professions and other licensed fields:

- Accounting
- Allied Health Professions
- Architecture
- Chiropractic Medicine
- Computer Science
- Dentistry
- Education (Math and Science)
- Engineering
- Law
- Medicine
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physical and Natural Sciences
- Podiatry
- Psychology
- Social Work
- Veterinary Medicine

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For economically disadvantaged students and minority students who have been underrepresented in the STEM professions and other licensed fields.