

# GET READY FOR GRAD SCHOOL

The Pipeline Program is a CUNY-wide initiative designed to provide educational and financial support to CUNY undergraduates from groups currently underrepresented in our nation's universities who are interested in pursuing a Ph.D. in preparation for college-level teaching and advanced research.

## HOW DO WE DO THIS?

**Pipeline Summer Institute (PSI)** - The Pipeline Program provides orientation to the world of graduate education through a six-week summer institute at the CUNY Graduate Center. In the summer institute, fellows take a research seminar in either the social sciences or the humanities designed to introduce them to graduate-level work and research skills. They also take courses on critical thinking and writing, Grad School 101, and intensive GRE preparation. An important outcome of the PSI is the drafting of a research statement and writing samples that form the foundation of later activities.

**Monthly Colloquia** - In the fall and spring semesters, fellows attend monthly colloquia at the Graduate Center focused on the graduate admissions process. They also work in small peer mentoring groups led by MAGNET fellows (these fellows are Graduate Center doctoral students who are also from underrepresented groups). We try to provide as much overlap between the academic discipline of the Pipeline students and MAGNET mentors.

**Research Project** - Research and scholarly writing is the foundation of any graduate school application. Pipeline students conduct a research project directed by a CUNY faculty mentor (chosen by the student). A 3-day writing workshop in January along with guidance from MAGNET mentors will assist fellows with this work.

**Research Conference** - An important focus of the spring colloquia sessions is to help students prepare to present their research in a conference setting. Pipeline students report on their research project at the annual CUNY Pipeline Conference held at the Graduate Center in late spring and submit a thesis based on this research at the end of the academic year.

**Supportive Environment** - Everyone involved with the Pipeline Program (faculty, staff, mentors, and your fellow students) is dedicated to providing a safe, fun, intellectually stimulating, and caring environment. We spend a lot of time together and due to a relatively small cohort we really get to know each other and grow to care about each other as scholars and as human beings.

**Funding** - Pipeline fellows receive stipend payments totaling about \$7,000 throughout the course of the program as they complete certain milestones.

## HOW TO APPLY

Applications are completed online and are accepted from late fall to early spring for the Pipeline Cohort that starts in Summer. **Deadline is January 15, 2018.**

You'll be required to provide:

- 2 essays (topics can be found on website)
- CV or resumé
- Contact info for your faculty mentor
- Official college transcript
- At least 2 letters of recommendation (one from your faculty mentor)

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