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| NCC/New Community College | |
| ARE YOU A  STUDENT WHO…? | **PROGRAM OVERVIEW** |
| Designed to be a new kind of community college, what makes going to NCC a unique experience are first year “learning communities” and lots of integrated student support.  **Learning communities:**   * Students, organized into cohorts of 25, **take all first-year courses together** and **share a Student Support Advocate** (SSA/advisor). * Students meet with SSAs at least 3x/semester individually, 1x/week as a cohort. * Each cohort has a **peer mentor**, an upperclassman at one of the 4 year CUNYs, to share essential study skills and advice on how to be successful that first year. * The majority of coursework is **problem-based** (you work out the solution to a social, environmental, mathematical, etc. problem) **within groups**. Often assignments combine work for more than one course.     **Integrated student support:**   * **No remedials**. All students take content-rich, credit-based courses no matter what they scored on the CUNY placement test. * Professors’ and SSAs’ offices are organized together by cohort for one-stop advising. * Professors and SSA meet weekly to **track student progress**. Students are alerted early if they are in danger of failing or academic probation. * **Flexible scheduling** either helps students take their time to graduate, or increases the likelihood of graduating in 2-3 years. * Each semester is divided into Part 1 and Part 2. Students in danger of failing classes in Part 1 make credits up in Part 2. Students in good academic standing can earn credits in Part 2 to fast track their graduation. |
| Might need that extra push the first year of college?  Appreciates working in groups and will help build a supportive campus community?  Is interested in these majors?:   * Business Administration * Health Information Technology * Human Services * Liberal Arts and Sciences * Urban Studies |
| ADMISSIONS/  ELIGIBILITY |
| 74.1 GPA  Apply to CUNY – list NCC  Attend info session  Attend 1 on 1 interview  *No previously college experience* |
| APPLICATION TIMELINE | **KEY INSIDER INFORMATION** |
| NCC opened in Fall 2012 and offers a small, supportive community.  NCC admits very few students: **300 students/year.**  1. Make sure NCC is the **right fit for you** (though be **open minded**)…   * NCC’s first year experience has a **strong focus on group work – more projects are assigned as group work than individual work.** * Faculty, SSAs, & peer mentors offer a high level of individual support. * Cohorts are expected to support their members.   2. Be **on top of your game** to get in…   * The NCC application process has two more steps in addition to the normal CUNY process (MANDATORY information session and MANDATORY 1 on 1 interview). * Complete all steps BY WINTER BREAK for the best chance of getting in. * NCC will email you and invite you to an info session RIGHT AFTER CUNY central receives your app fee. Put a valid email address and cell phone number on your CUNY app. NCC contacts students by email and text. * Bring your calendar to the info session to sign up for the interview on the spot. * Ask questions at the info session and interview - make sure NCC knows you. |
| IDEAL: Steps 1-6 by winter break  CUNY APP  DEADLINES: Feb. 1 for fall  Sept 15 for spring   1. Apply to CUNY. 2. Submit application fee. 3. Receive NCC email to create profile/RSVP for info session. 4. Attend info session. 5. Sign up for 1 on 1 interview at info session (rec.) or online. 6. Attend 1 on 1 interview. 7. Take CUNY placement test. 8. Receive acceptance & formally accept offer. 9. Immunization paperwork. 10. Attend orientation. 11. Submit commitment deposit. 12. Complete Summer Bridge. |
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| HOME:  <http://ncc.cuny.edu/index.html>  ADMISSIONS: http://www.ncc.cuny.edu/admissions.html  INFO SESSION REGISTRATION:  <https://cunyncc.askadmissions.net/Portal/EI/GroupUrl?gid=530459a8fceee84e174b2f8a09828288ebd8dd>  SUMMER BRIDGE VIDEO:  <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fMbpr9TWShg&list=UUqxVTVharDQQVjV_L2dUC9Q&index=1&feature=plcp>  FIRST YEAR INFO:  http://www.ncc.cuny.edu/academics/firstyearoverview.html | 1. **How do I know if NCC is right for me?**  * Do your research online, ask questions at the info session and your interview, and don’t be afraid to follow up with admissions later if you still have questions. * You should really want to be at NCC. They are trying to build a different kind of two-year college and believe in strong community.  1. **What makes NCC new and different from other 2-year colleges?**  * NCC is based on research that says first year students do better in learning communities and with group assignements. * NCC builds student support into pretty much every aspect of campus life. This is to overcome the drastically low graduation rates of community college students at CUNY – just 11% graduate in 3 years.  1. **Why aren’t there more majors? What if NCC doesn’t have my major?**  * Research finds that less options actually builds more structure and leads to students being more focused and accomplished in their chosen major. * Call admissions if you don’t see “your major”. So many students change their mind. NCC is a great opportunity worth checking into more deeply.  1. How do I stay on top of the application steps and deadlines?  * Put a valid email address on your CUNY app and check it closely. * After submitting your application fee, NCC will contact you to set up an online profile and RSVP for an info session. * Create an NCC profile - they will assign you a username and password that you can change to your CUNY Portal username and password. Include a cell number. * NCC will send you and email and text reminder just before your info session date. * You can sign up for the 1 on 1 interview at the info session. Or, NCC will email you the next day if you need time to think and talk to your family.  1. NCC does not have a testing center yet, where should I take my placement test?  * Hunter.  1. Why do I have to take the placement test if there are no remedials?  * NCC offers different math classes depending on how students score, but all are for credit and count towards your major.  1. What is Summer Bridge like?  * 12 days: Aug 19-Sept 4. Metrocards provided, $300 stipend, and $8/day for lunch. * Hands-on group projects using the city as a classroom that incorporate skills every college student needs to master!  1. NCC is supposed to contact me but I haven’t heard anything, what should I do?  * Check your spam folder – sometimes college emails go there. * You should get an email two days after CUNY central receives your application fee. If you have not heard from NCC contact them! |
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