

Dear MVCC Student,

I'm happy to announce that we are now accepting applications for the SUNY Empire State Diversity Honors Scholarship. The State University of New York offers this scholarship to continue its commitment to enrolling and retaining a diverse student body that reflects the population of the State of New York.

Eligible students must be enrolled in a degree program and have demonstrated high academic achievement (3.0 average). Students may be full or part time. They must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and a New York State resident. Eligible students must contribute to the diversity of the student body in their program or MVCC, "primarily overcoming a disadvantage or other impediment to success in higher education." (SUNY Guidelines)

Your application packet must include:

- A completed and signed application form that is attached.
- A letter of recommendation from a Guidance Counselor, Advisor, Teacher, Coach, etc.
- A copy of your high school or MVCC Transcript (may be unofficial).
- A 500 word minimum essay on how you contribute to the diversity at MVCC.

Diversity Indicators may include, but are not limited to:

- Financial need
- Economic disadvantage
- Disability
- First generation college student
- Adult learner
- Non-English speaking background
- Veteran
- Underrepresented ethnic group

Please note that no single indicator will form the sole basis for the award. Each application will be evaluated on its own merit. Prior to disbursement of Scholarships, selected students must have applied for TAP and Pell and may be required to document residency status.

Applications deadline: **Friday, March 6, 2020**. The application can be dropped off to Dave Yahnke at the Assessment and Testing Center in Payne Hall (PH 104A).

Best Regards,

Maureen Boufas
SUNY Empire State Diversity Honors Scholarship Chair

SUNY EMPIRE STATE DIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLARSHIP
Spring 2020 Application

Name: _____ M#: _____

Address: _____
 Street City State Zip Code

Telephone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

If Freshman Student:

High School Final Average: _____
Year Graduated: _____
High School Attended: _____
Location: _____

If Continuing College Student:

Previous Semester GPA: _____
Dates Attended: _____
College Attended: _____
Location: _____

MVCC Information:

Major: _____ (secondary, if any): _____
Clubs/Activities: _____
Community Involvement: _____
Diversity Indicator(s)/background you contribute to MVCC: _____

Residency requirement: **U. S. Citizen** **U. S. Permanent Resident**

Are you a New York State resident? **Yes** or **No**

Please state your Short Term (next 3 years) personal/career goals: _____

Please state your Long Term (beyond 3 years) personal/career goals: _____

Attach (please submit only complete applications):

- Copy of High School or College transcript with GPA
- Letter of recommendation
- 500 word essay on how you contribute to the diversity on campus

(For official use only)

Signature: _____ Date: _____