



JOSE P. GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY

The New York City Department of Education's Jose P. Graduate Scholarship Program for Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy (OT/PT) was created to address staffing needs in critical shortage areas and improve the delivery of service to New York City Public School students. This program provides full and partial tuition to individuals pursuing a degree in **Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy**. The Jose P. Graduate Scholarship Program for Occupational and Physical Therapy does **NOT** pay for prerequisite courses.

ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for the Jose P. Graduate Scholarship Program for Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be accepted and enrolled in a full-time Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy program at a participating college or university leading to New York State license.
- Provide proof of U.S. Citizenship or Permanent Resident status.
- Do not possess a disqualifying record of conviction. All awardees are required to be fingerprinted and receive clearance from the New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE).
- Agree to accept employment as a full-time Occupational Therapist or Physical Therapist within the NYCDOE in an area of high need. High-need areas are determined at the discretion of the program supervisor upon obtaining your New York State license.
- Maintain full-time college or university enrollment.
- Submit a complete application, including the non-refundable application fee of \$75.00.

SERVICE REQUIREMENT AND COMMITMENT

Upon program completion, scholarship recipients are required to teach or provide services in the designated districts of Bronx Districts - 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12; Brooklyn Districts - 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, and 32; and District 75 - Brooklyn and Bronx schools only, within the New York City Public School system. The maximum number of years that one is allowed to participate in the scholarship program is two (2) years, specifically the last two (2) years of study in that program, regardless of the length of the applicant's study or program.

PARTICIPATING COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES*

The NYCDOE will pay the cost of tuition to the college or university for no more than two (2) years of study while the scholarship recipient is completing their degree and enrolled in the scholarship program. Participating institutions of higher education are:

Columbia University	New York University
Keuka College	SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn
Long Island University	Touro College
Mercy College	York College
New York Institute of Technology	

**Not all degree programs are represented at each college. Please refer to our website for specific program requirements.*

KEY DATES

Applications are available the first week of January through April 30th.

To apply, visit <http://www.teachnycprograms.net> and select the program of interest.

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