

APPLICATION SPRING 2020
THE CUNY SCHOOL OF LABOR AND URBAN STUDIES (SLU)
LEAP TO TEACHER (LTT)

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 5, 2019

SUBMISSIONS ACCEPTED BY EMAIL ONLY TO: [SCHOLARSHIPS@SLU.CUNY.EDU](mailto:scholarships@slu.cuny.edu)

The CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies is offering tuition assistance scholarships for the **SPRING 2020** semester to fulltime paraprofessionals who are both continuing and new graduate students in a teacher shortage area at the LEAP to Teacher collaborating CUNY colleges: Brooklyn College, College of Staten Island, Lehman College, and Queens College. Scholarships will be awarded on a semester-by-semester basis by the SLU Scholarships Committee. Employment status, transcripts and financial aid information will be reviewed, and enrollment will be verified to ensure that recipients continue to meet scholarship eligibility requirements. Students must re-apply each semester to be considered for a scholarship for the next term, if the scholarship is available.

LTT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

At the time of application, students must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be a full-time Paraprofessional / Teaching Assistant at NYC Department of Education. You must also be a full-time Paraprofessional / Teaching Assistant during the semester in which you receive the scholarship award. **Verification of Employment is required from the NYC Department of Education Human Resources.**
- ✓ Be either a new or a continuing graduate student in a teacher shortage area at the LEAP to Teacher collaborating CUNY colleges; Brooklyn College, College of Staten Island, Lehman College, and Queens College. **Proof of admission and a copy of undergraduate transcripts for newly admitted students are required.**
- ✓ Applicants must file a 2019-2020 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and **submission of the 'Student Aid Report' (SAR) with the SLU LTT scholarship application is required.**
- ✓ Applicants must write a 2-3 paragraph essay that discusses financial hardship and a desire to pursue their education goals.
- ✓ Meet Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 or better. Outstanding INC grades should be resolved prior to application submission. Students with outstanding Incomplete (INC) grades at the time of application submission will be denied.
- ✓ Have no past-due semester balances or Bursar Holds.
- ✓ Be willing to participate in post-award questionnaires and interviews.

Applicants must use outside grants, scholarships or employer benefits first. SLU TAS will pay any remaining balance under \$1000.00. Awardees may not receive a refund of the SLU LTT. If the applicant's tuition bill is paid in full by an outside grant, scholarship or employer benefit, they will no longer meet the 'Financial Need' requirement as outlined by SLU LTT and all monies will be returned to the fund. To be considered for this benefit in a subsequent semester, the student must reapply.

1. FAFSA 'STUDENT AID REPORT'

If you have not already done so, fill out the 2019-2020 [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#). If you have questions while completing the FAFSA form, you may contact the FAFSA help line at 800/433-3243. After you submit your FAFSA form, you will get a Student Aid Report (SAR) that summarizes the information you provided on your application. **YOU MUST SUBMIT THE SAR WITH THIS APPLICATION.** For more information about the SAR, please visit: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/next-steps/student-aid-report> . When completing the FAFSA, the schools code are:

College	School Code	College	School Code
Brooklyn College	002687	Lehman College	007022
College of Staten Island (CSI)	002698	Queens College	002690

2. COMPLETE FORM

APPLYING AS A NEWLY ADMITTED STUDENT

APPLYING AS A CONTINUING STUDENT

Last Name				First Name			
Middle Initial							
Address							
City			State			Zip	
Phone #							
Student Email							
Personal Email							
College of Attendance				EMPLID			
Degree Program				Graduation Date	Anticipated:		
# Credits Presently Enrolled SP20			FAFSA Filed Date				
Cumulative GPA	<i>If applying as a new student, indicate your BA cumulative GPA.</i>						
List other federal/state grants, scholarships, or sponsor benefits	Federal/state grants, scholarship, or sponsor benefit			\$\$ Amount			

3. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL NEED

Please attach a 2-3 paragraph essay that explains how you will benefit from the SLU LTT Tuition Assistant Scholarship.

Here are some points that you should consider including:

- a) How are you currently financing your education? You might want to mention employment status and type, help from family, and taking out student loans or private loans. Specify any steps you have already taken to secure initial funding for tuition and any other costs of your education.
- b) What difficulties have you faced in paying for your education? Do you have extra costs this year you weren't expecting? Has there been a change in your family or personal situation that is making it harder for you to pay for your tuition? You can point out changes in family income, unanticipated expenses, current financial deficits, etc.
- c) What would you gain from this scholarship?

4. SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- Download the SPRING 2020 CUNY LTT Application.
- Fill it out Section 2 completely. Save.
- **(1) SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION ALONG WITH: (2) VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT, (3) VERIFICATION OF ADMISSION & UNDERGRADUATE TRANSCRIPTS (FOR NEWLY ADMITTED STUDENTS ONLY), (4) STUDENT AID REPORT (SAR) & (5) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL NEED.**
- If you have any specific circumstances, you can submit other documents to support that

APPLICATION DEADLINES ARE LISTED BELOW. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DENIED.

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All applications will be acknowledged and confirmed to be complete upon submission. If you do not receive a confirmation email that your complete application has been received **WITHIN 48 HOURS AFTER SUBMISSION**, please notify the SLU Scholarship Office at 212-642-2083. Applicants will be notified of decisions via e-mail to their CUNY College email address.

Questions related to the SLU LTT Tuition Assistance Scholarship should be directed to your LTT site coordinators. You can find their contact information on [SLU's LEAP to Teacher](#) website. You can also send email to LTT@slu.cuny.edu.

DECLARATION

By submitting this application, I give the SLU Scholarship Committee permission to assess my financial need and render a decision based on the material I provided. I agree to clarify and/or provide additional information if required by the Scholarship Committee. I understand that the decision is final and requests to dispute, reconsider or otherwise reevaluate my application will be denied. This includes any testimony, supporting documents or transcripts that were not furnished by the posted submission deadline. I hereby certify that the information provided on this form and in the attached file is truthful and that I am the person whose details have been provided.