INVESTING TODAY in the LEADERSHIP of TOMORROW
In a highly competitive world, education and solid work experience are essential ingredients to a successful tomorrow. However, with constantly rising tuition costs and a tight job market, these two things are not always readily available to everyone. The Thomas G. Labrecque Smart Start Scholarship Program provides 20 graduating seniors from New York City public, parochial and private schools with four-year full tuition scholarships at one of the colleges listed below as well as paid internships during college. The internships are part of a comprehensive development program in which the students work part-time during the academic year and full time during the summer. JPMorgan Chase representatives also assist in the academic and professional development of the Smart Start Scholars by serving as mentors and peer advisors. If all this sounds interesting, we invite you to apply to become a JPMorgan Chase Smart Start Scholar. This brochure contains details on eligibility and how to apply.

**Thomas G. Labrecque**  
**Smart Start Scholarship Program**

- Baruch College  
- Brooklyn College  
- Columbia University/Barnard College  
- Fordham University  
- Long Island University (Brooklyn Campus)  
- New York University  
- Pace University  
- Polytechnic University  
- Queens College  
- St. Francis College  
- St. John’s University

**What Does The Program Include?**

- Tuition for four years (eight consecutive semesters) towards an undergraduate degree.
- A paid internship at JPMorgan Chase with specific work assignments and on-the-job training. Students work full-time in the summer and part time during the school year.
- $500 per year for books and supplies.
- Training classes and seminars emphasizing professional development and career guidance.
- Support networks including mentors, peer advisors, and the Smart Start Program staff.

**Who is Eligible?**

- All residents of New York City who attend any high schools in New York City’s five boroughs.
- Students planning to attend college in the fall immediately following graduation.
- Students must apply and be accepted to one of the participating colleges associated with the Thomas G. Labrecque Smart Start Scholarship Program.
- Students in the program must major in one of the following fields of study: business, communications, computer science, engineering, liberal arts, or social science (life science majors are not eligible).
- Students must have legal authorization to work in the United States.

Legal dependents of JPMorgan Chase employees are not eligible for the Smart Start Program, but continue to be eligible for JPMorgan Chase’s scholarships for employees’ children.
Five Scholarship Program Stories

O’Delle Burke
Class of 1999
“The Smart Start Program was the most fundamentally important experience of my professional career. The program provided me with the first comprehensive insight into the corporate world, which gave me the opportunity to learn and contribute to the different businesses. Smart Start also provided me with the crucial training and mentor support that was very helpful in acclimating to the experience.”

Zara Anwarzai
Class of 2001
“The Thomas Labrecque Smart Start Scholarship Program was an immensely important experience. I gained exposure to the corporate world at a very young age, received one of the best educations in and outside of school, and made invaluable friendships which have lasted beyond my scholastic career and into my professional career.”

Dipesh Gandhi
Class of 2003
“The Thomas Labrecque Smart Start Scholarship Program has been one of the greatest experiences of my life. The four rotational assignments have helped me develop the necessary skills to work in a financial institution, develop as a person, and helped me decide where I wanted to be even before graduation. The professional and personal networks that I have built at JPMorgan Chase are invaluable.”

Veronica Alabi
Class of 2002
“Working in a corporate environment while earning my degree places me one step closer to achieving my goals and investing in a promising future.”

Karina Barro
Class of 2000
“The Smart Start Scholarship Program staff, as well as the people I work with stress that school takes priority, and their main concern is for me to get the most I can from school, and apply it to work and everyday life.”

The Application Process
♦ Students apply in their senior year of high school.
♦ Application materials are available from high school guidance counselors, participating colleges and Chase branches within the five boroughs of New York City.
♦ All application materials including a written essay, a personal or professional recommendation, and academic transcripts must be submitted to the Scholarship and Recognition Program of the Educational Testing Service (ETS) by the first Friday in January.

Students should take the SAT I exam no later than December of their senior year when applying for the scholarship.

The Selection Process
The Scholarship and Recognition Program of the Educational Testing Service (ETS), a recognized expert in scholarship administration, will conduct preliminary screening of candidates. Finalists will be interviewed by JPMorgan Chase managers, who will make final selections. Winners will be notified by the end of April.

What Obligations Do Scholarship Winners Have?
Scholarship winners must enroll for the fall semester as full-time students (at least twelve credits per semester) in one of the participating colleges. Scholarship winners must meet and maintain their college academic standards as matriculated full-time students. In addition, students must maintain a fully satisfactory performance rating for their work at JPMorgan Chase.
Participating Colleges

Baruch College
Admissions Office
(212) 802-2300

Brooklyn College
Admissions Office
(718) 951-5001

Columbia University
Admissions Office
(212) 854-2522
(212) 854-5262 (Barnard)

Fordham University
Admissions Office
(718) 817-4000

Long Island University
(Brooklyn Campus)
Admissions Office
(718) 488-1011

New York University
Admissions Office
(212) 998-4500

Pace University
Admissions Office
(212) 346-1323

Polytechnic University
Admissions Office
(718) 260-3100

Queens College
Admissions Office
(718) 997-5614

St. Francis College
Admissions Office
(718) 522-2300

St. John’s University
Admissions Office
(718) 990-2000

For an application or further information contact, Smart Start at 866-520-2976 or email Smart.Start@Chase.com