

THE CUNY BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

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CUNY Baccalaureate Program
The Graduate Center, CUNY
365 Fifth Avenue, Room 6412
New York, NY 10016-4309

HOW TO APPLY

Pre-application interviews are available with the Program's academic advisors. The interviews cover an overview of the Program, the admissions criteria, an informal transfer evaluation, and the application process. To schedule an appointment, please call the Program office at (212) 817-8220. The interviews take place at the Program office, located at 365 Fifth Avenue, Room 6412, NYC.

For an application, please contact the Program office at the address/phone number shown below. Applications are also available on each CUNY campus (call the Program office for details).

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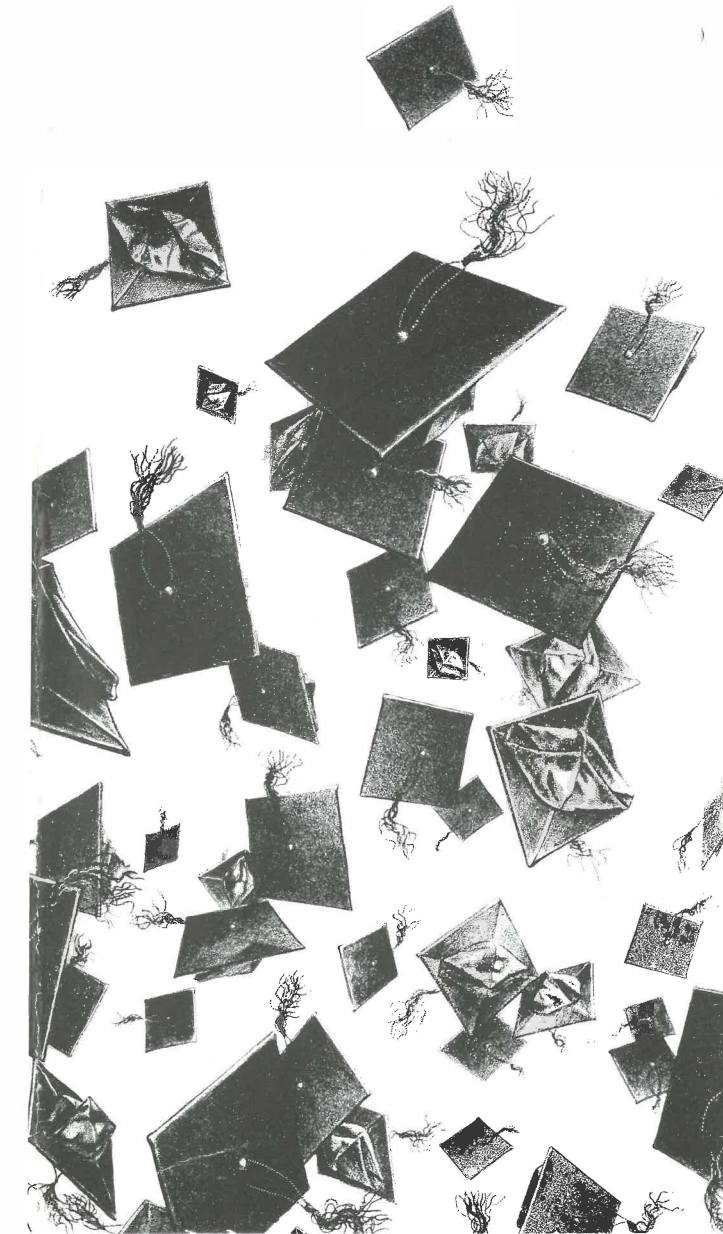
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THE CUNY BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

Is it for you?

The Program serves self-directed, academically strong, motivated students who want to participate actively in the design of their own unique program of study.

Established in 1971, the CUNY Baccalaureate Program is a small, individualized program within the vast structure of The City University of New York. The program has over 4,500 alumni. Currently, close to 700 students are enrolled in the Program, which is administered by The Graduate Center of The City University of New York. Students may take their courses at any of the CUNY colleges.

What graduates say about the CUNY Baccalaureate Program:

"I was transformed by my experience in the Program and by the feeling of accomplishment that accompanied the completion of my degree."

William Belmonte (graduated 1997)

"Having a stake in designing my own program enabled me to focus on studies to which I was truly committed."

Renée Brody (graduated 1997)

"The Program is a tremendous success. The advising staff really care about the students' achievements and future success – they helped me achieve my academic goals."

Gloria Long (graduated 1996)

"As a mature student returning to school after over 20 years, I feel so grateful to the CUNY Baccalaureate Program. Thank you for the new me."

Catherine Koutnouyan (graduated 1992)

"The CUNY Baccalaureate Program was the perfect bridge to a new career."

Julio Urbina (graduated 1989)

"At age 30, I felt I was going nowhere. I was proud to be accepted by the Program, and I am even prouder to be a graduate."

Thomas Amessé (graduated 1986)

SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE PROGRAM

Work with a faculty mentor to design your own area of specialization to suit your academic and career goals

Students accepted to the Program work with one or two full-time CUNY faculty members who help them develop a coherent and meaningful area of concentration (major).

Receive up to 90 transfer credits

All passing grades earned within CUNY, as well as grades of "C" or better from any other accredited institution of higher learning in the United States, may be transferred. A maximum of 60 credits are accepted from community colleges.

Attend classes at all 17 CUNY undergraduate colleges

Students enrolled in the CUNY Baccalaureate Program may register for college courses at any CUNY unit. Special registration procedures make course offerings available to CUNY Baccalaureate students at the University's community and senior colleges and, in selected cases, at the CUNY Graduate Center.

Earn nonclassroom credit toward your degree

Nonclassroom credit may be applied toward the CUNY Baccalaureate degree, including independent study, fieldwork, internships, and credit for prior experiential learning.

Set your own pace

Students may enroll as full-time or part-time students attending day and/or evening or weekend classes.

Receive personal attention

In addition to choosing at least one faculty mentor in the major field of study, each CUNY Baccalaureate student is assigned his or her own academic advisor. The Program office is open five days per week.

Scholarships available

Both full-time and part-time students may apply for the Thomas W. Smith Academic Fellowships, which are awarded on the basis of academic performance, letters of recommendation, and a personal statement.

Graduate school workshops offered

For CUNY Baccalaureate students interested in pursuing graduate studies, the Program offers workshops on the application process and preparation for the GRE (Graduate Record Examination).

WHERE CAN THE CUNY BACCALAUREATE DEGREE LEAD?

Athena Gassoumis (1997) was accepted into the Union Theological Seminary on a full academic scholarship.

Pamela Parker-Rosenbaum (1996) was accepted into the Ph.D. Program in Psychology/Clinical Psychology at the CUNY Graduate Center.

Stephen D. Turtell (1994) was accepted into the M.F.A. program at Brooklyn College, where he teaches Freshman Composition.

Gerald Van Loon (1994) was accepted into New York University's M.B.A. program and currently works as a controller in New York.

Arturo Garcia-Costas (1992) was accepted into Stanford Law School.

Huda Seif (1992) was awarded a faculty fellowship in Anthropology at Columbia University.

Hassan Sabere (1991) was accepted into the Ph.D. Program in Biomedical Sciences/Microbiology at Mount Sinai Medical School.

Betty Lynd (1990) was accepted into the master's program at Hunter College's School of Social Work.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION?

Anyone who has completed at least 15 college credits with a minimum cumulative index of 2.5 (overall and for recent semesters), who has passed the CUNY Skills Assessment Tests, and who has a valid academic reason for applying, such as a desire to complete an interdisciplinary area of concentration or an area of specialization not available at a CUNY college, the desire to take courses at more than one CUNY college or, as an adult student (age 25 or older), the need to maximize prior academic work.

Applicants who are not currently matriculated at a CUNY college must file for regular transfer admission to a CUNY school and simultaneously apply to the CUNY Baccalaureate Program. CUNY transfer applications are available at all CUNY college admissions offices and through the CUNY Baccalaureate Program office.