Declaration Reference and Key Data
Obligation Section Number: 5.07 (e)(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 Columbia Neighbors Webpage at https://neighbors.columbia.edu/content/community-commitments.
EOC Checklist for Obligation 5.07(c)(xvi):

Please check to verify EOC items submitted for review.

☐ 1. Annual report

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Annual Report: Community Scholars Program

Number of Applications Received: 26
Number of Scholars Selected: 5

Note: Community Scholars Program has been renamed the A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars Program

Impact due to COVID-19:
All current Scholars (the 5th, 6th, and 7th cohorts) have been offered a one-year program extension. Scholars have been able to continue auditing classes virtually, and have access to the library's expanded online offerings. There was also a virtual luncheon to which all past and current scholars were invited to provide them an opportunity to connect with each other. Virtual events will continue to be offered to Scholars through the fall semester and going forward, as necessary.

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Columbia Community Scholars Program

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 VIII
- Columbia Community Scholars Program: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
Information about the A’Leila Bundles Community Scholars program, including application and instructions on how to apply was distributed electronically and/or physically to the following officials and organizations below. In many instances, follow-up calls were conducted.

**Note:** Because the program was not renamed until June, promotional materials from February-May of 2020 refer to the Columbia Community Scholars program.

**Elected Officials**
- Rep. Jerrold Nadler (District 10)
- Rep. Adriano Espaillat (District 13)
- State Senator Robert Jackson
- Assembly Member Daniel J. O’Donnell (District 69)
- Assembly Member Al Taylor (District 71)
- Assembly Member Carmen De La Rosa (District 72)
- Mayor Bill de Blasio
- 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
- Morningside Area Alliance
Email Marketing
Email campaigns were developed and sent to our list of over 3000 individuals, most of whom are community leaders in Upper Manhattan. The following emails were sent and are attached.

04/30/2020: Community Scholars Application Extension Email
3052 Successful Deliveries, 2510 Total Opens and 386 Click-throughs

Neighbors E-News
The Bundles Scholars application and information session were announced in and included in several editions of the Neighbors E-News, which goes to more than 2000 individuals, many of whom are community leaders in Upper Manhattan. The following emails were sent and are attached.

05/06/2020: Neighbors E-News, May 2020
3062 Successful Deliveries, 1553 Total Opens

04/15/2020: Neighbors E-News, Mid-April 2020
2858 Successful Deliveries, 1327 Total Opens

04/02/2020: Neighbors E-News, April 2020
2679 Successful Deliveries, 958 Total Opens

03/18/2020: Neighbors E-News, Mid-March 2020
2560 Successful Deliveries, 794 Total Opens

03/04/2020: Neighbors E-News, March 2020
2566 Successful Deliveries, 1025 Total Opens

02/19/2020: Neighbors E-News, Mid-February 2020
2559 Successful Deliveries, 1237 Total Opens
Social Media

This year, with our expanded social media accounts (@NeighborsHub), we boosted awareness of the program through a series of tweets, Facebook posts, and Instagram posts, including targeted ad buys on all three sites. A sample of our postings are attached and below is a synopsis of our social media outreach efforts.

**Tweets**
Impressions: 14,580
Engagements: 231

**Facebook Posts**
People Reached: 5,541
Engagements: 422

**Instagram**
Reach: 8,006
Print

We included the Bundles Scholars program in the Community Benefits section of The Columbia Neighbors Newsletter - which is distributed directly to over 18000 individuals in Upper Manhattan. An additional 4000+ copies are distributed at numerous events throughout the year and sent to the following locations:

125th Street Business Improvement District  COSMOS RET
3333 Broadway Tenant Association  Countee Cullen Library
Abyssinian Baptist Church  Dance Theater of Harlem
Abyssinian Towers  Dances for a Variable Population
Adults and Children in Trust  Dodge Fitness Center
America SCORES  Dominican Sunday
ARC XVI A. Philip Randolph Senior Center  Dorothy Day Apartments
Arts & Minds, Inc.  Double Discovery Center
Barnard College  Dwyer Cultural Center
Behind the Book  Figure Skating in Harlem, Inc.
Bloomingdale School of Music  Freedom and Citizenship
Boys & Girls Club of Harlem  Friends of the Children, New York
Broadway Community, Inc.  Ginjan Café
Broadway Mall Association  Grant Houses
Broadway Presbyterian Nursery School  Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce
Canaan Neighborhood Senior Center  Hamilton Grange Neighborhood Senior Center
Cathedral Community Cares  Harlem Academy
Center for Community Health Navigation  Harlem Arts Alliance
Central Harlem Senior Citizens Center  Harlem Business Alliance
Centro Civico  Harlem Center for Education
Columbia Bookstore  Harlem Community Development Corporation
Columbia Community Partnership for Health  Harlem Educational Activities Fund, Inc.
Columbia University Center For Justice  Harlem Park to Park
Columbia University Earth Institute  Harlem School of the Arts
Columbia University Employment Information Center  HYPOTHEKids
Columbia University Summer Research Program for Science Teachers  Institute for Research in African-American Studies
Center  Interchurch Center
Columbia University Tutoring and Learning Center  International House
Columbia-Harlem SBDC  Jackie Robinson Senior Center
Community Board 10  Jerome L. Greene Science Center
Community Board 11  Jewish Theological Seminary
Community Board 12  Joe Coffee @ Science Building
Community Board 7  Legal Aid Society - Harlem Office
Community Board 9  Lenfest Center For The Arts
Community DentCare Network  Manhattan School of Music
Community Impact  Manhattanville Houses
Corpus Christi School  Manhattanville Housing Senior Center
Miller Theatre
Morningside Retirement and Health Services
Mount Morris Park Alliance
National Black Theater Inc.
New York City Mayor's Community Affairs Unit
New York Common Pantry
Office of Assemblymember Al Taylor
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Jumaane Williams
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Office of Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand
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Office of Undergraduate Admissions
Pa’lante Harlem
Pellettieri Stone Carvers’ Academy
Plowshares Coffee Harlem
Purple Circle Daycare Center
Q Clinic
Riverside Church
Riverside Language Program
Riverside Park Conservancy
Roone Arledge Auditorium
Schomburg Center For Research in Black Culture
SNACK*
SoHarlem
St. Mary’s Episcopal
StreetSquash
Studebaker
Studio Museum
Sugar Hill Children’s Museum of Art & Storytelling
Teachers College Community School
Teachers College: Office of School and Community Partnerships
Teachers College: Office of Student Affairs
The Children’s Learning Center at Morningside Heights
The Columbia Secondary School for Math, Science and Engineering
The East Harlem Chamber of Commerce
The Family Annex
The Forum
The Harlem Honeys & Bears Swim Team
The New York Urban League
The Reading Team
The Red Balloon Daycare Center
The School at Columbia
The Tamer Center for Social Enterprise
Triple F Empowerment
UBA Manhattanville Housing
Union Theological Seminary
Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone Development Corporation
Uptown Inner City League
Uris Hall Cafe
Visitors Center
WE ACT
Wendy Hilliard Gymnastics Foundation
West Harlem Development Corporation
West Side Campaign Against Hunger
Williamson Park Association
Wilson Major Morris Community Center
Workforce 1 Center
Neighbors Bulletin

The Bundles Scholars program application period and info session were mentioned in The Columbia Neighbors bulletin, which is a single-page update on news and events at Columbia and in the community that is produced in both English and Spanish. The bulletin is distributed through the Neighbors E-News as downloadables PDF and a version with both languages is handed out at in-person meetings by Community Affairs staffers.

The March, April, and May 2020 bulletins are attached.
New Deadline: Apply by May 15th!

The Community Scholars Program at Columbia University offers independent scholars from Upper Manhattan access to a suite of Columbia's services and resources to help them work toward the completion of a particular project or attain skill in a specific area. The program helps to foster and deepen ties between the University and the many independent members of the cultural and intellectual community in the surrounding neighborhood.

Scholars Receive

- Columbia University email account
- Columbia University ID
- Access to all Columbia University Libraries (including online)
- Course auditing privileges
- Access to University seminars and social events
- Opportunities for dialogue with scholars in their field of study
- Membership in a community of fellow independent scholars

Eligibility Requirements

- You must be a Borough of Manhattan resident living north of 96th Street
- You cannot have a current affiliation with Columbia University (alumni are eligible)
- You must have a high school diploma, GED/TASC or explanation of equivalent experience

Up to five scholars are selected annually. Learn about application requirements and get answers to frequently asked questions.
Apply Now

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NEWS

Community Scholars Program Now Accepting Applications

Columbia's Community Scholars Program gives independent scholars from Northern Manhattan access to University services and resources that allow them to work toward the completion of a project or help them attain a specific skill. During the three-year program scholars can use a wide range of University programs to advance and enrich their work. This year's application deadline is May 1st!

Learn More
Local High School Students Connect to the Classics

Summer 2020 applications are now available for the Freedom & Citizenship program, which gives local students the chance to learn from Columbia professors. A free program for rising juniors, it also provides an introduction to on-campus living and college application support.

'USA Today' and Community Scholar Discuss Dyslexia

Columbia Community Scholar Debbie Meyer and her son Isaac were featured in a USA Today story that focused on the barriers faced by those struggling with reading, compared Meyer's experience to other families, and looked at policies that undermine those with dyslexia.

EVENTS

Lenfest Kids H2O presents 'Lu Over the Wall' - Feb 22

Bring your kids to a Japanese animated film that explores how fear can lead to conflict and prejudice, and how these can be overcome by friendship and family.

Ciencia al Anochecer en Español - 27 de Feb

La serie de charlas Ciencia en Español hará una presentación completamente en español con un científico de Colombia, seguida por un recorrido por el laboratorio.

Archiving & Preserving Hip Hop - Feb 28 & 29

Join Community Scholar Martha Diaz for a two-day forum on documenting hip-hop history. Meet leaders who are shaping the field and developing innovative techniques.
Tribute to Harlem Renaissance Composers - Feb 29
Celebrate the centennial of the Harlem Renaissance with the Harlem Opera Theater's tribute to its composers, including William Grant Still and Duke Ellington.

10th Annual Beyond the Bars Conference - March 5-8
The Center for Justice brings together activists, students, educators, and community members for a free conference on challenging our relationship to incarceration.

2020 Columbia Youth Climate Summit - March 6
At this day-long summit, high school students will learn how to take action on climate change in workshops that demonstrate ways to engage. Free lunch will be provided.

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NEWS

Columbia Students Save Four Lives With Naloxone

The life-saving training available through on campus overdose prevention programs is also available to community members. Since 2018, more than 2,500 people have been trained to recognize the signs of an emergency and intervene

Read More

Keep Your Kids on Track with Summer Programs

Summer is just around the corner and Columbia has a wide range of programs for kids and teens. A number of great programs are also available from local community organizations with the support of Columbia Community Service.

Learn More

EVENTS
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Register

Wallach Sketching and Storytelling - March 7

There’s something for the whole family at the Wallach Gallery! This Saturday, figure sketching for adults begins at 12:30 followed by storytelling for kids at 2:30.

Event Details

EPIC/SPS Talk: Iranian Hostage Crisis - March 11

Barry Rosen, who was held hostage at the U.S. embassy in Iran, will discuss his experience with Prof. Jo Shepherd. A Q&A session follows.

RSVP

The Global Women Changemakers Summit - Mar 12-13

A night of dialogue about transnational solidarity reflecting on politics, activism, and gender justice, as well as current challenges and opportunities for solidarity, movement building, and social change.

Learn More

Saturday Science: Tools of the Trade - March 14

Families are invited to explore how the brain works through play, hands-on activities, and unique resources. Bring your curiosity and learn about the tools and tech that scientists use to study the brain.

Register

BioBus: A Closer Look at the Brain - March 18

Learn how animals use their brains and what we can learn from them about our own brains at this free afternoon of hands-on neuroscience as part of Brain Awareness Week, which runs March 14-25.

Register
Community Scholars Information Session - March 19

Interested in becoming a Community Scholar? Learn more about the program and get your questions about the application process answered! Applications are due May 1st, 2020.

RSVP

Harlem Chamber Players & Opus 118 Concert - March 21

Hear the highly acclaimed students from Opus 118 Harlem School of Music perform Bach, Pachelbel, and Mozart with the Harlem Chamber Players.

RSVP

NYC Youth Civics Fair - April 4

NYC high school students from across the city are invited to an opportunity to discover how to get involved in youth-led and established advocacy organizations, community agencies and government entities.

Get Involved

Columbia University Career Expo - April 2

Columbia University invites you to expand your job prospects at the 2020 Career EXPO. Network with staff from the University's schools and departments, get training on the Columbia employment application system, attend free job skills workshops, get free headshots, and more. Registration is recommended.

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Get COVID-19 Updates

Some Good News
Poised to Practice: Dyckman Institute Scholar Makes Her Way in Medicine

Washington Heights resident Aury García, who is studying to be a doctor at Columbia, is featured in the *Manhattan Times*.

Learn More

Instagram Spotlight: Sandye Johnson and #ColumbiaNeighbors

#ColumbiaNeighbors is a new @NeighborsHub photo series that highlights our neighbors. Our first feature is Harlem native Sandye Johnson.

Check It Out

Academy of Community and Public Service Inducts First VP&S Class

Launch of the Academy formally recognizes the contributions that faculty at Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons have made to improve community health.

Read More

Harlem Entrepenuer Jane Deegan Wins Food Network's Chopped Sweets

Four pastry artists were challenged to create an imaginative twist on the most popular cookies—one local Harlem baker was declared victor.

Read More

Events

Community Scholars Information Session: March 19, 6:00PM

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- **Resources for Small Businesses** (Including new loans and grant programs)
- **What's Open In Morningside Heights and Manhattanville?**
- **Tele-Schooling for the K-12 Set** (Free website with 70 courses by Columbia Faculty)
- **New University COVID-19 Website**
- **Actors from Contagion join forces with Columbia to Create Homemade PSAs**
- **Columbia University Provides Rent Waiver to Qualified Tenants**

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**Events**
Community Scholars Application
Deadline — May 1
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Apply Now

Summer COSMOS-NewLAW RET
Deadline — May 1
The NSF COSMOS-NewLAW Research Experience for Teachers (RET) is an intense summer program for teachers. Teachers Apply Now

Blood Donations Needed Amid Critical Shortages
To combat the blood shortage due to canceled drives, the New York Blood Center is extending open hours at their donor centers. Make an Appointment

News

Stay Calm and Make a Routine
Veteran war and disaster correspondent Judith Matloff shares her tips for surviving the new normal during the virus outbreak. Read More

Meeting K-12 Student Needs
Columbia Neighbors hosted Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer and experts to discuss resources and best practices for remote learning. Watch on YouTube

Community Scholar Martha Diaz Partners with the Universal Hip Hop Museum
The Universal Hip Hop Museum has partnered with Community Scholar Martha Diaz, who is now chair of the museum’s Education department. Read More

Columbia University Is Read Ahead’s Largest Partner in NYC
More than 200 Columbia students, faculty, and staff mentors are volunteering at local schools PS 36 and PS 125. Read More

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- [Economic Support for Small Businesses in Upper Manhattan](#)
- [Virtual Town Hall: Small Business Relief During COVID-19](#)
- [The Bubble at Columbia’s Baker Athletics Complex Becomes a Field Hospital](#)
- [How You Can Help](#)
- [CovidWatcher App from Columbia University Tracks Coronavirus Hot Spots in NYC](#)

Columbia's GCA Gives $25K to Local Groups Addressing Food Insecurity

To support those most severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in Upper Manhattan, Columbia University’s Office of Government and Community Affairs donated $25,000 to community groups addressing urgent food insecurity. [Read More](#)

Events
Community Scholars Application Deadline — May 1
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Apply Now

Summer COSMOS-NewLaw RET Deadline — May 1
The NSF COSMOS-NewLaw Research Experience for Teachers is accepting applications.
Teachers Apply Now

WE ACT Earth Day Virtual 5K — April 18-26
During the week of Earth Day, registered participants will be able to run or walk the Earth Day 5K at a time and place of their choosing. Register

BioBus Virtual Student Town Hall — April 16
Every Thursday at 4pm, BioBus will host two scientists to discuss a topic of your choosing and answer your questions!
Learn More

Virtual March for Science — April 19
Interested in the intersection of science and policy? Want to get involved with local science advocacy? Join March for Science NYC online! Get Involved

Earth Institute Live: The Sound of What’s Shaking — April 20
Join the Earth Institute for this interactive session where students will explore seismology, the study of earthquakes. For grades 5-9.
Join In

National Dance Institute Launches ndiLIVE!
National Dance Institute has launched ndiLIVE!, a platform of joyful and participatory FREE online dance classes. Get Dancing

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- Mayor de Blasio Announces Immigrant Emergency Relief Program and Plans to Distribute 7.5M Face Coverings
- Washington Heights SeniorLink Connects Older Adults
- Free Bike Rentals for Health Care Workers
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The Columbia-Harlem Small Business Development Center offers resources and guidance to Harlem’s small businesses during the COVID-19 crisis. Read More

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Outreach at Columbia Engineering will hold its summer programs for teachers and students online this year. Learn More

The Doctor Is In: Meet Aury García
A Washington Heights resident and Columbia Medical student who is graduating this month, Aury García grew up dreaming of attending Columbia. Read More

Columbia Community Service Grantees Provide Community Support
Harlem Grown, a youth development organization, is getting healthy meals to local shelters. SoHarlem’s artisans are making masks and gowns for NYC hospital workers. New York Common Pantry is using mobile meals to reach food insecure individuals. Learn more about CCS and their work.

Events
Community Scholars Application
Deadline: May 15

Interested in becoming a Community Scholar? Applications for the program are due May 15, 2020. Apply Here

Town Hall: Contact Tracing and Technology: May 12

Join Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer and Rep. Jerrold Nadler for a virtual town hall on contact tracing, the role technology and data, and privacy. Get the Stream

Webcast: Higher Ed, the Economy and COVID-19: May 7

Columbia World Projects will host a livestreamed public conversation between Wally Adeyemo and Professor Glenn Hubbard. Register

BioBus Student Town Hall: COVID-19 and Immunity: May 7

Every Thursday at 4pm, BioBus hosts a panel of scientists who will discuss a topic of your choice. This week’s Town Hall theme is COVID-19 and Immunity! Submit a Question

Earth Institute Live: Every Monday & Wednesday

Science education from Earth Institute scientists! Themed 1-hour sessions, targeted at different age groups. Learn More

The Neighbors E-News is a resource for our neighbors in Upper Manhattan that provides updates from the University and beyond. If this email was forwarded to you, consider joining our mailing list. Submissions can be made via this form, other inquiries can be made by emailing neighbors@columbia.edu.

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May 5
COMMUNITY COMMUNITY SCHOLARS

A community benefit, the Columbia Community Scholars program offers independent scholars from Upper Manhattan access to University resources for three years to work on a project or acquire a skill. Community Scholars are issued a University ID and email address, can audit courses, access the libraries, and more.

The Community Scholars Program is open to Manhattan residents living north of 96th Street who have a high school diploma or an explanation of equivalent experience and no current affiliation with Columbia. Applications to join the next cohort of scholars are due May 1.

Learn more at gca.columbia.edu/communityscholars.

COMMUNITY NALOXONE TRAINING SAVES LIVES

Columbia's School of Nursing began providing naloxone training to students in 2018, and the effort has rapidly expanded to include staff and community members of Upper Manhattan. Sonalee Rau, a student at Mailman School of Public Health, is one of four Columbia students that have been able to administer naloxone, reverse opioid overdoses, and save lives. Recently, she used the naloxone kit to help revive a man who overdosed in East Harlem. Since most opioid deaths are accidental, and there's one approximately every six hours in New York City, providing bystanders with naloxone, an opioid antagonist, and the training to administer it, is vital to public health.

Since January 2018, Columbia has distributed naloxone kits and provided training to more than 2,500 students, faculty, staff, and community members on how to recognize an overdose and provide treatment. Currently, the hour-long trainings are offered monthly and starting this year they will also be offered in public schools in Washington Heights.

Learn more and request naloxone training at health.columbia.edu or by contacting Kellie Bryant at 212-305-2982.

Saturday Science: Tools of the Trade
Mar 14 1PM
The Zuckerman Institute invites families to learn about the tools and technologies scientists use to study the brain.
neighbors.columbia.edu/SS314

BioBus: A Closer Look at the Brain
Mar 18 3PM
Learn how animals use their brains and what we can learn from them at this free afternoon of hands-on neuroscience.
neighbors.columbia.edu/BB318

Community Scholars Info Session
Mar 19 6PM
Learn more about the Community Scholars Program and get your questions about the application process answered!
neighbors.columbia.edu/scholarsinfo

The Harlem Chamber Players and Opus 118 Concert
Mar 21 4PM
Hear the students from Opus 118 Harlem School of Music perform Bach, Mozart, and more with the Harlem Chamber Players.
neighbors.columbia.edu/chamber321

Columbia University Career Expo
Apr 2 9AM
Expand your job prospects with networking, training on the CU job application system, free workshops, and more. Registration recommended.
neighbors.columbia.edu/careerexpo20

NYC Youth Civics Fair
Apr 4 1PM
High school students from NYC can learn how to get involved with advocacy organizations, community agencies and government entities.
neighbors.columbia.edu/youthcivics
ACADÉMICOS COMUNITARIOS DE COLUMBIA

Como beneficio para la comunidad, el programa de académicos comunitarios de Columbia ofrece a académicos independientes de Upper Manhattan acceso a recursos universitarios por tres años para trabajar en un proyecto o adquirir una destreza. Los académicos comunitarios reciben una tarjeta de identificación y correo electrónico de la Universidad pueden asistir a cursos como oyentes, acceder a las bibliotecas, y más. El programa de académicos comunitarios está abierto para residentes de Manhattan que vivan al norte de la calle 96 y que tengan un diploma de secundaria o una explicación de experiencia equivalente y que no tengan afiliación actual con Columbia. Las solicitudes para unirse a la siguiente cohorte de académicos deben entregarse antes del 1 de mayo.

FORMACIÓN COMUNITARIA DE NALOXONA SALVA VIDAS

En 2018, la escuela de enfermería de Columbia empezó a enseñar estudiantes como utilizar naloxona, y el esfuerzo se ha ampliado rápidamente, incluyendo personal y miembros de la comunidad de Upper Manhattan. Sonalee Rau, una alumna en la Escuela Mailman de Salud Pública, es una de nuestros aprendices que ha podido administrar naloxona, revertir sobredosis de opioides y salvar vidas. Ella recientemente utilizó el kit de naloxona para ayudar a revivir a un hombre que tuvo una sobredosis en East Harlem. Como la mayoría de las muertes por opioides son accidentales, y aproximadamente ocurre una cada seis horas en la ciudad de Nueva York, ofrecerles naloxona, un antagonista de los opioides, a los transeúntes, además del entrenamiento para administrarla, es algo vital para la salud pública. Desde enero de 2018, Columbia ha distribuido kits de naloxona y ha dado entrenamiento a más de 2500 alumnos, docentes, personal y miembros de la comunidad para reconocer una sobredosis y ofrecer tratamiento. Actualmente, los entrenamientos, de una hora de duración, se ofrecen mensualmente, y, a partir de este año, también se ofrecerán en escuelas públicas en Washington Heights. Solicite más información y entrenamiento sobre naloxona en health.columbia.edu o comunicándose con Kellie Bryant al 212-305-2982.

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Más información en línea en gca.columbia.edu/communityscholars.
Community Updates

NEIGHBORS COVID-19 NEWS & RESOURCES SITE
The coronavirus pandemic has led to significant changes to programming and operations at Columbia, as well as in the daily life and functioning of our Upper Manhattan community. Columbia Neighbors has developed a site to help our local community keep up with changes, local news, resources, expert guidance, and more. The page, which is updated regularly, provides our neighbors with useful and timely information so they can stay up to date with the rapidly changing situation in New York City and Upper Manhattan.

A connected page is dedicated to resources for local small businesses, including information about Columbia’s rent relief for tenants. There is also information from the Columbia-Harlem Small Business Development Center, the 125th Street BID, the NYC Small Business Services, and more about how local businesses can get access to the city and federal resources available.

There are also other resources, including learn-at-home tips for kids, virtual K-12 classes organized by Columbia faculty, updates on changes to Columbia public programs, and more. Check out the Columbia Neighbors coronavirus site at neighbors.columbia.edu/coronavirus.

COLUMBIA COMMUNITY SCHOLARS
The Columbia Community Scholars program is still accepting applications. The program offers independent scholars from Upper Manhattan access to University resources for three years to work on a project or acquire a skill. The program is a community benefit that emerged from the agreements surrounding Columbia’s Manhattanville Campus expansion.

Columbia Community Scholars are issued a University ID and email address, gain access to the campus and online libraries, can audit classes, and more.

Applications to join the next cohort of scholars are due online on May 1. More information is available at gca.columbia.edu/communityscholars.

Community Events

DISCLAIMER
Many events have been canceled, rescheduled or changed to be held virtually! Check in with event organizers for the latest updates, and be prepared for more virtual gatherings over the next few months.

COSMOS RET Summer Program Deadline: May 1
COSMOS-NewLAW Research Experiences for Teachers is a professional development opportunity for middle and high school teachers in NYC. neighbors.columbia.edu/cosmos2020

Community Scholars Applications Due: May 1
Independent scholars from Upper Manhattan can get access to Columbia resources for three years to complete a project. Up to five selected annually. neighbors.columbia.edu/scholarsapp

Give Blood to Address Critical Shortage ASAP
Blood drive cancellations have led to a critical shortage in NYC. Healthy people can set up appointments at the New York Blood Center now! neighbors.columbia.edu/giveblood

Columbia Screening COVID-19 Survivors for Antibodies NOW!
Columbia University is seeking recovered COVID-19 patients to donate antibody-rich plasma that can be used to treat the virus, or potentially create a vaccine. neighbors.columbia.edu/donateplasma

Meeting K-12 Student Needs Online Now
Columbia Neighbors hosted MBP Gale Brewer and experts to discuss resources and best practices for remote learning. Available to watch on YouTube. neighbors.columbia.edu/K12townhall
Noticias Comunitarias

SITIO DE NOTICIAS Y RECURSOS SOBRE EL COVID-19 PARA VECINOS

La pandemia de coronavirus provocó cambios significativos en la programación y las operaciones en Columbia, y en la vida y el funcionamiento diario de nuestra comunidad del Alto Manhattan. Vecinos de Columbia han desarrollado un sitio para ayudar a la comunidad local a mantenerse al día con los cambios, noticias locales, recursos, guía de expertos y más. La página se actualiza regularmente y brinda información útil y oportuna a los vecinos para estar al día con la súbitamente cambiante situación de la ciudad de Nueva York y el Alto Manhattan.

Una página destacada está dedicada a recursos para las pequeñas empresas locales e información sobre el alivio de la renta para inquilinos de Columbia. También hay información del Centro de Desarrollo de Pequeñas Empresas de Columbia-Harlem, el BID en la calle 125, los Servicios para Pequeñas Empresas de NYC, y cómo las empresas locales pueden acceder a los recursos federales y municipales disponibles.


ACADÉMICOS COMUNITARIOS DE COLUMBIA

El programa Columbia Community Scholars está aceptando inscripciones. El programa ofrece a los estudiantes independientes del Alto Manhattan acceso a recursos de la Universidad durante tres años para trabajar en un proyecto o adquirir una habilidad. El programa es un beneficio para la comunidad que surgió de los acuerdos sobre la expansión del Campus Manhattanville de Columbia. Los académicos comunitarios recibirán una identificación de la universidad y una dirección de correo electrónico, acceso al campus y las bibliotecas en línea, presenciar clases y más.

La fecha límite para las solicitudes para participar en el próximo grupo de estudiantes es el 1 de mayo.

Más información disponible en gca.columbia.edu/communityscholars.
ENGINEERING OUTREACH PROGRAMS GO ONLINE

Outreach at Columbia Engineering is moving its public programs online, including the Summer High School Academic Program for Engineers (SHAPE), Engineering the Next Generation (E.N.G.), and the COSMOS-NewLAW Research Experience for Teachers Program (RET). The new details of these programs are still being finalized.

SHAPE is a selective program that offers college-level instruction in engineering to high school students. E.N.G. provides lab work and more to underrepresented high school students from local schools. RET is a summer program where teachers learn about the most advanced techniques in wireless technology. Learn about these programs and more at outreach.engineering.columbia.edu.

COLUMBIA-HARLEM SBDC A LIFELINE FOR BUSINESSES

The Columbia-Harlem Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Columbia Business School has been supporting Harlem businesses throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Support has primarily taken the form of helping small businesses secure loans and develop plans in order to keep their doors open. This is especially valuable in a community where many business owners are from historically disenfranchised backgrounds.

Due to closures and decreases in revenue, the SBDC has seen a sharp increase in their number of clients, from around 30 clients per advisor to almost 100. They have created guidelines for how to apply for each type of loan, comparisons between funds, and calculators to help business owners understand how much they could be awarded.

“The sense of unknown and the feeling of unfolding doom shifted for us in a way that would not have been possible without the outreach of the Columbia-Harlem SBDC,” says Yael Alkalay, CEO and Founder of Red Flower, a spa-products company in Harlem that received loan funding with guidance. “They offered a ray of hope.”

For more information about applying for financial assistance or to get support from the Columbia-Harlem SBDC, visit gsb.columbia.edu/sbdc.
Noticias Comunitarias

COLUMBIA-HARLEM SBDC UN SALVAVIDAS PARA LAS EMPRESAS

El Centro para el Desarrollo de Pequeñas Empresas de Columbia-Harlem (SBDC) en la Escuela de Negocios Columbia ha estado apoyando a las empresas de Harlem durante toda la pandemia del COVID-19. El apoyo se ha materializado principalmente en ayudar a las pequeñas empresas a obtener préstamos seguros y desarrollar planes para mantener sus puertas abiertas. Esto es especialmente valioso en una comunidad en la que muchos propietarios de negocios proceden de entornos históricamente desfavorecidos.

Debido a los cierres y la disminución de los ingresos, el SBDC ha experimentado un fuerte aumento en su número de clientes, desde alrededor de 30 clientes por asesor a casi 100. Han creado pautas sobre cómo solicitar cada tipo de préstamo, comparaciones entre fondos y calculadoras para ayudar a los propietarios de negocios a comprender cuánto podrían recibir.

“La sensación de desconocimiento y el sentimiento de aparición de la fatalidad cambiaron para nosotros de una manera que no hubiera sido posible sin el alcance de Columbia-Harlem SBDC”, dice Yael Alkalay, CEO y Fundador de Red Flower, una empresa de productos para spa en Harlem, que recibió financiación de préstamos con orientación. “Ofrecieron un rayo de esperanza”.

Para obtener más información sobre cómo solicitar ayuda financiera o para obtener apoyo del SBDC de Columbia-Harlem, visite gsb.columbia.edu/sbdc.

LOS PROGRAMAS DE INGENIERÍA OUTREACH SE TRASLADAN A LA RED

Outreach de Columbia Engineering está trasladando sus programas públicos en línea, incluido el Programa Académico de Verano para Ingenieros de la Escuela Secundaria (SHAPE), Engineering the Next Generation (E.N.G.) y el Programa COSMOS-NewLAW Research Experience for Teachers (RET). Los nuevos detalles de estos programas aún se están ultimando.

SHAPE es un programa selectivo que ofrece instrucción de nivel universitario en ingeniería para estudiantes de secundaria. E.N.G. proporciona trabajo de laboratorio y mucho más a estudiantes de secundaria con poca representación de las escuelas locales. RET es un programa de verano donde los docentes aprenden sobre las técnicas más avanzadas en tecnología inalámbrica. Aprenda sobre estos programas y más en outreach.engineering.columbia.edu.
A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars Application Information

The application period for the 8th cohort of A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars has ended. Applications are not currently being accepted.

Eligibility:

1. You must be a Borough of Manhattan resident living north of 96th Street
2. You cannot have a current affiliation with Columbia University
3. You must have a high school diploma, GED/TASC, or explanation of equivalent experience

Application Content and Format

✈ Formatting and Content Guidelines

Please follow the following guidelines when submitting your application.

- 11 or 12 point font
- Normal margins (top 1”; bottom 1”; left 1”; right 1”)
- Numbered – bottom of page

Applications submitted must include the information noted below and be submitted in order.

✈ Section 1: Personal Narrative

1-2 pages describing your educational and/or professional background.

✈ Section 2: Project Description
1-2 pages describing the project you propose to pursue. Please include:

- Your anticipated goals and outcomes
- University resources you would like to access (i.e. courses to audit, library, etc.)
- A brief statement on how your project might be of benefit or interest to the larger community

**Section 3: Documentation**

Please provide the following information to verify your eligibility and support your application.

- Résumé, or Curriculum Vitae
- Copy of your High School transcript, GED/TASC, OR explanation of equivalent experience. **(Required if no college transcript is submitted)**
- Copy of transcripts from any college or university work, if applicable. **(If you are submitting a transcript from an accredited university, you may omit your high school transcript)**

*Note: If accepted into the program, official transcripts and proof of residency will be required.*

**Section 4: Letters of Recommendation**

Provide 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). These can be submitted with your application or separately. If the letters will be submitted separately, please make a note of that on your application.

Letters can be submitted with your application or emailed to mb4157@columbia.edu. Please reference the A’Lelia Bundles Community Scholars Program and the name of the applicant in your email subject line.

**Section 5: Supplemental Information (Optional)**

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. **Materials cannot be returned.**

If you have supplemental materials that cannot be submitted digitally, please reach out to Maggie Barrows.

**How to Apply**

Applications are not currently open for the A’Lelia Bundles Community Scholars Program at Columbia University.

https://gca.columbia.edu/programs-and-initiatives/community-scholars/application-information
Online (Preferred)
Please submit all documents via this form.

Hand Delivery
UPDATE: As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, hand or mail delivery of A’Leila Bundles Community Scholars applications is not currently available. If you cannot submit your application online, please reach out to Maggie Barrows.

Compile your application into one package and drop off to our offices between the hours of 10:00AM and 4:00PM. If you hand deliver your application, please sign and complete the cover page and include it as the first page of your application.

Materials cannot be returned.

A’Leila Bundles Community Scholars Program
Office of Government & Community Affairs
Columbia University
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New York, NY 10027

Other Considerations

- 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 A’Leila Bundles 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.

Please direct inquiries about the A’Leila Bundles Community Scholars Program to (212) 854-2568 or communityaffairs@columbia.edu.

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Phone:
212-854-2568

Email:
communityaffairs@columbia.edu
Community Scholars Application

Please review application information prior to submission. If you have any questions about your application, contact Maggie Barrows.

This webform is closed. Only submission administrators are allowed to access this webform and create new submissions.

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *

Phone Number *

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New York

Postal Code *

Brief Project Description *

Application Upload *

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Include your personal narrative, project description, all required documentation, and supplementary materials as outlined on the Application Information page.

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Comments

☐ By checking this box, I certify that all the information in this application is true, I have reviewed the application information page, and all application materials belong to me. I understand that the New York State Empire State Development Corporation may require Columbia University to submit the names, addresses, and residency certifications of applicants to confirm program eligibility. *

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Cohort VIII: Scholars and Projects

Andolyn Brown: Developing the Well Educator nonprofit organization to focus on educator wellness as key leverage points in developing long lasting, meaningful and joyful careers for educators of color.

Deidre Flowers: Conducting research and gathering oral histories for a book on Mildred Louise Johnson and the Modern School, which she founded in 1934, which served families and students in the Harlem community for sixty-five years.

Richard Jackson: Engaging in a behavioural study of attitude, disposition and actions during the quarantine and global pandemic and exploring what audio made people happy or depressed, and what frequencies attracted them.

Dennis Morgan: Developing the Harlem CoLab to focus on bringing real-world digital design experiences and training to underserved communities.

Yhane Smith: Researching and producing the audio drama Harlem Queen, based on the life of Madame Stephanie St. Clair, “Numbers Queen” and patron of the Harlem Renaissance.
A'Leelia Bundles 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/TASC, or explanation of equivalent experience

🔍 Will participation in the A'Leelia Bundles Community Scholars Program lead to degree program matriculation?

The A'Leelia Bundles 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 A'Leelia Bundles 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 A'Leelia Bundles Community Scholars Program?

There are no costs associated with participation in the A'Leelia Bundles Community Scholars Program. However, should a Scholar opt to audit courses, course fees, lab fees, or book costs may apply. To help offset this, Scholars receive a $500 stipend annually for each of the three years they are in the program (a total of $1500 per Scholar).
To whom should letters of recommendations be addressed?

Letters of recommendation should be addressed to the A'Leila Bundles Community Scholars Program. They can be submitted with your application or emailed to mb4157@columbia.edu. Please reference the A'Leila Bundles Community Scholars Program and the name of the applicant in your email subject line.

We are not currently accepting letters of recommendation by mail.

Are “official” transcripts required or will “unofficial” transcripts suffice for the application?

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

How do I find my high school transcript?

If your high school is still open, they are most likely to have it. If not, reach out to the state Department of Education, or an equivalent agency that oversees education in the region where you attended high school. If you have a degree from an accredited university, a transcript from that can usually fulfill this requirement.

If you did not graduate from high school, and did not receive a high school equivalency certificate (GED/TASC/etc), you can submit an explanation of your equivalent experience. For more information, contact Maggie Barrows (212-854-2568).

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. The Scholars starting in the fall of 2020 will be the 8th cohort.

♥ How many Scholars will be selected?
Up to five new Scholars are selected for every year's class.

♥ What is the deadline to apply to the program?
The application deadline for the 8th Cohort of A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars was May 15, 2020. The A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars Program is not currently accepting applications.

♥ When will I hear about the status of my application?
Applicants will be informed of program decisions by the end of July.

♥ When does the program start?
New Scholars will begin the program at the start of the fall semester, which is typically immediately after Labor Day.

♥ What is the duration of the program?
A'Lelia Bundles 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 A'Leila Bundles Community Scholars:

- Are issued a Columbia University ID
- Will be given a Columbia University email account
- Gain access to all [The Columbia University Libraries](https://library.columbia.edu) (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](https://www.columbia.edu/course), 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

A'Leila Bundles Community Scholars Quick Links


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