Financial Aid and Scholarships

Financial aid is available for both full- and part-time students. For purposes of financial aid, students who take 12 or more credits in both the fall and spring semesters are considered full-time students. The Office of Student Financial Services on each campus assists students in identifying programs of grants, scholarships, and loans with which to fund part of their education. They also assist with the application process for Federal Pell Grants, New York State’s Tuition Assistance Plan (TAP), Aid to Part-Time Students (APTS), the Stafford Student Loan, and the SLS Loan and can provide information on the Lifetime Learning Credit.

In addition to the availability of these aid and loan programs, Fordham is one of the few universities which offers grant and scholarship funds from its own resources to assist adult learners. In Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies, students can qualify for:

**Dean’s Scholarships** of $3,500 annually, for newly admitted students whose prior records and/or performance in the admissions skills assessment demonstrate outstanding promise. Scholarships are renewable for up to five years, assuming a B average in at least four courses per year.

**Achievement Awards** of $3,500 based on class rank for the preceding academic year during which the student completed a total of at least 12 credits.

**University Grants-in-Aid** ranging from $1,500 to $3,800 annually, based primarily on financial need.

**Public Service Grants** provide a tuition reduction of 25 percent for all uniformed and civilian employees of the New York City Police Department; for all uniformed and civilian employees of the New York City Fire Department; and for all employees of Westchester County (including the Medical Center) or municipalities within the county.

**Dancer Discount Program** provides a 33 percent discount to full-time professional dancers.

**The Ully Hirsch Scholarship** is awarded annually to a student until degree completion who maintains academic excellence by achieving a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA after earning at least 24 credits. Information about applications is posted in early spring for the award in the next academic year.

**The Tognino Family Scholarship**, established by John N. Tognino, PCS ’75, provides a scholarship award to a business or economics major in the School of Professional and Continuing Studies who demonstrates good academic achievement and financial need. Applications are available each spring.

**The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation Scholarships** are awarded to women students who are age 25 or over, have earned at least 60 credits with a 3.0 cumulative GPA, and who show financial need. Applications are available in late spring.

**The Morton J. Levy Scholarship** is awarded annually until degree completion to a student who has demonstrated academic excellence by achieving a 3.0 GPA after earning at least 24 credits and who has demonstrated financial need. Preference is given to adult, nontraditional male students. Information about applications is posted in early spring for the award in the next academic year.