

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Weekly Newsletter

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SCHOLARSHIPS AND PAYING FOR NEXT SEMESTER!

As you start planning for next semester, and enrolling in classes, it is also important to make sure that you have a plan to pay for your classes. Take advantage of the opportunities available to you at MassBay and Apply for Scholarships!!



Apply if you have never applied before!

Below we will walk you through some of steps and tricks to applying:

Steps:

- 1. Enroll in Spring Classes- you need to be enrolled for the spring in order to apply!
- Open our Scholarship Applications: <u>https://massbay.academicworks.com/</u>
- Sign In using your same MassBay Username (do not include "@massbay.edu") and Password used for One Login/Blackboard/ BayNavigator
- 4. Complete a General Application!
 - a. Once you log-in, you will be taken to the General Application, complete that first! Be thorough and don't sell yourself short.
 - b. Once you're finished with the General Application, the system will pull up the specific scholarships that you should qualify for, but you can also review the entire list of scholarships and look for more.
- 5. Review the Criteria and Complete Supplemental Questions for Individual Scholarships
 - a. Your Essay Response (these are short essays, usually only 250-300 words) should carefully answer the specific question
 - for each scholarship.
- 6. Enroll in Spring 2021 classes by 12/31, your application won't count unless you are enrolled by the deadline!

Improve Your Scholarship Application:

- 1. Read the essay question carefully! Some scholarships ask different questions, so make sure you answer the question specifically.
- 2. Tell your story! The essay is the best way to make a connection with the application reviewer.
- 3. Don't worry about your grammar and spelling. Do your best but don't let anxiety get in your way.
- 4. Attend the next Strong Foundation Series: <u>Applying for Spring</u> <u>Scholarships on Tuesday at 1pm</u>
- 5. Questions? Send an email to foundation@massbay.edu

Other Funding Sources:

SGA Textbook Fund:

Every Semester SGA offers a small amount of funding to students to help cover the costs of the textbooks and course materials. Students who receive funding are awarded a credit to the MassBay Bookstore which can be used



to purchase textbooks directly from their website. This year, SGA is able to open the Textbook Fund for both the Winter Intersession and Spring Semester and students are able to apply for both! Students will receive an email when the application opens, but you can also find the application here:

Winter Intersession

- Application will open on Monday, December 14th and will close on December 23rd
- Students will be notified before classes begin on January 4th
- Spring Semester
 - Application will open on Monday, December 28th and will close when funding has been awarded.
 - Students will be notified no later than Friday, January 22nd



Library Newsletter:

The latest issue of the Massbay Library Newsletter is now available. Learn how the Library can help you as you wrap up your semester, and beyond!

https://massbay.libguides.com/newsletter/ fall2020

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