



Opportunities in Research and Creative Arts (ORCA) Program at City College of New York

ORCA — Opportunities in Research and Creative Arts — is a CCNY program that seeks to engage students in exciting and cutting-edge work being done at City College.

Students interested in the program are invited to contact faculty at City College to develop proposals for a summer immersion experience. A roster of participating faculty members can be found on the ORCA web page <https://www.ccnycuny.edu/engagement/orca>, but students can also seek out faculty mentors with whom they can work.

Students' proposals, developed in consultation with the faculty mentor, should include a description (of no longer than 250 words) of the project that the student will undertake, and a budget of up to \$3,500 for the project. This budget may include a stipend of up to \$3,000 for the student (20 hours/week @ \$300/week, up to 10 weeks), as well as an itemized budget for expenses that are essential to the success of the project, such as supplies or travel. Students will present their research or creative arts project in the form of a poster, web-page, or video presentation at a symposium in the fall.

How to Apply

Choice of Mentor:

Applicants should seek a faculty mentor and develop a project. Priority will be given to those students who have selected a faculty mentor.

Eligibility:

Undergraduates at any point in their studies who have completed their first year (or equivalent), have a CCNY grade point average of at least 3.0, and will be enrolled at City College in Summer or Fall 2017 are eligible for the summer ORCA program.

Deadline: April 30, 2017

Required documents:

- 1) Completed electronic cover sheet.
- 2) Copy of your unofficial transcript, with an official transcript supplied on acceptance.
- 3) Brief description of experience relevant to the project, career goals, and reasons for applying to the ORCA program (150 words).
- 4) Provide a short description of the proposed work (only if already affiliated with a mentor; 250 words).
- 5) An optional 1-page letter of support from the faculty mentor, indicating his or her willingness to supervise the project.

Applications should be submitted to orcaproject@ccny.cuny.edu. Late or incomplete applications or those that do not conform to the guidelines will not be considered. *NOTE: It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain the optional letter of support and ensure that the faculty member submits the letter by the deadline.*

Application for the 2017 ORCA Program Cover Sheet

First Name:

Last Name:

CCNY School or Division:

Class standing: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Overall City College GPA:

Email:

Phone:

Demographic information (optional):

- Male Female Other
- American Indian of Native Alaskan Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black, Non-Hispanic Hispanic, Other White, Non-Hispanic

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Mentor (if selected):

Mentor choice (if not already selected):

First choice:

Second choice:

Third choice:

Brief description of experience relevant to the project, career goals, and reasons for applying to the ORCA program (150 words).

Provide of a short summary of the proposed work (complete only if already affiliated with a mentor).