## **ADMISSIONS**

Consistent with its mission and traditions, Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies welcomes inquiries and applications from men and women who wish to begin or resume their undergraduate degree study primarily through evening, weekend, and online courses, and usually on a part-time basis in light of their career and/or family responsibilities. A candidate applying for admission to Fordham University directly from high school will generally be referred to the full-time day colleges of the University.

Admission requirements are as follows:

- 1. Submission of a completed application for admission.
- Candidates meet with an admissions representative at the campus of their choice to discuss the program.
- 3. A brief College Skills Assessment examination is intended to ensure that all accepted students have the requisite skills for success in a challenging university program. The assessment often identifies areas in need of improvement, and some candidates are admitted on condition that they attend to them early in their Fordham careers. The assessment can be waived in cases where, in the judgment of the admission officer, sufficient skills have been demonstrated in other ways—for example, through recent performance at another accredited university.
- All applicants must submit documentation of the highest educational level at which they have studied. Therefore:
  - Applicants who have prior college experience must request that an official transcript be sent to Fordham.
  - Applicants who have not attended college must submit or present evidence of having graduated from high school (official transcript or original diploma) or having earned a General Equivalency Diploma. Applicants can present the actual certificate or request that the NYS Education Department send an official GED score report to Fordham by calling 518-474-5906.
  - Applicants who are unable to provide documentation in a timely manner may, at the discretion of the admission officer, and based on their performance in the College Skills Assessment, be admitted conditionally for their first term of study. Further registration for courses will not be permitted, however, until the required documentation is submitted.
- Applicants may, if they wish, submit other information relevant to their candidacy, such as educational achievements outside formal academic settings, community activities, employment history, and the like.

Rather than using rigid cutoff scores or other predetermined criteria, the admission committee evaluates each application individually. An effort is made to assess ability, previous achievement, motivation, and maturity of purpose, all of which are essential to success in university studies.

An admission decision and evaluation of transfer credits will be issued as soon as possible after the review of submitted materials and the interview.

Students may apply for admission for either the fall or spring terms. When admitted, they will be invited to an orientation program for new students and will be assisted in their selection of classes.

Individuals who do not intend to pursue a degree can be admitted to enable them to attend the specific courses of their choice, or to complete

the courses required for one of several certificate programs that the College offers.

For further information or to schedule an admission consultation, candidates should call the Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies admissions office at the campus of their choice:

Lincoln Center. 212-636-7333 Rose Hill: 718-817-2600 Westchester. 914-367-3302

Information is also available at https://www.fordham.edu/pcs.

## **Applicants for Readmission**

Students not in attendance for a semester or more, and not on an official leave of absence, must be readmitted before they can register for classes.

For more information, contact the PCS office at the campus you will be attending.