

Labor Leaders Partnership Student Fact Sheet

Summary

The CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies, in partnership with District Council 37's Education Fund, offers academic programs for DC37 members interested in expanding their knowledge of the labor movement, labor relations, and unionism. Under SLU's Labor Leaders Partnership, the **DC37 Education Fund covers the cost of tuition and non-instructional fees for one graduate course (up to 3 credits) or one undergraduate course (up to 4 credits) per semester. The fund will cover a maximum of four courses over four semesters (one course per semester) in eligible academic programs:**

- Certificate in Labor Relations
- Advanced Certificate in Labor Relations
- BA in Labor Studies
- BA in Urban Studies – Labor Track **ONLY**
- MA in Labor Studies

Getting Started

Step 1. Apply for LLP through the DC37 Education Fund

If you are a DC37 member interested in the Labor Leadership Program (LLP), your first step is to apply directly through the DC37 Education Fund. This determines your initial eligibility for program sponsorship and tuition coverage.

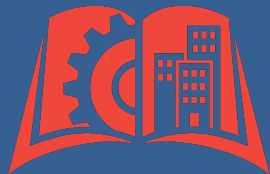
Step 2. Attend a Joint SLU/DC37 Orientation

Once your application is received, you will be invited to attend a joint orientation session hosted by SLU and DC37. This session is held tentatively February – April for Fall applicants and in September – November for Spring applicants. Please check https://www.dc37.net/benefits/education/CUNY_SLU/ for the most current dates.

Attendance at this orientation is required—only members who attend are eligible to participate in the LLP.

Step 3. Apply to SLU

After attending the orientation, eligible DC37 members will be invited to [apply for admission to SLU](#). You'll complete the regular SLU admissions process. An application fee is required, and your application must be fully completed and submitted by SLU's official deadline for the semester you plan to attend.



Admissions Process for LLP Participants

Step 1. Wait for Your Admission Decision

Once your application is submitted, it will be reviewed by CUNY and SLU, and in some cases by faculty for program-specific requirements. Please allow at least 4 – 6 weeks for a decision.

Step 2. Accept Your Offer of Admission

If you are admitted, confirm your decision to enroll at SLU. You will then receive information about next steps for registration and advising.

Step 3. Complete a FERPA Release Form

After accepting your offer, you must **complete a FERPA Release Form** that allows SLU to share your academic and billing details with the DC37 Education Fund. The FERPA will be embedded in your acceptance communication.

Eligibility Review

After admission, SLU will confirm that you are **still eligible** with the DC37 Education Fund for the upcoming semester of enrollment. Once eligibility is confirmed, you will be added to the “**DCLP**” Student Group in CUNYfirst. This tells the SLU Bursar that DC37 will cover your tuition for that semester. You can confirm your status with the **SLU LLP Coordinator: Derrick Pace**, Enrollment Specialist (646)313-8334 Derrick.Pace@slu.cuny.edu

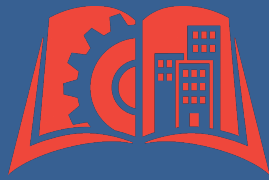
If you are found ineligible, you will **not** be added to the DCLP Student Group. Ineligible students may still attend SLU; however, **DC37 will not cover the cost of their courses**. Please note that students are responsible for all or part of their tuition if they drop courses on or after the first official day of the semester. **Keep this in mind** when planning your enrollment and confirming your eligibility for the LLP program.

Enrollment and Course Guidance

Your **Academic Advisor** will help you register for the right courses needed to make progress in your program. During registration, your advisor may review the details of the LLP program with you. It is strongly recommended that you also consult with the **LLP Coordinator**.

Remember: Upon **completing four courses covered by the LLP within an eligible program**—and after successfully completing the full program—you may continue into **another** eligible program under the LLP. Before you do, you should consult with your [LLP Coordinator](#) and **must reapply through the DC37 Education Fund for the new program**. **Be sure to attend the required joint SLU/DC37 orientation**. We recommend using the Labor Leaders Student Tracker to log your courses and coverage each semester.

After completing four courses in an eligible program, you can continue on in another eligible program under LLP.



If you lose eligibility or take a break from the program, your academic advisor can help guide you on next steps and refer you to the LLP Coordinator. To become eligible again, you must reapply through the DC37 Education Fund, attend the joint orientation, and complete the required screening process.

Tuition Coverage and Billing Information

The DC37 Education Fund covers one course (and related fees) in eligible programs per semester. We recommend using the Labor Leadership Student Tracker to log your courses and coverage each semester.

Remember, if you choose to take more than one course, you are responsible for paying the tuition and fees for any additional classes.

Provisional tuition credits from the DC37 Education Fund should begin appearing on your SLU billing statement about 10 days before the start of the semester.

If the semester has started and you do not see a statement credit, or you receive a past-due notice, late fee, or account hold, please contact [Bursar Operations](#) and your [LLP Coordinator](#) right away. This could mean your name was not yet added to the DCLP Student Group due to processing delays or other factors. Acting quickly helps prevent account issues.

Questions about tuition costs, anticipated coverage, or remaining balances should be directed to Bursar Operations.



Labor Leaders Partnership Student Tracker

Use this sheet to record your tuition coverage for courses in eligible LLP programs.

Name: _____

EMPL ID: _____

Program	Semester	Course	Covered?
<u>Certificate in Labor Relations</u> (Undergraduate: up to 4-credits)			
<u>Advanced Certificate in Labor Relations</u> (Graduate: up to 3-credits)			
<u>BA in Labor Studies</u> (Undergraduate: up to 4-credits)			
<u>BA in Urban Studies (Labor Track ONLY)</u> (Undergraduate: up to 4-credits)			
<u>MA in Labor Studies</u> (Graduate: up to 3-credits)			

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