

C-STEP Project L.A.W.
(Leadership. Achievement. Work.)
Information Session

CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies



About Us



The CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies...

- Is the newest CUNY School, founded in 2018
- Focuses on social justice through urban and labor studies
- Dedicates itself to the mission of educational access, diversity at every level, and equality for all

The Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program...

- Abbreviates to CSTEP!
- Is funded by New York State grants to colleges and universities
- Focuses on increasing access to STEM and professional education for minority and underserved students



What is Project LAW?

CSTEP Project L.A.W. is a gateway program for minority and underserved students to enter law school.

It includes:

- 10-week **fully online** learning experience
- Expert faculty instruction on labor law through a social justice lens
- Test preparation for the LSAT
- Law School application workshops
- Customized weekly instruction in legal writing

Are you Eligible for Project LAW? (1)

All applicants must:

1. Be New York State residents for at least 12 months
2. Demonstrate an interest in labor law and social justice

They must also be:

- African-American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian, or Alaskan Native

OR

- Economically disadvantaged per the [New York State Education Department income criteria](#)

Are you Eligible for Project LAW? (2)

In addition, applicants must have current or previous enrollment in an undergraduate or graduate college program as follows:

Undergraduate Students

- Class Standing: 60 to 120 earned credits
- GPA: 3.0

Graduate Students

- Class Standing: max earned graduate credits is less than 12
- GPA: 3.0

Program Benefits!

Upon successful completion of the Project LAW program, students will receive:

- **A Credly[®] digital badge** that can be linked to your social media accounts, graduate applications, & more!
- **A monetary stipend or technology assistance** (upon completion of the program and required documentation)

Note: Program activities are subject to changes due to available funding

Successful Completion?

Successful Completion of the program is defined as:

- No more than **two (2)** absences throughout the duration of the 10-week program
- No more than **two (2)** missed CSTEP Project L.A.W. assignments throughout the duration of the 10-week program
- Active engagement and participation with professors, fellow participants, and guest speakers

Note: Professors have the ultimate discretion on what is deemed “successful completion” of the CSTEP Project LAW program and will consider situations on a case-by-case basis

Project LAW Courses

CSTEP Law Course (1.5 hr)

- Analyze real labor court cases to learn key legal concepts

LSAT Preparation (1.5 hr)

- Get familiar with the LSAT format and key test-taking skills

3 Hours per Week

8 Weeks of Instruction

2 Weeks of Guest Speakers



**STUDENTS APPLY
BEFORE THE SEMESTER
DEADLINE**



**APPLICATIONS ARE
REVIEWED BY
COMMITTEE**



**CANDIDATES ARE
NOTIFIED AND GIVEN
AN OPPORTUNITY TO
REGISTER**

See our Website for the Application Deadline

How Does It Work?

Weekly or Bi-Weekly

- **Project LAW** courses (in Summer 2023) run either 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM on Wednesdays or 11:00 AM to 12:30 AM on Thursdays
- **LSAT Prep** courses (in Summer 2023) run either 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM on Fridays or 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM on Thursdays

Students can choose to attend a 3-hour course once a week, or a 1.5-hour course twice a week, dependent on their schedule.

Supplemental Writing Instruction will be available on Mondays and Tuesdays



Project LAW is 100% Free

Please consider your ability to commit to completing this program before registering.

Students who register and then drop out are taking a spot that could have gone to another committed student.

Contact Us

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