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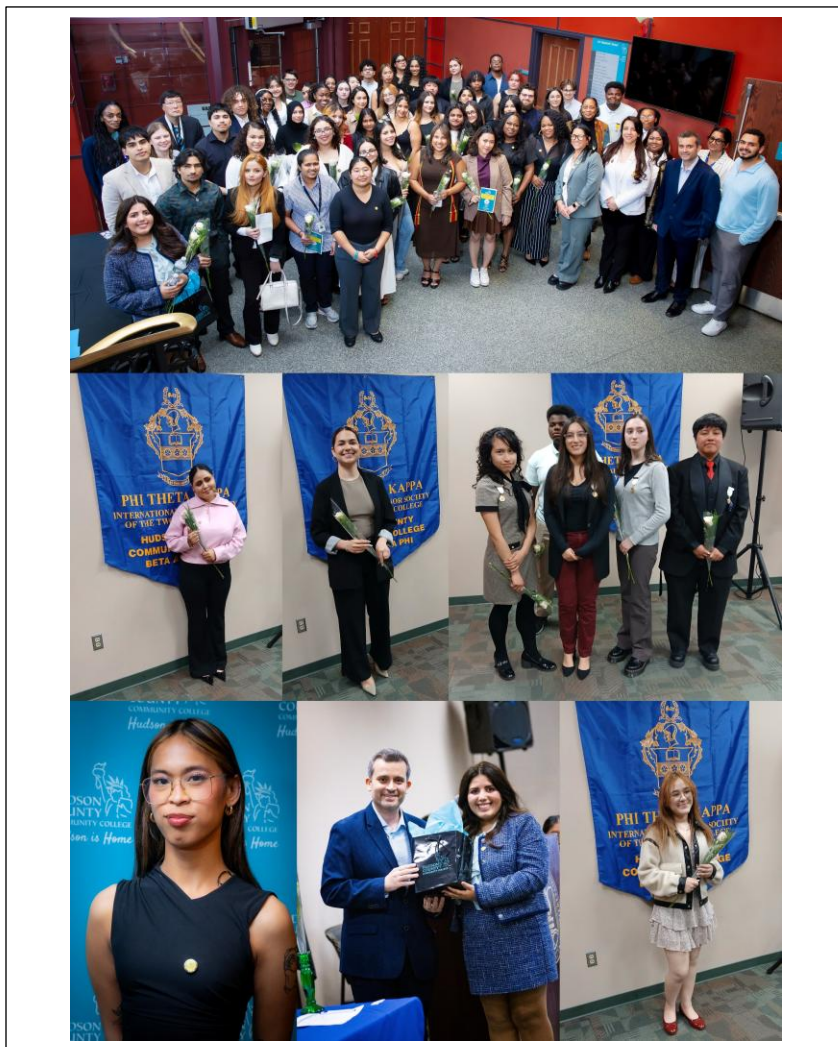
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Beta Alpha Phi

Of Hudson County Community College
Jersey City, New Jersey

Spring Induction, May 1



Dr. Heather Devries, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Assessment, Kailyn Pereya, Human Resources Specialist and Past Beta Alpha Phi Officer, and Heather Clippinger, Clark State College Alpha Nu Lambda Chapter alumna and Alpha of Ohio

Alumni Association Communication Coordinator were the guest speakers. Five 2026-2027 Chapter Officers were installed: Peter Kongtcheu, Michelle Palacios, Stephanie Cardenas, Camila Sanchez, and Ethan Barragan Navarrete.

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Get Involved & Get Connected

Through these pages you will find scholarship information, volunteer opportunities, and general Phi Theta Kappa news. So get connected and get involved.

GET CONNECTED at www.ptk.org. You will be afforded a variety of services so check it out!



**Welcome to
 Beta Alpha Phi**
Amanda Ayerdis
Ayesha Baig
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Melaney Castellanos
Mia De La Cruz
Jourdan French
Emily Garcia
Freya Jogani
Faith Lyons
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Membership Packet

Have you received

your membership
packet?



Within a few weeks after the submission of your membership application, Phi Theta Kappa sends you a packet with your membership certificate, tassel, pin, and publications. If you have not received your packet, please inform Professor Lai.

T-shirts

One shirt is
with your

included



membership.

Please contact Professor Lai.

**Beta Alpha Phi Alumni
Association**

When you complete your studies at Hudson County Community College, you will become a member of the Beta Alpha Phi Alumni Association. To become involved, please contact Tiana Malcolm at tmalcolm5519@live.hccc.edu

Phi Theta Kappa Store

ptk.org/shop

Chapter's Webste

<https://www.hccc.edu/student-success/studentlife-leadership/ptk.html>

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Phi Theta Kappa Fall Scholarships

Deadline: December 1

<https://www.ptk.org/scholarships/apply-now/>

**Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate
Transfer Scholarship**

Application period
August 19-December 9

www.jkcf.org



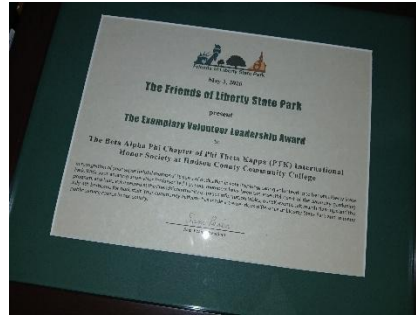
Bayonne Nature Club

Harbor View, April 25

On April 25, Kaitlyn Rea volunteered in the cleanup near Lidl on Goldsborough Drive. She is holding the home depot bucket. Check the Bayonne Nature Club Facebook page for information on the May cleanup. The Club has a cleanup each month.



The Friends of Liberty State Park recognized the chapter for its years of volunteering in the park and at related events for the park.



Alumnae Qian Xie and Ana Estefany Polanco and Professor Lai represented the chapter. Ana's daughter, who has volunteered with her mother since she was four years old, and retired English Professor Elaine Foster also attended. Alumnus Calvin Palmer, a past chapter officer, was also at the luncheon.



Qian Xie, Ana Estefany Polanco, and Elaine Foster



Induction/Graduation Ceremony
May 8





Comencement, May 18



Valedictorian Marlon Pena Crespo



Liberty State Park

Samara Bashore volunteered in the gardening program on May 23. Register to volunteer in the Saturday gardening program before Friday at www.jerseycares.org. The location to meet to gardener will be e-mailed to the volunteers on Friday.





Graduate BBQ, May 14



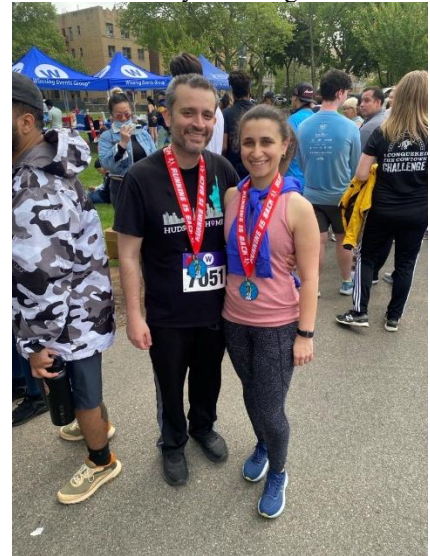
Asian American Dragon & Lion Dance Association of Wayne NJ

The Professional Association and NJEA's Families and Schools Together Work for Children (FAST) program, and College Life Committee sponsored the Lion Dance and Drumming Workshop at Culinary Arts Park on May 5 to celebrate Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Ethan Barragan Navarrete and Dante DeGregoda helped to prepare for the event. Desiree Page participated in the dance by offering a red envelope to the lion. Sonny Tungala was also present.



Running is Back 5K

On May 9, Professor Manjikian and his wife Beata participated in the Running is Back 5K at Lincoln Park. The event was hosted by Winning Events Group with whom the chapter has volunteered at many events over the years. It used to be named City Challenge.



Congratulations to Marlon Pena Crespo for being named a Cooke Scholar. His scholarship will be up to \$55,000 per year up to three years. He will be attending Columbia University.



Dr. Reber informed Marlon that he was selected for the scholarship on May 7.

The Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship application will be available on August 19.



PTKEDGE™

Congratulations to these members who completed an Edge in May



Michelle Palacios
Camila Sanchez



Yamileh Flores
Michelle Palacios
Noel Samonte



Aaron Araza
Artem Ustsov



Alexa Mauer
Michelle Palacios



Michelle Palacios completed all six Edges

Leadership Development Studies

Kiara Reynoso completed Leadership Development Studies

Complete at least one Edge and get an honor cord to wear with your cap and gown at Commencement.

www.ptk.org/ptk-edge

.Graduating in Spring/Summer 2026?

See Professor Lai for the PTK stole, Edge pin, honor cord, or tassel. Since 2021, the tassel was mailed with the membership certificate and pin. The honor cord will be given to members who complete at least one Edge of PTK Edge. Pins will also be given for completion of Edges.

<https://www.ptk.org/benefits/professional-development/courses/>



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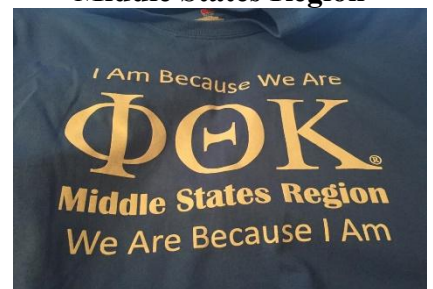


These members completed Edges and received honor cords. Stoles and cords will be distributed to the December graduates in the fall semester.



Once again, Beta Alpha Phi is a Five-Star Chapter, 2026

Middle States Region





Middle States social media



CONNECT WITH US

Follow the Middle States Region and the Middle States Region Alumni Association for important information and reminders.

Facebook: Middle States Region and MSRAA
Instagram: Middle States Region and MSRAA
MSRAA Email: middlestatesptkalumni@gmail.com



2025 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Open to Undergraduate and Graduate Students

The New Jersey Chapter of the Society of Women Environmental Professionals ("NJSWEP") is pleased to announce the continuation of the NJSWEP Scholarship Program in 2025. The purpose of the Scholarship Program is to encourage women to pursue careers in an environmental field, to mentor undergraduate and graduate students who are majoring in environmental and related subjects, and to provide students with opportunities to connect with NJSWEP members for future internships and careers in the environmental industry.

A scholarship applicant must be an individual identifying as a woman and be either an undergraduate or graduate student attending an accredited New Jersey College or University. The undergraduate student must be entering their junior or senior year in the Fall of 2025 or will complete 60 credit hours as of September 2025. The graduate student must either start or continue their graduate studies related to the environment, such as science, policy, or law, in the Fall of 2025. A declared major in a field related to the environment is required.

Each scholarship award will be \$3,500 and includes free membership in NJSWEP for the duration of 2025. Scholarship money will be awarded to two graduate students and two undergraduate students.

Applications must be received by April 11, 2025. The NJSWEP Scholarship Committee will be announcing the scholarship award recipients in May 2025 and will present the awards at the NJSWEP 17th Annual Gala (date to be determined). Immediate family members of NJSWEP Board of Directors or NJSWEP Scholarship Selection Committee are not eligible to apply.

For questions or additional information contact Emily Bausher, Scholarship Chair, at ebausher@njswep.org (please include "NJSWEP Scholarship" and your full name in the subject line of the email).

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

The application form can be accessed here: <https://forms.gle/Mar3ShmimWUkZv9>

If you have any issues submitting an application via the form above, please contact Emily Bausher, Scholarship Chair, at the email listed above. Please note that your progress through the application form cannot be saved, so we recommend completing the applicable application fields in a separate document

Environmental Professionals (NJSWEP) Scholarship Program

Awards of \$3,500 each will be given to two undergraduates and two graduate students.

<https://www.njswep.org/njswep-scholarship-program>

Check next spring



PTK Edge is a free self-paced online professional development program.

<https://www.ptk.org/benefits/professional-development-courses/>

Set Yourself Apart

Competitive Edge is a self-paced professional development course that teaches students essential workplace skills. Students will learn how to think critically, advocate for themselves,

communicate effectively, operate as part of a team, and conduct themselves professionally in the workplace.

Get the Job

Employment Edge is a self-paced professional development course with a primary focus of preparing participants to successfully enter the workforce. It provides coaching on the actions participants need to take to achieve employment success.

Transfer to a University

Transfer Edge is a self-paced, interactive online course to prepare students of all backgrounds to successfully transfer from a two-year college to a four-year college.

Build Research Skills

Research Edge is a self-paced, interactive curriculum that teaches students the basics of academic research. The course also prepares students and advisors to begin work on Honors in Action projects.

Healthcare Edge is a self-paced professional development course that prepares students for a successful transition from their specific academic healthcare program to employment in the healthcare field

Advocacy Edge is an interactive, self-paced course designed to guide participants as they learn how to support a cause or policy. It teaches students the importance of being informed, how to collaborate, skills needed to communicate effectively, and tips for avoiding burnout.

Community College
Innovation Challenge
Advancing Student Innovation & Impact

<https://beta.nsf.gov/news/nsf-aacc-announce-2022-community-college-innovation-challenge-winners>

The Community College Innovation Challenge is led by the American Association of Community Colleges in partnership with the

National Science Foundation. It is a national competition where community college student teams, working with a faculty or administrator mentor, use science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to innovate solutions to real-world problems; participate in an Innovation Boot Camp; and compete for cash awards.

Check the website for the opening in January 2026. In 2023 and 2024, Dr. Clive Li worked with students on the projects that received awards. He also guided a team in 2025.

From the Phi Theta Kappa Reach Blog

Applying for scholarships? Phi Theta Kappa's experts offer six practical tips for making your application the best it can be.

Four things you'll need for the application.

1. Know the Purpose. Scholarship purposes are like shoes. Many styles exist, but the fit is dependent upon the person. Knowing the purpose is powerful in finding the right-fit scholarship. Fun fact: to find out what PTK scholarships you're eligible for, take our Eligibility Quiz at scholarships.ptk.org.

2. Update Regularly. You'll miss 100 percent of the scholarship opportunities shots that you don't take by not updating your application. Login to PTK's Scholarship App at least once a semester to update or complete your app. Keep your application updated and relevant.

3. Meet the Requirements. Be honest on the eligibility quiz. Sounds so simple, right? Tricking the system to force an application open causes you to waste time if you aren't really eligible.

4. Apply Early. Get started working on your app as early as possible to provide ample time to finesse content before the deadline. Essays are usually the most heavily weighted item on an application. It's worth your effort to invest the most time on this portion of your application.

5. Get Personal. In it to win it? Let's get real — the more candid you are with telling your story and how it has



motivated you in your personal and academic pursuits, the greater chance you'll have of your app resonating with a judge. Increase the odds of scoring well by telling your story well.

6. Proofing Party. Different strokes for different folks. Having multiple sets of eyes on your application can help strengthen entries, spot grammatical errors, and create cohesive content. Host a proofing party to inspire peer reviewing.

Scholarship Tips To Help You Get That Bag

by *Caroline Sabsoul*, Communications Coordinator at Phi Theta Kappa.

My first experience with the PTK Scholarship application was in the Spring of 2018. My advisor had a session to go over the application, how to complete the eligibility quiz, important questions to highlight, etc. As an international student, it was a breath of fresh air knowing we could apply for scholarships, as we are rarely eligible for those, so I was eager to submit my application. However, like any other student to ever live, things got in the way, I procrastinated a whole lot, submitted my app at the last minute and, once I wasn't selected for any scholarships, got really frustrated. I knew, deep down, that I hadn't done my best to create an application that truly reflected my accomplishments. By then I was serving in leadership positions at my chapter, doing volunteering work, basically all the tools you need to make your application shine. Fast forward to 2019. After I graduated from my community college, the scholarship team reached out asking if I wanted to be a judge for the Fall scholarship cycle. I said yes, of course. Once I found out what judges look for in a winning application, I knew exactly why mine wasn't selected, and couldn't blame the judges at all, as I hadn't done half of what I could have. Here are a few tips to help you make the most out of your application, from a PTK member and scholarship judge:

Start early. As students, there's nothing we love more than

procrastinating. Getting things done at the last minute is a skill we often boast about, but good scholarship applications can't be done in a day. Take your time to go over the app, separate the mini-essay questions you'll need more time with, and draft your responses to give yourself time to organize your thoughts.

It's all in the details. As a student, I didn't really understand the difference that including details made in the application, but they are probably the most important part of it. The judges don't know you; they don't know anything about what you've done and your accomplishments. Write your answers like you are telling a story, so judges can get an exact picture of what you've done, and the impact of it. Most questions will have a 250-word limit, and if you can, use it all. Don't fluff it, though!

Double-check the questions. Something I love about the PTK Scholarship app is that the questions are really straight forward. Every question in the app has a blue question mark next to it with details of exactly what judges will be looking for. Make sure to answer ALL parts of the question!

Invest in community service. Serving your community not only feels great but also makes your application stand out! The PTK Scholarship app has a tab dedicated to volunteerism, but you can expect to see some aspect of community service in any scholarship application you apply for. A great way to get some community service hours in is getting involved with your PTK chapter. The app also has a tab dedicated to your involvement with PTK, and while not having any involvement is **not** a deal breaker, getting involved can help make your app shine!

One final piece of advice to all PTK members: **apply.** Scholarship apps can be intimidating, but there is no chance of getting a scholarship if you don't apply for one. Check out the [PTK Scholarship Resources](#), our [YouTube Channel](#) for scholarship webinars, and most importantly, [reach out to Phi Theta Kappa](#) if you have any questions.

We are here to help every student succeed.



The Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship provides up to \$55,000 per year for up to three years for baccalaureate studies. Cooke Scholars are also eligible for up to \$150,000 for graduate studies.

Nest application – October 2025

Visit www.jkcf.org for information about the scholarship, Cooke Scholars, and tips on writing stronger application. You may also sign up to be on the mailing list to get notified of the application availability.

What are the selection criteria?

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation reviews each application individually with assistance from a panel of education experts. Among the criteria used in the selection process are:

- Exceptional academic ability and achievement:** Strong academic record, academic awards and honors, and substantive assessments by educators providing confidential recommendations. We consider:
 - cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.5 or above
 - participation in available advanced courses
 - commitment to learning
 - intellectual curiosity
- Unmet financial need:** We will consider applicants with family income up to \$95,000.
- Persistence:** Determination and perseverance in the face of challenges, ability to set and remain focused on goals and to put in the effort needed to meet those goals in the face of obstacles.
- Leadership:** Ability to organize and positively influence others in school and out-of-school areas (family, religious community, sports, arts, etc.).
- Service to Others:** Purposeful and meaningful commitment to others which may be evidenced by

participation in volunteer/community service activities.



www.americaneedsyou.org

ANY addresses the professional development gap for first-generation college students and is changing these outcomes.



Research Experience for Undergraduates

NSF funds a large number of research opportunities for undergraduate students through its REU Sites program. An REU Site consists of a group of ten or so undergraduates who work in the research programs of the host institution. Each student is associated with a specific research project, where he/she works closely with the faculty and other researchers. Students are granted stipends and, in many cases, assistance with housing and travel. Undergraduate students supported with NSF funds must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States or its possessions. An REU Site may be at either a US or foreign location.

<https://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/>

You may examine opportunities in the subject areas supported by various NSF units. Also, you may search by keywords to identify sites in particular research areas or with certain features, such as a particular location.

Hudson County Community College students have participated in the Queensborough Community College Research Experience for Undergraduates program for many summers. There are Research Experience for Undergraduates programs all over the country. Members have also participated in programs at Columbia University, Princeton University, Rutgers, and University of South Dakota.



<https://www.ptk.org/reach-blog/2019/10/02/new-leadership-development-studies-course-is-here-and-online-only/>

This is a game-changer: the sixth edition of Phi Theta Kappa's Leadership Development Studies curriculum is here, it's entirely online, and it's free for all members. Prior to the COVID-19 Lockdown, this course was not free.

You don't even need a textbook — the curriculum uses open source materials that are readily available and include readings, TED Talks, videos, podcasts, and film studies. The course is grounded in the Humanities and features Classic Cases and Leadership Profiles from history and literature, as well as active learning exercises, discussions, and leadership journals.

"We are ecstatic to not only introduce the new curriculum but to also make it accessible to every single one of our PTK members for free," said Susan Edwards, PTK's Associate Vice President of Honors Programming and Undergraduate Research. "We have seen powerful leaders emerge from this course and believe everyone should have the opportunity to develop their own leadership potential."

There are 10 units for the course (Do Unit One first. Then the other units may be done in any order):

Unit One: Developing a Personal Leadership Philosophy

Examine different views of leadership and establish the foundation for a personal leadership philosophy.

Unit Two: Leading by Serving

This unit explores servant leadership and demonstrates that leadership in any field requires you to do more than just lead; the important thing is to serve.

Unit Three: Understanding Ethical Leadership

Contact

Genesis Castro, gcastro@yearup.org

Drew Marley, dmarley@yearup.org





Learn the concepts of personal and institutional social responsibility and social responsiveness, and survey the process of ethical reasoning and its tools.

Unit Four: Articulating a Vision

Inspiring a shared vision is one of the most difficult tasks a leader faces; explore the critical link between a leader’s vision and his or her ability to communicate its essence powerfully.

Unit Five: Team Building

Discover how an effective leader engages in team-building activities to increase the effectiveness of groups and the satisfaction of individuals working in groups.

Unit Six: Leading With Goals

Learn why goals are the stepping stones to personal, interpersonal, and career development and are critical for effective leadership.

Unit Seven: Making Decisions

This unit investigates the process of decision making first from a personal perspective and then from a broader perspective, when decisions will affect many.

Unit Eight: Guiding Through Conflict

You’ll learn that the leader’s task is not to remove conflict but to choreograph it in order to reduce its harmful side effects, maximize its positive benefits, and maintain civility.

Unit Nine: Realizing Change

Discover why one of the most important tasks of the leader is to encourage the ongoing rejuvenation of a group or organization.

Unit Ten: Empowering Others

Empowerment is an important concept for effective leadership; explore different approaches and the varied ways leaders can empower others.

Enroll at

<https://leadershipstudies.ptk.org/moodle/course/index.php?categoryid=3>

www.ptk.org/ptk-edge

**More Research Experience
for Undergraduates
Opportunities**

https://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/list_result.jsp?unitid=69&d=8001259-p=1

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Did you know that PTK members have exclusive access to transfer scholarships at 850+ transfer institutions? Explore your transfer options now at connect.ptk.org

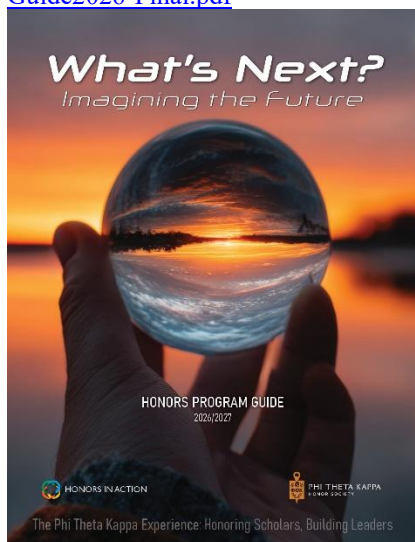


HONORS IN ACTION

The Phi Theta Kappa Experience:
Honoring Scholars, Building Servant Leaders

Phi Theta Kappa’s 2026-2027 Honors Study Topic is What’s Next: Imaging the Future

https://connect.ptk.org/web_files/advisors/static_files/staticPagesImages/HonorsActionResources/HonorsProgramGuide2026-Final.pdf



Finch College Alumni Scholarship

<https://www.finchcollege.org/scholarships> Check in January

Distinguished Chapter Member Award

To be completed by a current member

1. Describe briefly the most important ways your nominee participated as an active Phi Theta Kappa member. Include the nominee’s *specific* contributions and results that impacted the outcome of the project due to the nominee’s participation. Examples might include Honors in Action Project, College Project, Five Star Chapter Plan, member recruitment, participation in membership benefits, other engagement, etc.
2. Provide *specific* examples of how the nominee has positively influenced one or more chapter members (possible examples include member recruitment, motivation, mentoring, encouraging participation in chapter activities/PTK benefits, etc.)
3. Provide *specific* examples of how the nominee has distinguished themselves from others in the chapter. Examples might include outstanding volunteer service, effective communication skills, sharing a skill unique to the member, or creative contribution to chapter/regional programs.

To be completed by an advisor

1. Describe how the nominee has served as a mentor or role model for other chapter members and college students. Provide evidence of this impact in terms of *specific* examples (number of students impacted, results of interactions, etc.)
2. Describe how the nominee has cooperated with officers, members, and others outside the chapter to achieve success within the chapter.

The new nomination form will be available in the fall



Kaplan Leadership Program

<https://Kaplanedfoundation.org/apply>

Here are the answers to a few FAQs:

- KLP provides students with leadership development, transfer advising, individualized application support, and short-term financial support.
- To be eligible, students must:
 - Have a minimum 3.5 GPA
 - Have completed a minimum of 24 non-remedial credits by the end of the Spring 2026 semester
 - Be a US citizen or permanent resident
 - Qualify for federal financial aid

Neivi Nuez and Emmanuel Rodriguez are Kaplan Scholars 2026.

Other Kaplan Scholars from Hudson County Community College.



Angel Beebe, Smith College, 2025

The application deadline is May 31.

<https://Kaplanedfoundation.org/apply>

Ask me about KLP!

What We Do

The Kaplan Leadership Program (KLP) is designed for Associate's Degree students like you! The KLP empowers you, currently or formerly, students in the NJCCNJ area who are seeking to transfer to 2- or 4-year institutions. The KLP provides comprehensive support, including guidance on academics, career development, and financial aid, to help you achieve your goals.

Program Benefits

Academic Advising - Transfer Admissions Support

- Work one-on-one with academic advisors to help you map your path at your community college beyond.
- Meet one-on-one with transfer admissions advisors to identify the best fit for your program at your destination university or 4-year institution of your choice.
- Work with a writing coach to enhance your skills and work on your resumes and application materials.
- Receive a course transfer of credit analysis and letters from your 4-year destination university.

Financial Support

- One-on-one with the college transfer application process.
- Apply for additional funding to help pay for a variety of things like transportation, textbooks, and living expenses during your semester's degree and college transfer.

Additional Benefits

- Engage your skills with leadership training in study, English and the e-work.
- Unique social networking.
- Letter of interest upon successful completion of the college transfer.
- Scholarship of up to \$5000 per year toward your destination degree.
- Cultural enrichment to broaden your global experiences through events and study touring on the rich diversity of NYC.

Personal Development, Leadership Training - Mentoring

- One-on-one coaching and support given by industry leaders and other professionals.
- One-on-one coaching, job placement support, and administrative guidance for professional and educational programs.
- Mentoring by KLP Alumni - Staff

Neivi Nuez
Hudson County Community College '26
Major: Engineering Science

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Major: Accounting

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The Women on Par Scholarship

The "Women on Par" Scholarship Program, provided by the LPGA Foundation, was established in 2007 by the EWGA Foundation (now the LPGA Amateur Golf Association) to provide financial assistance to "non-traditional" female students. These scholarships are intended for women, aged 30 and older, who are attending a college or university for the first time or returning to school after an absence to complete their technical/vocational, Associate, or Bachelor's degree. The scholarships are designed to help these women get "on par," or get an equal footing, with their peers, friends, and other women who have had a chance to complete their college education.

Check for the next application <https://lpgaamateurs.com/membership/scholarship/>

Military Honor Cord



Phi Theta Kappa is so honored to provide no-cost military honor cords to all veteran and active duty PTK members.

To request a military cord, e-mail your military service proof to store@ptk.org.

"The best way to not feel hopeless is to get up and do something. Don't wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope, you will fill yourself with hope." – Barack Obama

Paura Mayorga, Mount Holyoke College, 2024



**IF SERVING IS BELOW YOU,
LEADERSHIP IS BEYOND YOU.**
— Anonymous —



The New Jersey Reentry Corporation (NJRC) is a non-profit agency to assist citizens returning from incarceration to join the workforce. Contact Jada Fulmore, Director of NJ ReEntry Kearny at jfulmore@njreentry.org about volunteer opportunities.



The Open Run is held on Sundays at Lincoln Park and other locations. Volunteers are needed.
nyrr.org/openrun/volunteer

**Dvine Konektion Community
Development Corporation**
611 56th Street. West New York 201-617-4484

www.dvinek.org

<https://www.facebook.com/dvinekwny/>

Each month, a Health and Wellness Community Fair is held to groceries, free medical screenings, and other supplies, and services. Contact to volunteer.



**Gardening, Liberty State Park,
9:00 am-12:00 pm**
Register at www.jerseycare.org



https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/Walk/Walk?pg=informational&fr_id=164566&type=fr_informational&sid=12952&s_promoCode=volunteer

Sunday, September 20
Rockefeller Park
175 Battery Place, NY

Roxy Arrojo
Executive Director
roxy@educationalartsteam.org
201-428-2466

educationalartsteam.org
300 Morris Pesin Drive
Jersey City, N.J. 07305

Mission
We engage young people with arts based programs that connect creativity with critical thinking in order to stimulate personal growth and academic achievement by making their learning experience more meaningful.

**Education Arts Team
welcomes volunteers. Contact
Roxy Arrojo.**



**HUDSON COUNTY RCE
LINCOLN PARK
LEARNING GARDEN**
LOCATED INSIDE JERSEY CITY'S LINCOLN PARK
(NEAR CORNER OF COMMUNIPAW AVE & RT 440,
ACROSS FROM THE TENNIS COURTS)

VOLUNTEER & GROW WITH US!
OPEN GARDEN VOLUNTEER HOURS:
TUESDAYS: 4PM - 7PM & SATURDAYS: 10AM - 1PM
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT OUR GARDEN MANAGER,
ROXANA AT RM1679@NJ.RCES.RUTGERS.EDU



**PFF Walk
August 30
Liberty State Park**

Register at

<https://www.pulmonaryfibrosis.org/get-involved/events/pff-walk/pff-walk-volunteer-interest-form>



www.mercyformyneighbor.org

Volunteers are needed for different services including food distribution, meals, and clothing distribution.

Mercy for my neighbor is located at 738 John F Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 3, Jersey City NJ 07305 but it provides services around Hudson County.



<https://www.hackensackriverkeeper.org/rivercleanupprogram>
Cleanups in Hudson County

Sat. June 20, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm
Meadowlands Solstice Cleanup, 36 Laurel Hill Rd, Secaucus, NJ 07094

Sat. August 22, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm
Rutkowski Park Cleanup, Hackensack River Walk, Bayonne, NJ 07002

Registration opens about 3 weeks in advance

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth." – Muhammad Ali



**Saturday, November 21
Liberty State Park**





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Beta Alpha Phi Alumni Association



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Department of Defense (DoD)
Scholarship-for-Service Program
[DoD STEM Scholarships & Grants - SMART Scholarship](#)
Opens in August

[Spring Scholarship Application scholarships.ptk.org](#)
January 6-May 15

Member Benefits
<https://www.ptk.org/benefits/member-discounts/>
Check www.ptk.org/store for discounts

Chapter's Website
Phi Theta Kappa webpage on the Hudson County Community College website:

[Phi Theta Kappa \(PTK\) | Hudson County Community College \(hccc.edu\)](#)

PTK Scholarship Application
4 TIPS FROM THE EXPERTS

<p>1</p> <p>Request a Letter of Recommendation EARLY</p> <p><small>The earlier you request a letter of recommendation, the more time you have to provide feedback and make any necessary adjustments.</small></p>	<p>2</p> <p>Proofread, proofread, PROOFREAD!</p> <p><small>Before you submit your application, proofread it carefully. Check for typos, missing information, and formatting errors. Ask a friend or family member to review your application as well.</small></p>	<p>3</p> <p>Complete Your Application</p> <p><small>Make sure you have completed all required sections of your application, including your resume, essays, and letters of recommendation.</small></p>	<p>4</p> <p>Submit Your Completed Application</p> <p><small>Once you are satisfied with your application, submit it to the PTK Scholarship Application portal. Good luck!</small></p>
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How Honors in Action® Works

Connect with the chapter officers and other students to identify and research a theme from the current Honors Study Topic and an issue on your campus or in your larger community. Then, you'll turn that research into a plan of action that meets a specific need in your area. You'll expand your worldview and be able to give back through service — a win-win.

Through these experiences, students build practical and academic skills. By working closely with both their peers as well as campus and community leaders, students will learn not only how to research an issue but also how to utilize resources and build professional relationships.

The 2026-2027 Honors Study is
What's Next? Imagining the future

<https://connect.ptk.org/content/shared/honorsinactionresources>

Theme 1

What influence will relationships and identity have on how people interact with an ever-changing world in the future?

Theme 2

How will people recognize the appropriate need, time, and manner for separation and reconciliation in the future?

Theme 3

How will people navigate the tensions between conviction and cultural expectations in the future?

Theme 4

How will future societies balance individual liberties and social responsibilities?

Theme 5

How can migration and exchange influence the future of communities?

Theme 6

In what ways can data in all its forms influence decision-making for the future?

Theme 7

Where and how will humans live, work, and play in the future?

Theme 8

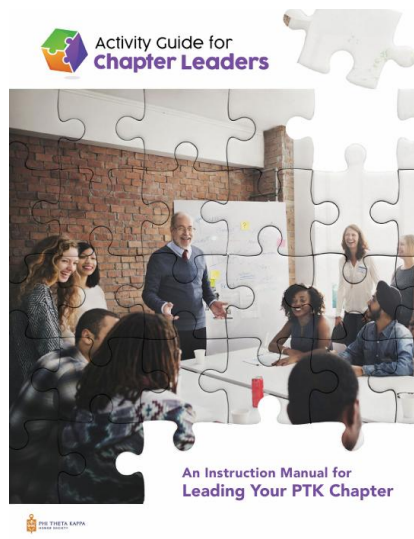
How can humans design a better future, and what barriers stand in the way?

The College Project: Becoming Your College's Best Ally

The College Project is designed to help your chapter develop and/or strengthen a supportive working relationship with your college administration.

Administrative support is essential for all active Phi Theta Kappa chapters – funding their travel, granting access to campus resources, and celebrating in person the chapter's inductions. Instead of asking for a handout, *this* is your opportunity to offer a hand with whatever the college needs to support its mission.

The project can be *anything* that benefits the college and is *approved* by the college administration – preferably the campus president/CEO.



<https://connect.ptk.org/content/shared/ActivityGuide>

This guide breaks down the most important activities of an engaged Phi Theta Kappa chapter with easy-to-follow instructions, samples you can customize to meet your needs, and lots of ways to build your leadership skills while you're growing a strong chapter.

Year Up

<https://www.yearup.org/>

“Year Up enables young adults to move from minimum wage to meaningful careers in just one year.”

“Year Up’s mission is to close the Opportunity Divide by ensuring that young adults gain the skills, experiences, and support that will empower them to reach their potential through careers and higher education.”

A six-month internship is part of the program.



[Jeannette Rankin National Scholarship Grant - Jeannette Rankin \(rankinfoundation.org\)](https://rankinfoundation.org/)

•Must be a woman or nonbinary age 35 or older meeting the financial requirements

• A U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States.
Application: Opens on November 11
Graduating in 2025-2026
Academic Year?

Apply for the Fall Scholarships, not the Spring Scholarships.

Deadline: December 2

scholarships.ptk.org



The Beta Alpha Phi Awards Cabinet is in S306. A new cabinet is in the STEM lobby.



SMART SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Defense Created by Scientists and Engineers
<https://www.smartscholarship.org/smart>

SMART Scholars are provided with the tools required to pursue their STEM education and begin their career in a prestigious civilian position with the Department of Defense (DoD). **Benefits include:** Full tuition and education related educational expenses (meal plans, housing, and parking not included)

- Stipend paid at a rate of \$25,000 - \$38,000 a year depending on degree level (may be prorated depending on award length)
- Summer research internships ranging from 8 to 12 weeks
- Health Insurance allowance of up to \$1,200 per academic year
- Miscellaneous allowance of up to \$1,000 per academic year
- An experience mentor at one of the Sponsoring Facilities
- Employment placement at a DoD facility upon degree completion.

**Application period
August 1 to December 1**

Some requirements are United States citizenship, 18 years old by August 1, 2022, degree in STEM, and minimum GPA of 3.0

You may apply for the scholarship for undergraduate and graduate studies at the same time.

 **HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
<http://hsf.net>

<https://apply.hsf.net/>
https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship

Honors Case Study Challenge

<https://portal.ptk.org/Programs/HonorsinAction/HonorsCaseStudyChallenge.aspx>

Award: \$500
Deadline: November 7

- Read online or print newspaper articles of varying viewpoints between January 1 and November 1, 2023.
- Select five newspaper articles with varying viewpoints on a single topic related to the Phi Theta Kappa Honors Study Topic, *To the Seventh Generation: Inheritance and Legacy*. Go to the website for more information.

Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship

The Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise scholarship program provides new Phi Theta Kappa members with financial resources to help defray educational expenses while enrolled in a two-year college in order to develop leadership potential through participation in Phi Theta Kappa programs.

The program awards up to 200 scholarships of \$1,000 each, a total of \$200,000 in scholarships annually. Of these awards, 25 scholarships are earmarked for current members of the military or military veterans.

The Phi Theta Kappa Global Leaders of Promise scholarship program provides new Phi Theta Kappa members who are international students with financial resources to help defray educational expenses while enrolled in a two-year college.
Deadline: May 15



Phi Theta Kappa's FREE online search tool for transfer scholarships, colleges and career pathways

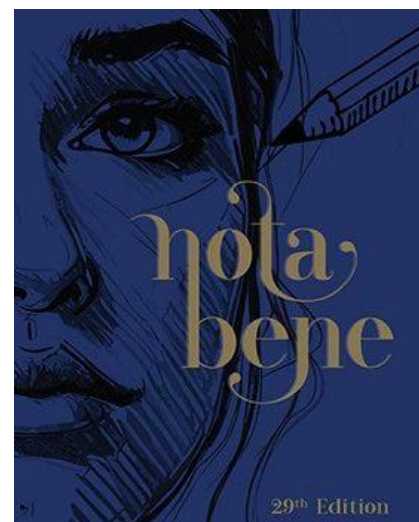
PTK CONNECT
YOUR NEXT STEP STARTS HERE

- Transfer Student-Focused**
PTK Connect serves as a one-stop shop designed for transfer-focused students by college transfer experts. Review data is lists that is 100% relevant to YOU.
- Gather College Knowledge**
Customize your search to locate best-fit college transfer choices. Evaluate transfer-intentness ratings to compare college profiles.
- Get Discovered!**
Demonstrate interest in four-year institutions by viewing 4-yearing college profiles. Expect to hear from counselors who aim to attract is enroll PTK members!
- Search for Scholar Dollars**
Leverage your membership to secure return on investment. Find colleges offering exclusive PTK transfer scholarship opportunities.
- Career Insights**
Explore career pathways, including salary surveys to employment start by state. Investigate which academic majors align with your career interests.
- Everything to Gain, Nothing to Lose**
Maximize your membership benefits & PTK experience by taking full advantage of PTK's FREE online tool accessible 24/7.

Membership Card

Calling all members and alumni! You can now be a card-carrying member of PTK - check Phi Theta Kappa's new membership card under your profile when you log into connect.ptk.org.





Past issues of *Nota Bene* are available at www.ptk.org
<https://www.ptk.org/scholarships/nota-bene-literary-competition/>. *Nota Bene*, Latin for "note well," is Phi



Theta Kappa's honors anthology. It recognizes outstanding writing of Phi Theta Kappa members and demonstrates to the literary public the academic excellence and commitment to scholarship found at two-year colleges. The first issue of *Nota Bene* was published in 1994; it has been published annually ever since. Some authors will receive \$500 or \$1,000.

Opens in Fall 2026



www.hacu.net

Resource for scholarships, internships, and other opportunities for students of any ethnicity. Hudson County Community College is a member of HACU.



Phi Oberndorf Lifeline to Completion Scholarship will help Phi Theta Kappa members overcome unanticipated financial barriers preventing the

completion of a student's first college credential, an associate degree or certificate. Visit scholarships.ptk.org/

Scholarship Resources

www.collegescholarships.org
www.brokescholar.com
www.cksf.org
www.free-4u.com
www.collegeraptor.com
www.fastweb.com
www.finaid.org
www.hsf.net
www.knowhow2go.org
www.scholarships.com
www.scholarshipamerica.org
www.TRPI.org
www.zinch.com
www.jkcf.org
www.hccc.edu/scholarships
www.hccc.edu/countyscholarships
www.aauw.org/education/fga/scholarships.cfm
www.sciencewise.com
www.aicpa.org
www.studentscholarships.org

FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERNSCHOLARSHIP Finch College Alumni Association

\$5,000 scholarship, awarded in two disbursements, for females at least 22 years old transferring to any accredited 4-year college in September. The 2026 application will be available in early 2026. deadline: May 1
<https://www.finchcollege.org/scholarship>

Required documents: application, essay, resume, transcript, proof of age, proof of United States citizenship or permanent residence, two letters of recommendations.

Scholarship Resource

<http://www.benefits.gov/benefits/browse-by-category/category/17>



America Needs You is an American non-profit organization with headquarters in New York City. ANY pairs low-income college students, who are first in their family to go to college, with mentors. It provides professional development mentoring and job placement services to its clients.

Are you an ambitious first-generation college student? The America Needs You (ANY) Fellows Program is an intensive two-year program for high-achieving, low-income, first-generation college students. The program has four components:

1. **Intensive Career Development:** ANY follows a best in class curriculum focused on professional skills, career exploration, college completion, and personal growth. The program provides up to 28 full-day workshops over the course of two years.
2. **One-on-One Mentorship:** Each student (Fellow) is matched one-on-one with a mentor (Mentor Coach), who attends full-day workshops with the Fellow, resulting in up to 220 hours of mentoring over the two-year program. Mentor Coaches provide industry insight and connections as well as help Fellows set goals and stay on track academically and professionally.
3. **Robust Networks:** Fellows interact with thousands of diverse professionals through workshops, Career Days (on-site employer visits), and internship/job opportunities at companies. These opportunities allow Fellows to grow their professional,



academic and social networks.

4. **Holistic Support:** ANY supports Fellows in overcoming personal and academic challenges, such as transfer support for Fellows enrolled in community college. The program also provides up to \$2,000 in grants and in-kind contributions over the two years, including business attire.

<https://www.americanneedsyou.org/our-programs/programs-overview/>

Check in January for the 2023 program.



Goldwater Scholarship

<https://goldwater.scholarsapply.org/>

The 2024 application opened in September 2023. Deadline: January 2024

The Goldwater Scholarship Program, one of the oldest and most prestigious national scholarships in the natural sciences, engineering, and mathematics in the United States, seeks to identify and support college sophomores and juniors who show exceptional promise of becoming this Nation’s next generation of research leaders in these fields.

The characteristics the Foundation seeks in a Goldwater Scholar include: strong commitment to a research career in the natural sciences, mathematics and engineering, effective display of intellectual intensity in the sciences, mathematics and engineering, and potential for a significant future contribution to research in their chosen field.



The All-USA Community College Academic Team recognizes high achieving two-year college students who demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual rigor combined with leadership and service that extends their education beyond the classroom to benefit society. Twenty team members are named annually with each receiving a \$2,500 scholarship, a total of \$50,000 in scholarship awards. In addition to scholarships, team members are featured in the USA TODAY newspaper and presented at the annual President’s Breakfast held during the American Association of Community Colleges Annual Convention. July 28-December 2



The Guistwhite Scholarships recognize Phi Theta Kappa members for outstanding academic achievement, leadership accomplishment and engagement in Phi Theta Kappa programs and is designed to assist in the members’ attainment of baccalaureate degrees. Phi Theta Kappa annually awards up to 20 scholarships of \$5,000 each.

The application period: July 28 to December 2.



HITES SCHOLARSHIP

The Hites Transfer Scholarship recognizes outstanding academic achievement, engagement in college and community activities, and leadership accomplishment of Phi Theta Kappa members preparing to transfer to senior institutions in pursuit of baccalaureate degrees. Phi Theta Kappa annually awards up to 10 scholarships of \$7,500 each. The application is opened: July 28-December 2

Eligibility
The All-USA Academic Team, Hites Scholarship, and Guistwhite Scholarship are part of the Fall Common Application closes on December 1st www.ptk.org

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

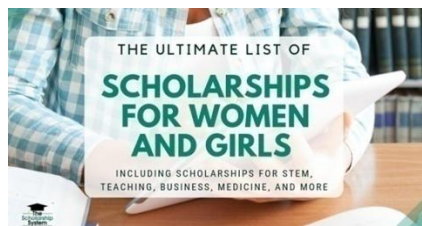
Hudson County Community College Foundation has been operating since 1997. The Foundation works to develop income for needs-based and merit scholarships and to provide seed money for new and innovative student programs at HCCC. New students entering HCCC or currently enrolled students with GPA’s of 2.0 to 4.0 are eligible for scholarships. ESL & Academic Foundations students are eligible for scholarships. Hudson County Community College Foundation offers a variety of scholarships to qualified applicants. Students may receive one Foundation Scholarship in a given semester. Scholarships must be used in the academic year for which they are awarded. Students receiving



scholarships must be enrolled in a degree-seeking matriculated program. Students may reapply for scholarships each spring. **Deadline: July 1**


The website lists scholarships from Hudson County Community College and other sponsors.

<https://www.hccc.edu/paying-for-college/scholarships/index.html>




https://thescholarshipssystem.com/blog-for-students-families/the-ultimate-list-of-scholarships-for-women-and-girls/?fbclid=IwAR2L7kugdrIUeLLSus-6JddB0PrTTA_v7TAFEAZcut-IS2GXrkM4aMAWvSo

Northern New Jersey Bridges to the Baccalaureate is
NOW RECRUITING!!



Hudson County Community College was recently awarded a Bridges to the Baccalaureate (B2B) grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to support students from under-represented backgrounds in their completion of Associate degrees in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and transfer to four-year institutions.



Why Be B2B?

<p>Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive support in completing a STEM degree and transferring to a four-year institution • Paid Research Experiences - A select number of Hudson County Community College B2B scholars are eligible for summer and semester-long work experiences at four-year institutions • Paid Leadership Experiences/Campus Jobs - Positions include Program Ambassador, Web Master, Social Media Coordinator, Departmental Liaison, Career Events Assistant, etc. • Mentoring from students and faculty at Hudson County Community College and participating four-year institutions • Financial Rewards for participating in B2B activities 	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major or intend to major in a non-medical science STEM major • Commit to graduate within two to three years • Available to participate in B2B activities • Willing to support fellow students in their academic success • Desire to contribute to the mission and program goals of broadening diversity in STEM
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Contact:
Dr. V. B. Josail
Associate Professor of Biology, Room S 505C
Faculty Site Coordinator Northern NJB2B Alliance
vjosail@hccc.edu
Office Phone: (201) 360 - 4286

Funded by the National Science Foundation,
Grant Award #HRD1410389

Hudson County Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or disability. See the Public Notice Concerning Higher Education.

Contact Professor Fidelis Kahouo,
Faculty Site Coordinator Northern
NJB2B Alliance
fkahouo@hccc.edu(201) 360 –
5348, S505

KAPLAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

<http://www.kaplanedfoundation.org/become-a-scholar/apply-to-be-a-kaplan-scholar/>

The Kaplan Leadership Program removes many of your financial burdens, allowing you to complete your associate's degree and earn a

bachelor's degree. The Kaplan Leadership Program shows you how to take control of your future, change your life, and achieve your academic and career goals. Program benefits include:

- *Academic advising and transfer admissions support to help you transition from your associate's degree program to a bachelor's degree program
 - *Financial support that allows you to focus on school
 - *Personal development, training, and mentoring
 - *Cultural Enrichment Opportunities
- The 2026 application will close on May 31



Students at NISOD member colleges are invited to participate in the Student Graphic Design Contest and design the official Conference Program for NISOD's 2027 International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence, the definitive gathering of community and technical college faculty, administrators, and staff seeking best and promising practices designed to improve student achievement.

It is at each member college's discretion how it determines what artwork is submitted to NISOD for consideration. Opens in September. Award: \$1,000 and more
Up to \$400 for travel to Austin, Texas
Up to three nights lodging (Saturday, Sunday, Monday nights only) and one complimentary conference registration.

For more information, go to
<https://www.nisod.org/membership/student-graphic-design-contest/>
Check in the fall semester



<http://nisod.org/?q=scott-wright-student-essay-contest>

Student authors are asked to describe a faculty member, staff member, or

administrator who encouraged them to complete a course, finish a semester, or graduate from college, and how that encouragement helped them reach their goal(s) in 500 words or less.

Check in the fall semester

3 Awards

Each winner and the essay's subject will get \$1,000, a complimentary conference registration to the International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence (May in Austin, Texas), complimentary hotel room (maximum three nights), and up to \$400 towards transportation costs to the conference. Each winning student author's college will receive a complimentary membership. The winning student essays will be published on *Community College Week's* and NISOD's websites along with the photos and names of the winning student authors; the featured employees; and the winning student authors' college presidents.



Spring Scholarships Webinar Also Good Tips for the Fall Scholarships

In 2022, Phi Theta Kappa hosted a webinar to assist with the preparation of the Spring Scholarship Application.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0XUcwGh_iDE

Distinguished College Administrator Award





Scholarships Administered by Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa administers scholarships using a common application. Applicants may apply for one scholarship on the common application or multiple scholarships at the same time. The Fall Scholarship Application opens in the summer and the Spring Application opens in the winter. www.scholarships.ptk.org

Fall Scholarships

All scholarships administered on the Fall Scholarship Application are for use by students who are almost finished with their associate degree coursework and intend to enter the work force or intend to transfer to an accredited four-year college to complete a baccalaureate degree for the following upcoming academic year. When you begin an online application, you will first be required to take and pass an eligibility quiz which will help you determine your eligibility for the following scholarships.

Deadline: December 1

Hites Transfer Scholarship

Guistwhite Scholarship

All-USA Community College Academic Team

Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team

New Century Scholars

All-State Community College Academic Team

Spring Scholarships

Scholarship Application are for use by students who are relatively new community college students and plan to attend the community college for associate degree coursework for the upcoming academic year. When you begin an online application, you will first be required to take and pass an eligibility quiz which will help you determine your eligibility for the following scholarships. **Opens in January, Deadline: May 15**

Frank Lanza Memorial Scholarship

Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise

Richard L. Resurreccion Public Safety Scholarship

**Oberndorf Lifeline to Completion Scholarship
awarded each month**

scholarships.ptk.org #PTKScholarships

Fall Application Deadline
December 2

Spring Application Deadline
May 15

Phi Theta Kappa Spring Scholarships - the application is open

<https://portal.ptk.org/Scholarships/AssociateDegreeScholarships.aspx>

<https://portal.ptk.org/Scholarships/OtherScholarships.aspx>

<https://www.careeronestop.org/toolkit/training/find-scholarships.aspx>



Calendar of Events

- *August 19 **Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship** Opens
- *August 30 **PFF Walk**, Liberty State Park
- *September 20 **St. Jude Walk**, Rockefeller Park, New York City
- *October 18, **Bike MS**, Pier 76, New York City
- *November 10 **Friends of Liberty State Park 5K Run/Walk**, 8:00 am
- *November 21 **Zero Prostate Cancer Walk/Run**, Liberty State Park



Emmanuel Rodriguez, Class of 2026
 Kaplan Scholar
 Accepted as a PwC Audit Intern
 Admitted to Cornell University

Phi Theta Kappa
 International Honor Society
 263 Academy Street, S305
 Jersey City, New Jersey 07306

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 What's Next? Imagining the future

For full details visit www.ptk.org/honors/guide

Friends of Liberty State Park Gardening Program
 9:00 am-12:00 pm
 Saturday
 201-915-3402 ext. 101
 Sign up at www.jerseycare.org

www.ptk.org

middle-states-region.ptk.org

Facebook Group:
<https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/322464417875149/>

X:
<http://www.twitter.com/ptkbap>

Instagram:
[@HCCC_PTK](https://www.instagram.com/HCCC_PTK)

Snapchat:
[phithetakappa2017](https://www.snapchat.com/add/phithetakappa2017)

