

FAFSA and TAP

Students must ensure that they complete the **FAFSA** (fafsa.gov) and **TAP** (hesc.ny.gov) **application**. The Baruch and Dean's Scholar Programs provide in-state tuition coverage for the Fall and Spring semesters if the student completes both applications. The deadline for completing the applications is March 31 of each year for the upcoming award year. Failure to submit the FAFSA and TAP applications will jeopardize the student's scholarship eligibility and may be charged tuition for the entire award year.

**Exception: Undocumented and International students do not need to complete the FAFSA or TAP*

Verification

Once the FAFSA and TAP applications are completed, the student should visit the CUNYfirst → Student Center → To Do List for any additional financial aid information that may be needed (e.g. verification documents, supplement form, and income tax information). All scholars must comply with verification process by June 1st. Failure to complete the verification process will jeopardize the student's scholarship eligibility and student may be liable for his/her tuition.

Checklist

- 2018-2019 FAFSA 2018-2019 TAP complete (NYS residents only)
- 2018-2019 Verification complete (check your Baruch e-mail or CUNYfirst -> Student Center -> To Do List)
- Tuition covered
- Fees paid
- Contact information up to date
- Enrolled in Direct Deposit

Tuition Scholarship

The Baruch and Dean's Scholars Programs offer students a four-year (NY State) tuition scholarship with an annual maximum of \$6,730. Scholarship awards are applicable exclusively to the fall and spring semesters and scholarship amounts will be awarded only after all other financial aid grants and gift aid have been applied. (e.g. \$6,730 in-state tuition- \$700 in financial aid= \$6,030 tuition scholarship)

**The Dean's Scholars Program does not change the student's residency status.*

Eligibility Requirements

- Annual completion of the FAFSA and TAP by March 31 for each upcoming academic year
- Complete verification if needed (Check CUNYfirst-> Student Center -> To Do List)
- Register and complete at least 12 or more credits during Fall/Spring semesters (If you are unable to meet the full- time requirement, you must discuss enrollment changes with your designated advisor)
- All continuing:

*Dean's Scholars (DS) must maintain a 3.2 cumulative GPA

*Baruch Scholars must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.3 up to the 59th unit and 3.5 after the 60th unit to graduate with College Honors.

Student Fees

Baruch and Dean's Scholars are responsible for payment of all fees. All fees must be paid on time. A description of fees charged by the University can be found on the Baruch Bursar's webpage. Failure to pay all applicable fees by the deadline will result in the placement of a Bursar hold, which may prevent future registration.

Update Contact Information

Student must maintain up-to- date contact information, in order to receive all important information.

Sign Up for Direct Deposit

Direct Deposit is a great way to get your financial aid/scholarship funds securely and quickly. Sign up by going to CUNYfirst → Self- Service → Campus Finances → Add Bank Account details and Enroll in Direct Deposit.

Liability

The Baruch and Dean's Scholar Programs do not cover dropped or withdrawn course tuition charges. If a student drops or withdraws from a course after the first day of the associated semester, they will be responsible for any charges that may be incurred. Any dropping or withdrawal should be consulted with your designated advisor.

Questions

If you have any inquiries, please reach out to us via email at financial.aid@baruch.cuny.edu.