Declaration Reference and Key Data

Obligation Section Number: **5.07 (c)(xvi)**

Obligation Title: **Community Scholars Program**

Obligation Page Number: **56**

Obligation Trigger: **Acquisition by ESD or CU of all Initial Stage 1 Condemnation Parcel(s)**

Obligation Start Date: **March 12, 2012**

Obligation End Date: **March 12, 2038* (10 Year Pilot; 25 Years from Commencement)**

Obligation Status: **In Compliance**

Obligation

Community Scholars Program. Commencing with the acquisition by ESD or CU of all Initial Stage 1 Condemnation Parcels, and continuing for a 25-year period from commencement, CU shall offer independent, community-based scholars from Northern Manhattan access to a range of services provided by CU and resources not usually afforded to non-affiliated residents. Services and resources shall be provided at no cost to participants and shall include access to all of CU's libraries – including on-line access, course auditing privileges, dialogue with scholars in their field of study, and the ability to participate in seminars and social events developed specifically for the group of in buildings proposed within the Project Site. Selection shall be determined by an application process, reviewed by a committee of CU's faculty and leaders from relevant local cultural institutions. Scholars shall be appointed for 3-year terms. In the first year CU shall appoint up to five scholars; in the second year CU shall appoint up to an additional five, so that after year one there shall be a plan to have a cohort of ten scholars. CU envisions the program to proceed as a pilot for ten years and then be re-evaluated in good faith to assess its effectiveness.

*Planning activities were still ongoing upon the obligation trigger date. Appointments to the Community Scholars program began in 2013, one year after the trigger date. Therefore, this obligation will be in effect until 2038, 25 years from the commencement of the obligation implementation, after an assessment in 2023.

Evidence of Compliance

1. Annual report

Columbia University's Implementation Plan and all supporting documentation are made available on the Community Services Webpage at http://manhattanville.columbia.edu/community/benefits-and-amenities.

EOC Checklist for Obligation 5.07(c)(xvi):

Please check to verify EOC items submitted for review.

☐ 1. Annual report

Monitor's Notes / Comments:

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Status:
Please check to indicate the status of Obligation 5.07(c)(xvi):

☐ In Compliance

☐ In Progress

☐ Not In Compliance

☐ Not Triggered

Annual Report: Community Scholars Program

Number of Applications Received: **14**
Number of Scholars Selected: **4**

The Community Scholars Selectees Provided Below:

#	First Name (Initial)	Last Name	Zip Code	Selected (Y/N)
1	N.	Dorsinville	10025	Y
2	K.	Sutton-James	10026	Y
3	A.	Tyler	10031	Y
4	M.	Washington	10027	Y

The Community Scholars Applicants Provided Below:

#	First Name (Initial)	Last Name	Zip Code	Selected (Y/N)
1	D.	██████	10027	N
2	A.	██████	10031	N
3	R.	██████	10037	N
4	R.	██████	10027	N
5	A.	██████	10028	N
6	B.	██████	10025	N
7	K	██████	10027	N
8	G	██████	10037	N
9	K.	██████	11435	N
10	C.	██████	10031	N

Additional Supporting Documentation

- Copies of public notifications and/or announcements of available scholarships
- Columbia Community Scholars Program: Prospective Scholars Application
- Columbia Community Scholars Program: Community Scholars & Project Descriptions: Cohort V
- Columbia Community Scholars Program: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Columbia University's Community Scholars Program is seeking nominations and applications for its next class; the deadline is Thursday, April 27, 2017. The program, one of the benefits associated with the Manhattanville Campus Expansion, offers independent, community-based scholars from Northern Manhattan access to a suite of Columbia University services and resources in order to work toward the completion of a particular project or to attain skill in a particular area. We hope you will share this announcement with people you think would make great candidates.

Please click here to view an informational video about the Columbia Community Scholars Program

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For those with questions regarding the application, we are hosting a **Columbia Community Scholars Program Information Session on Thursday, March 16th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm** in the Burden Room of Columbia University's Low Library (Room 206). Please RSVP to ▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮ at your earliest convenience if you plan to attend.

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 Directions:
Access to Low Library can be gained by entering Columbia's Morningside Campus at West 116th St. from Broadway or Amsterdam Ave. and walking up the steps of Low Memorial Plaza.

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Please see program website for detailed information on eligibility, application requirements and program terms.

Subject: Annual Columbia Community Reception - April 26th

Greetings,

The Office of the Provost and the Office of Government and Community Affairs invite you to the annual Columbia Community Reception on April 26. This event brings together members of the West Harlem Development Corporation (WHDC) and other local community groups in an effort to foster opportunities for collaboration with Columbia faculty and administrators. The evening will include brief remarks by Professor Geraldine Downey, Director of the Center for Justice at Columbia University.

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Columbia - Community Reception
Wednesday, April 26, 2017
4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Garden Room Two
Faculty House
Refreshments will be served

RSVP to:

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Please feel free to share this excellent networking opportunity with colleagues you think might be interested. We hope that you are able to join us!

Reminder: Applications to the Columbia Community Scholars Program are due April 27!

Directions:
Faculty House is located on Columbia's East Campus. Walk across West 116th St. from Amsterdam Ave towards Morningside Drive. After passing Jerome Greene Hall on the left, enter Wien courtyard through the gates. Follow the courtyard around to the right, and Faculty House will be the last building on the right.

Community Services

As part of the University's ongoing commitment to the local community, Columbia has dedicated a portion of the Manhattanville website to communicate some of the University's commitments for project-related programs and services that are currently available. For a comprehensive listing of programs and services, and participant eligibility, please visit **manhattanville.columbia.edu/community**

Outreach to Disconnected Youth

Columbia University has initiated outreach to identify and engage disconnected youth ages 16–24 in the local community who have not completed high school or obtained a high school equivalency diploma in order to enroll them at no cost in New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) high school programs or TASC programs. Upon completion of a high school diploma or its equivalent, participants will be referred for skills training, internships, and work-based learning opportunities through community-based organizations. Columbia will make a good faith effort to place participants in positions with Columbia University. For more information about how to access the program, please contact 212-854-5916.

Columbia Employment Information Center

The Columbia Employment Information Center (CEIC) (the "Center") serves as the central community-based resource for local residents to apply for open positions at Columbia University.

The Center provides a wide range of services to the local community including in-person and online job readiness training programs, one-on-one job-search counseling and assistance, and access to online job opportunities at Columbia.

You are welcome to call our 24-hour hotline at 212-851-1551; it provides general information about the Center, information on Columbia University job opportunities, information on construction activities and information on construction-related job opportunities.

Course Auditing

Columbia University funds up to 50 courses per year through Columbia's Professional Studies Auditing Program for residents (25 residents from NYCHA Manhattanville Houses and Grant Houses and 25 residents from the local community). The Auditing Program provides adults not currently enrolled in college with the opportunity to attend up to two selected lectures drawn from Columbia University's offerings in the Arts and Sciences during the academic year.

For more information about the program, please call 212-854-9666.

Dental Health Screenings for Senior Citizens

Columbia University offers free dental health screenings for senior citizens throughout Northern Manhattan via the ElderSmile Program. As part of Columbia University's College of Dental Medicine Community DentCare Network, the ElderSmile Program offers free dental screenings and referrals for further dental treatment at senior centers throughout Washington Heights/Inwood and Harlem, including New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) residents in Manhattanville Houses and General Grant Houses.

Dental Services for Preschool Children

Columbia University offers free dental care for preschool-age children from the Manhattanville in West Harlem area through the Mobile Dental Center. The Mobile Dental Center is a program of Columbia University's College of Dental Medicine Community DentCare Network, which aims to reduce dental decay and improve the oral health of Northern Manhattan's underserved children, through comprehensive dental treatment and oral health education.

Scholarships for Lifelong Learners

Columbia University provides scholarships for 50 residents of Manhattanville Houses, Grant Houses, and the local community who are 65 years of age and older to audit up to two courses per year. Administered through Columbia's School of Professional Studies, the Lifelong Learners Program is designed for individuals committed to the principles of lifelong education.

For more information about the program, please call 212-854-9666.

Summer Sports Little Lions Camp Scholarships for Children

Columbia University offers 25 need-based scholarships for children ages 6–12 from the Manhattanville area to attend Columbia's Little Lions Camp. One scholarship is equal to one week of camp. All scholarship applications must come to Columbia University through the West Harlem Development Corporation (WHDC). For more information, please contact the WHDC at 646-476-3394.

Space Provisions for Non-Columbia-Affiliated Local Artists and Cultural Organizations

Columbia University, consistent with current practice, makes good faith efforts to accommodate requests by local artists and cultural organizations not affiliated with Columbia for access to its indoor or outdoor spaces for programming that may include, but is not limited to, information sessions, performances, special events or presentations. Payment for such space will be in accordance with then current University protocols. Columbia University space is generally awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given to Columbia and student activities, followed by local community activities.

Columbia Community Scholars Program

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For more information, please direct inquiries about the Community Scholars Program to 212-854-5710 or communityaffairs@columbia.edu.

Athletics Clinics

Columbia University's varsity sports programs and coaches of football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, swimming, track and field, and tennis sponsor and participate in seasonal sports clinics for local community children in University facilities and throughout Harlem and Washington Heights.

Housing Legal Assistance

For the period from January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2030, Columbia University provides funding for two attorneys at a legal assistance provider acceptable to NYCHPD serving the Manhattanville area, to provide anti-eviction/anti-harassment legal assistance for residents of the Manhattanville area. Funding will not exceed $4 million through December 31, 2030.

Contact Legal Services NYC directly and ask a representative if you are eligible for the benefit described above. Phone: (212) 348-7449; Fax: (212) 348-4093. Legal Services NYC can also be found online: www.legalservicesnyc.org.

Shuttle Bus Service for the Elderly and Disabled

Columbia University provides a shuttle bus service free of charge to members of the local community who are disabled or who are senior citizens (including their attendants) via the ADA-accessible Inter-campus Shuttle. The shuttle bus service complies with ADA specifications to connect the Project Site to subway stations at:

- 96th Street and Broadway
- 116th Street and Broadway (Morningside campus)
- 125th Street and Broadway
- Harlem Hospital Center (135th Street and Lenox Avenue)
- Columbia University Medical Center (168th Street and Broadway)

The shuttle bus service runs on a regular schedule throughout the day on every weekday, except on state and federal public holidays.

Undergraduate Scholarships for Aid-Eligible Students From the Local Community

Columbia University has established the Thompson-Muñoz Scholarship Fund to serve up to 40 aid-eligible undergraduate students per year who are admitted to Columbia College and/or the Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science, with funding made available to meet their fully demonstrated financial need. Eligible students must undergo Columbia's undergraduate admissions process. For more information, contact Columbia's Office of Undergraduate Admissions at (212) 854-2522.

The 2017 Community Scholars applications was distributed electronically to the following officials and organizations below. In many instances, follow-up calls were conducted as a follow-up measure.

<u>Elected Officials</u>
Rep. Jerrold Nadler (District 10)
Rep. Adriano Espaillat (District 13)
State Senator Marisol Alcantara
Assembly Member Daniel J. O'Donnell (District 69)
Assembly Member Inez Dickens
Assembly Member Herman D. Farrell Jr. (District 71)
Assembly Member Carmen De La Rosa (District 72)
Mayor Bill de Blasio
Public Advocate Letitia James
Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer
City Council Member Mark Levine
City Council Member Bill Perkins (District 9)
City Council Member Ydanis Rodriguez (District 10)

Community Boards Chairs and Dist. Managers for:
Community Board 9
Community Board 10
Community Board 11
Community Board 12
Community Board 7

Civic and Tenant Organizations
125th Street Business Improvement District (BID)
Citizens Against Recidivism
College and Community Fellowship
The Correctional association of New York
The Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce
The Schomburg Center for Black Culture
Neighboring Tenant Associations
3333 Broadway Tenant Association
Manhattanville Houses Tenant Association
Morningside Gardens Tenant Association
Ulysses D. Grant Houses Tenant Association

Columbia Community Scholars Program Application

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Please attach the following:

- ☐ 1-2 page narrative describing your educational and/or professional background;

- ☐ 1-2 page description of the project you propose to pursue, your anticipated end goal/outcomes and the University resources you would like to access in order to achieve these outcomes (i.e. courses to audit, library, etc.). Please include a brief statement on how your project might be of benefit to the larger community;

- ☐ Résumé, or Curriculum Vitae;

- ☐ High School Transcript, equivalent, or equivalent experience (please explain), and transcripts from any college or university work;

- ☐ 2 letters of reference (may be from a current or former employer, community leader, teacher, professor, colleague, or eminent person in your field of study);

- ☐ Other supporting materials you would like to have considered as a part of your application: work sample, writing samples of up to 2 pages, audio or videotape. **Please note that these materials will not be returned.**

Please submit all materials in one package postmarked no later than April 27, 2017 to:

Community Scholars Program
Office of Government & Community Affairs
Columbia University
309 Low Library
535 West 116th Street
New York, NY 10027

Please note:

- This program does not lead to course credit, a degree or certification.
- All instruction in classes is conducted in English unless otherwise noted in course descriptions.
- Admission to Community Scholars program is conditional upon proof of northern Borough of Manhattan residency.
- Although terms are stated as 3 years, individual scholars may opt to complete the program in less time; continued enrollment depends upon continued compliance with all program requirements and University regulations.

The New York State Empire State Development Corporation may require Columbia University to submit each applicant's name, address and proof of residency to confirm program eligibility.

Signature:_____   Print name:_____

Date:_____

Please direct inquiries about the Community Scholars Program to:
(212) 854-5710 or communityaffairs@columbia.edu

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Columbia Community Scholars Program

Now accepting applications and nominations through April 27, 2017

Program Information

The Community Scholars Program at Columbia University is designed to offer independent, community-based scholars from Northern Manhattan access to a suite of Columbia University services and resources that allow them to work toward the completion of a particular project or to attain skill in a particular area.

The program, part of Columbia University's community benefits and services related to the Manhattanville Campus Expansion, resulted from discussions with the West Harlem community.

Objective: The Columbia Community Scholars Program was developed to enable independent scholars to pursue their lifelong learning aspirations, whether it be completing an independent project or attaining skills in a particular area. The program allows Scholars a formal opportunity to access University resources and participate in the intellectual life of the University through interaction with faculty, students, and other visiting scholars. Participation in the Columbia Community Scholars Program is not intended to enable a Scholar to enter into a degree program; no course credit, certificate or diploma is awarded upon completion.

Program Duration: 3 years

Community Scholars are expected to work toward the completion of a proposed project or to attain a skill in a particular area during their 3-year tenure. The scope of each Scholar's project is delineated at the beginning of the program. Over the course of the three years, Community Scholars will have the opportunity to share their progress with members of the University and neighboring community.

The first two cohorts of independent scholars were selected through a competitive application process. Candidates who are selected from the current field of applicants will be welcomed to campus in the fall of 2016

Current Columbia Community Scholars: (from left to right): Mariama Keita, John Reddick, Sheila Anderson, Martha Diaz, Steven A. Watkins, Paula Kimper, Eric K. Washington. Not pictured: Vivian Nixon and Adarsh Alphons. *Photo credit: Barbara Alper*

Columbia Community Scholars Program Application

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

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Daytime Phone: (____)_____   Evening Phone: (____)_____

Cell Phone: (____)_____   Email: _____

The Community Scholars Program offers independent, community-based scholars from Northern Manhattan access to a suite of Columbia University services and resources in order to work toward the completion of a particular project or to attain skill in a particular area. The program originated as one of the benefits and amenities to be provided to the local community as part of Columbia's Manhattanville Campus Expansion. The program allows successful applicants a formal opportunity to participate in the intellectual life of the university, providing opportunities for interaction with faculty, students, and other visiting scholars. It also helps foster and deepen ties between the University and the many independent members of the cultural and intellectual community surrounding it.

The services include access to all the university's libraries (including on-line access), course auditing privileges (in departments offering auditable courses), interaction with scholars in their field of study, and the ability to participate in seminars and social events. A Scholar may wish to avail him or herself of all or some of the services offered; he or she may begin the program simply wishing to access the libraries, and later into the program opt to audit one or two classes. The program's coordinator will assist each scholar to access resources and determine his or her needs, as well as alerting them to relevant opportunities on campus as they arise.

Eligibility:
- You must be a Borough of Manhattan resident living north of 96th Street;
- You cannot have a current affiliation with Columbia University;
- You must have a High School Diploma, GED or equivalent.

Scholars will be appointed for terms of three years, and will be selected by a committee that may include Columbia senior staff, deans and faculty, and may also include leaders from local cultural institutions. At the end of each Scholar's appointment, the tangible outcome of his or her term at the University will be submitted to remain accessible for future Community Scholars and others to review.

Columbia Community Scholars Program

2017 Finalists

April G. Tyler

Co-Chair, Housing, Land Use and Zoning Committee, Community Board 9: Conducting a comprehensive survey of shareholders in the nearly 200 Housing Development Fund Corporations (HDFCs) in Community Board 9. The project will include the development of a database of buildings, developing a means to share best practices of strongly running HDFCs, and creating recommendations for struggling HDFCs.

Nancy Dorsinville

Senior Policy Advisor, UN Office of the Secretary General's Special Adviser on Community-Based Medicine & Lessons from Haiti: Contributing to a "new narrative" amplifying the voices of Haitian-Americans, including highlighting enduring contributions from Haitian culture to the Harlem Renaissance, the Civil Rights Movement, and Black Identity.

Keisha Sutton-James

Corporate Vice President, Inner City Broadcasting Corporation: Developing a biography and documentary of Harlem legend Percy Ellis Sutton based on oral history resources (project includes interviewing at least forty individuals) and available archives.

Michele Y. Washington

Design research + service experience design consultant: Curation and production of the Curious Stories podcast series featuring a cross selection of interviews with architects, urban designers, product designers, designers, interaction designers, experience designers, plus designers in areas such as computation design, and makers of color that are designing products.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
Office of Government and Community Affairs

Community Scholars FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions

⌄ Who may apply to this program?

- You must be a Borough of Manhattan resident living north of 96th Street
- You cannot have a current affiliation with Columbia University
- You must have a High School Diploma, GED, or equivalent.

⌄ Will participation in the Columbia Community Scholars Program lead to degree program matriculation?

The Columbia Community Scholars Program was developed to assist Scholars in their completion of an independent project or to help them attain skills in a specific area of interest. Participation in the Columbia Community Scholars Program is not intended to enable a Scholar to enter into a degree program; no course credit, certificate or diploma will be awarded upon completion.

⌄ What is the cost, if any, for the Columbia Community Scholars Program?

There are no costs associated with participation in the Columbia Community Scholars Program. However should a Scholar opt to audit courses, course fees, lab fees, or book costs may apply.

⌄ To whom should letters of recommendations be addressed?

Letters of recommendation should be addressed and mailed to:

Columbia Community Scholars Program

Office of Government & Community Affairs

Columbia University

309 Low Library

535 West 116th Street

New York, NY 10027

❤ Are "official" transcripts required or will "unofficial" transcripts suffice for the application?

Unofficial transcripts can be submitted with the program application; however selected applicants will be required to submit official transcripts to participate in the program.

❤ I am a Columbia University alum; does that deem me ineligible to participate in the program?

Only current affiliation with the University renders an applicant ineligible. Columbia alumni who do not have a present affiliation with the University are able to apply.

❤ Is this a new program?

The program was originated as part of Columbia University's community benefits and services related to the Manhattanville Campus Expansion and resulted from discussions with the West Harlem community. The first cohort of five independent Scholars was selected from a competitive field of applicants during the spring of 2013. These Scholars began the program in the fall 2013.

❤ How many Scholars will be selected?

Five Scholars were selected in 2013. Up to five new Scholars will be selected to begin the program in the fall of 2014 and a new cohort of Scholars will be selected on an annual basis.

❤ What is the deadline to apply to the program?

April 27, 2017.

❤ When will I hear about the status of my application?

Applicants will be contacted of program decisions in early-to-mid summer.

❯ When does the program start?

New Scholars will begin the program at the start of the fall semester.

❯ What is the duration of the program?

Columbia Community Scholars are enrolled for a period of up to three years.

❯ If I applied last year but was not selected, may I apply again?

Yes! You may apply another time. You will need to submit a new application in order to be considered.

❯ Is there an age limit for applicants?

No. Adults meeting the program eligibility may apply to the program regardless of age.

❯ Do I need to be an American citizen in order to apply?

No. As long as you are a legal resident of the United States, you may apply.

❯ What University resources are Scholars able to access?

Individuals selected as Columbia Community Scholars:

- Are issued a Columbia University ID
- Will be given a Columbia University email account
- Gain access to all The Columbia University Libraries ☑ (including on-line access)
- Have course auditing privileges (in departments offering auditable courses). The courses available to auditors are typically posted one month prior to the start of the term. To view the courses open to auditors, please go to the Directory of Classes ☑ , Columbia's online course bulletin. You can search for auditing courses by clicking "A" in the "Course Listings by Department" box and scrolling down to where the Auditing Department is listed.
- Have opportunities for dialogue with distinguished faculty members in their field of study.
- May participate in seminars and social events.

Quick Links

Government Relations
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Community Scholars

Contact GCA

Address:
Office of Government & Community Affairs
Columbia University
309 Low Library
535 West 116th Street
New York, NY 10027

Phone:
(212) 854-5915

Email:
communityaffairs@columbia.edu