

## Independent Colleges and Universities

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Program:

### Arthur O. Eve Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP)

Description:

HEOP provides a broad range of services to New York State residents who, because of academic and economic circumstances, would otherwise be unable to attend a postsecondary educational institution.

Student Eligibility:

- HEOP serves New York State residents who are both academically and economically disadvantaged. Disadvantaged students are individuals from low-income families with potential for successful collegiate experiences but who have not acquired the verbal, mathematical, and other cognitive skills required to complete their college work.
- Students must be matriculated and working toward a degree.

Website:

[www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/colldev/HEOP/](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/colldev/HEOP/)

## SUNY

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Program:

### Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)

Description:

The State University of New York's Educational Opportunity Program provides access, academic support and financial aid to students who show promise for succeeding in college but who may not have otherwise been offered admission. Available primarily to full-time, matriculated students, the program supports students throughout their college careers within the University.

Student Eligibility:

- A New York State resident for twelve months prior to enrollment;
- Require special admissions consideration;
- Qualify as economically disadvantaged according to the guidelines. In selecting students for the program, priority is given to applicants from historically disadvantaged backgrounds.

Website:

[www.suny.edu/attend/academics/eop/](http://www.suny.edu/attend/academics/eop/)

## CUNY

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Program:

### College Discovery

Description:

College Discovery is the higher education opportunity program at the two year CUNY colleges. It was established to provide comprehensive academic support to assist capable students who otherwise might not be able to attend college due to their educational and financial circumstances. Students are admitted without regard to age, sex, sexual orientation, race, disability or creed.

Student Eligibility:

- Be a legal resident of New York State for at least one year prior to entering college;
- Be a high school graduate or recipient of a state-approved equivalency diploma;
- Be a first-time freshman or previously enrolled in an HEOP or EOP program;
- Have a gross family income that meets the New York State guidelines;
- Have earned a College Admissions Average (CAA) of less than 80 percent.

Website:

[www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/seekcd/cd-overview.html](http://www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/seekcd/cd-overview.html)

Program:

### SEEK

Description:

SEEK stands for Search for Education, Elevation, and Knowledge. It is the higher education opportunity program at the senior (four year) CUNY colleges. It was established to provide comprehensive academic support to assist capable students who otherwise might not be able to attend college due to their educational and financial circumstances. Students are admitted without regard to age, sex, sexual orientation, race, disability, or creed.

Student Eligibility:

- Be a legal resident of New York State for at least one year prior to entering college;
- Be a high school graduate or recipient of a state-approved equivalency diploma;
- Be a first-time freshman or previously enrolled in an HEOP or EOP program;
- Have a gross family income that meets the New York State guidelines;
- Be inadmissible according to the freshman admissions criteria established for the CUNY senior college you want to attend.

Website:

[www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/seekcd/seek-overview.html](http://www.cuny.edu/academics/programs/notable/seekcd/seek-overview.html)