

A photograph of three diverse young adults standing outdoors in a wooded area. On the left, a Black woman with glasses and a pink top is speaking and gesturing with her hands. In the center, a Black man in a blue polo shirt is smiling. On the right, a young woman with long dark hair in a green top is listening. The background is a soft-focus green forest.

MERCY COLLEGE

CSTEP
COLLEGIATE SCIENCE &
TECHNOLOGY ENTRY PROGRAM

CSTEP QUALIFYING PROFESSIONS

Students must be interested in pursuing one of the following professions:

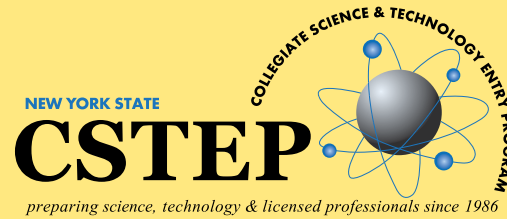
- **ACUPUNCTURE**
- **ARCHITECTURE**
- **ATHLETIC TRAINING**
- **AUDIOLOGY**
- **CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTING**
- **CHIROPRACTIC**
- **DENTISTRY:**
 - Dentists*
 - Dental Anesthesia/Sedation*
 - Dental Hygienists*
 - Certified Dental Assistants*
- **DIETETICS-NUTRITION**
- **ENGINEERING**
- **INTERIOR DESIGN**
- **LAND SURVEYING**
- **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**
- **MASSAGE THERAPY**
- **MEDICAL PHYSICS**
- **EDUCATION**
- **SECONDARY EDUCATION:**
 - Mathematics Teacher*
 - Science Teacher*
 - Law Teacher*
- **MEDICINE**
- **PHYSICIANS:**
 - Physicians, 3-year limited license*
 - Physician Assistants*
 - Specialist Assistants*
- **MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS:**
 - Creative Arts Therapy*
 - Marriage and Family Therapy*
 - Mental Health Counseling*
 - Psychoanalysis*
- **MIDWIFERY**
- **NURSING:**
 - Registered Professional Nurses*
 - Nurse Practitioners*
 - Licensed Practical Nurses*
- **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY:**
 - Occupational Therapists*
 - Occupational Therapy Assistants*
- **OPHTHALMIC DISPENSING**
- **OPTOMETRY**
- **PHARMACY:**
 - Pharmacists*
 - Pharmacy Establishments*
- **PHYSICAL THERAPY:**
 - Physical Therapists*
 - Physical Therapist Assistants*
- **PODIATRY**
- **PSYCHOLOGY**
- **PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY:**
 - Certified Public Accountants*
 - Public Accountants*
- **RESPIRATORY THERAPY:**
 - Respiratory Therapists*
 - Respiratory Therapy Technicians*
- **SOCIAL WORK**
- **SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**
- **VETERINARY MEDICINE:**
 - Veterinarian*
 - Veterinary Technician*



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21st Annual Statewide Student
Conference Oral Presentations**

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW



The purpose of **CSTEP** is to increase the number of historically underrepresented students who complete their coursework and go on to pursue careers in science, math, technology, the health professions and other licensed professional careers.

■ **CSTEP** students become a part of a state-wide network of students, faculty, staff, professionals and government officials who are committed to ensuring that program participants have the support they need to meet their goals and realize their dreams.

■ **CSTEP** provides academic enrichment, research experience, supportive skill - building workshops and programs, and assistance in preparing for standardized exams and identifying and securing various internship and scholarship opportunities.

■ **CSTEP** sponsors trips to various graduate and medical school open houses, to college and graduate school fairs, to on- and off-campus 'events', and to state and national professional conferences.

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN

■ ADVOCACY

As a CSTEP student, you automatically have a team of supporters who will assist fostering your passion in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) to encourage you to take advantage of every opportunity and resource available.

■ ADVISING

In addition to your academic advisor, CSTEP students get supplemental advisement on; what courses they should be taking to prepare for graduate/professional/medical/law school, the various internships and research opportunities, financial aid process for graduate school, and preparation material for GRE/LSAT/MCAT/GMAT graduate examinations.

■ NETWORKING

CSTEP is designed to afford students the opportunity to meet and build relationships with licensed professionals in CSTEP fields. Potentially, these professionals can serve as mentors, write recommendation letters and provide internship opportunities. In CSTEP, not only is it what you know— it's also whom you know.

NYSED liaison with Director & Assistant Director of CSTEP at Annual CSTEP Conference



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The CSTEP Program at Mercy College provides several program services to active participants. Here are some of the ways that CSTEP can help you:

- Pre-Freshman/Transfer Summer Program
- Graduate/Professional School Trip
- Academic and Career Advising
- Tuition Remission for Summer Course
- Funding Opportunities to Attend State and National Professional Conference
- Educational Workshops
- Assistance with Graduate/Professional School Applications
- Internship and Research Opportunities
- Textbook and Laptop/Tablet Loan Program
- CSTEP Kaplan Scholarship

ADMISSION CRITERIA

To be eligible for CSTEP you must be:

- Pursuing a licensed profession, health-related profession, a career in Science, Technological, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM), or CSTEP targeted professions
- US citizen or Permanent Resident
- A New York State resident
- African-American, Latino/Hispanic American, Alaskan Native, Native American OR economically disadvantaged as defined by New York State income guidelines
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5

NOTE: No more than 20 percent of students enrolled in the HEOP are eligible to participate in CSTEP.

APPLICATION PROCESS

CSTEP is always accepting applications. Applications are reviewed to determine eligibility. Eligible students are required to have a personal interview in order to be accepted into the program. Once the application is submitted and the personal interview has taken place you will receive a notice of the decision within 7 business days from the date of your personal interview.

APPLY NOW

Apply online at www.mercy.edu/academics/cstep/cstep-eligibility or stop by one of our offices to pick up an application.



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