



2024

LIPA Community College Scholarship



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The Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) is the third-largest public power utility in the United States, serving 1.2 million customers on Long Island and the Rockaway Peninsula in Queens.

LIPA's purpose is to serve our customers and community by providing clean, reliable, and affordable energy to Long Island and the Rockaways. As a not-for-profit utility, LIPA is a value-driven organization that puts our customers first in every action and decision.

LIPA is the owner of the electrical transmission and distribution system serving our community; however, we contract for most of the management services and power supply used to operate our electric grid. Since 2014, LIPA has contracted with PSEG Long Island for management services, and LIPA provides service to customers under the PSEG Long Island brand name.

The LIPA [Board of Trustees](#) contracts with vendors; sets policy, strategy, and performance metrics for PSEG Long Island's service to our customers; finances the infrastructure investments necessary for a reliable electric grid; and leads Long Island's transition to a clean energy future.

OUR VISION

LIPA's vision is to be our customers' trusted energy partner by:

- Actively engaging with our customers and the communities we serve.
- Responding to our customers' needs and exceeding their expectations.
- Being a recognized innovator in our industry to better serve our customers.
- Being known as a steward of our environment and community.



FAST FACTS

Number of Customers	1.2 million
Energy Requirements	19,884,053 megawatt-hours
Generating Capacity	5,800 megawatts
Transmission System	1,400 miles
Distribution System	14,000 miles



John Rhodes
Acting Chief Executive Officer, LIPA
Hofstra University Energizing Our Future Event

Dear applicants,

Thank you for your interest in LIPA's Community College Scholarship.

LIPA's Scholarship aims to provide graduating high school students with the opportunity to become part of our region's electric utility industry and clean energy economy. It is an exciting time to enter this industry, with many different career paths. As New York transitions away from fossil fuels and towards a carbon-free electric grid, the demand for skilled workers will continue to increase.

LIPA continues to invest in innovative clean energy projects, including solar power, energy storage, and offshore wind. LIPA is also empowering customers to heat and cool their homes and businesses without the use of fossil fuels and to transition to zero-emission transportation such as electric vehicles.

With these clean energy initiatives, LIPA's carbon emissions will decrease 72% by 2030 and 100% by 2040. The success of this transition will depend on the help of talented individuals like you!

On behalf of LIPA and our Board of Trustees, we are proud to support you and the steps you are taking to further your education and career.

Sincerely,

John Rhodes
Acting Chief Executive Officer



The LIPA Community College Scholarship seeks to attract local talent to meet the needs of our clean energy future and to ensure our workforce represents all the communities we serve.

LIPA's Scholarship provides tuition, fees, and books to attend Nassau Community College or Suffolk County Community College to students seeking education and training in careers related to the electric utility industry.

Applicants must reside in specified underserved communities on Long Island and the Rockaways and have a gross household income below the area median income (approximately \$100,000 for a family of four), as further described in the *Scholarship Eligibility Criteria*.

Awardees of LIPA's Scholarship will have the opportunity to:

- Obtain a full scholarship toward an associate degree or certificate program at either Nassau Community College or Suffolk County Community College.
- Attend LIPA Workforce Seminars with utility executives and subject matter experts.
- Upon successful completion of the program, awardees are encouraged to apply to open positions at LIPA, PSEG Long Island, and other LIPA contractors, suppliers, and qualified applicants who are identified as scholarship awardees will receive an opportunity to be considered for available positions.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College is the State University of New York system's largest community college, enrolling more than 20,000 for-credit students and over 7,500 non-credit students. The College offers more than 100 degree and certificate program options is comprised of three campuses and two downtown centers: The Ammerman Campus in Selden, Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood, Eastern Campus in Riverhead, and downtown centers in Riverhead and Sayville.

About Nassau Community College

Nassau Community College, a campus of the State University of New York, provides a comprehensive public college experience designed to transform lives through higher education. Serving 14,000 full-time, part-time, and continuing education students, NCC offers more than 80 programs that lead to an associate degree or certificate. Through on-campus and online offerings, the College educates local and international students, and boasts 168,000 alumni. Since 1959, NCC has earned a nationwide reputation for academic excellence, affordability, and ease of transferability to four-year schools.

The LIPA Community College Scholarship will fully fund tuition and college fees for full-time students for two years, leading to an associate degree or certificate from either Nassau Community College or Suffolk County Community College. The Scholarship will be awarded to ten eligible recipients per year and is available only to full-time students. A student is considered as full-time if they are enrolled for at least 12 credits during the fall and spring semesters.

Tuition and college fees will be granted directly to the student's academic institution on their behalf before the upcoming semester. Each scholarship recipient will also receive \$500 per semester for books and associated academic expenses. The LIPA Scholarship can be supplemental to other financial aid and shall not exceed the cost of tuition, fees, and a book stipend.

The LIPA Scholarship is open to income-eligible high school graduates who reside in an *Eligible Community*. A list of eligible courses of study and certificates can be found under Eligible Associate Degree and Certificate Programs.

A LIPA Selection Committee will review qualified and completed applications, consult with applicants' colleges, and notify awardees. To remain eligible for the LIPA Scholarship, awardees are expected to maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher and participate in LIPA Workforce Seminars.

Eligible Communities¹

Residents of the following communities served by LIPA are eligible for the LIPA Scholarship:

Nassau County

Westbury Village, New Cassel, Elmont, Hempstead Village, Uniondale, East Meadow, Valley Stream Village, South Valley Stream, Inwood, Oceanside, Roosevelt, Long Beach City, Glen Cove City, and East Massapequa.

Suffolk County

Huntington Station, East Farmingdale, Wyandanch, West Babylon, North Amityville, Copiague, Lindenhurst Village, Brentwood, Islandia Village, Bay Shore, North Bay Shore, Central Islip, Ridge, Patchogue Village, Yaphank, Shirley, Mastic, Calverton, Flanders, and Westhampton Beach Village.

Queens County

The Rockaways.

¹ The eligible Disadvantaged Communities are identified by the Climate Justice Working Group under the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act. For more information, visit <https://climate.ny.gov/Resources/Disadvantaged-Communities-Criteria>.

Eligible Associate Degrees and Certificate Programs

The LIPA Community College Scholarship is available for selected students enrolling in the eligible two-year degree or certificate programs listed below:



Nassau Community College Eligible Courses of Study and Certificates:

- [Civil Engineering Technology \(AAS\)](#)
- [Cybersecurity Certificate](#)
- [Cybersecurity AS](#)
- [Electrical Engineering Technology \(AAS\)](#)
- [Emergency Management \(AS\)](#)
- [Engineering Science \(AS\)](#)
- [Information Technology \(AAS\)](#)
- [Information Technology \(Certificate\)](#)
- [Sustainable Design & Renewable Energy \(Certificate\)](#)



Suffolk County Community College Eligible Courses of Study and Certificates:

- [Cybersecurity and Information Assurance \(AAS\)](#)
- [Engineering Science \(AS\)](#)
- [Electrical Technology - Electronics \(AAS\)](#)
- [Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology \(AAS\)](#)
- [Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology \(Certificate\)](#)
- [Information Technology - Network Design and Administration \(AAS\)](#)
- [Information Technology - Network Design and Administration \(Certificate\)](#)

Estimated Scholarship Award for 2024

For 2024, the LIPA Scholarship includes:

Nassau Community College Costs

- County Resident Tuition: \$2,900.00 per semester or \$5,800.00 annually
- College Fees: To be determined by Nassau Community College
- Books and Associated Expenses: \$500.00 per semester or \$1,000.00 annually
- **Total LIPA Scholarship Award:** \$3,400.00 for tuition plus associated fees determined by college and books and associated expenses per semester or approximately \$7,000 annually

Suffolk County Community College Costs

- County Resident Tuition: \$2,735.00 per semester or \$5,470.00 annually
- College Fees: To be determined by Suffolk County Community College
- Books and Associated Expenses: \$500.00 per semester or \$1,000.00 annually
- **Total LIPA Scholarship Award:** \$3,235.00 for tuition plus associated fees determined by college and books and associated expenses per semester or approximately \$6,700 annually

* Estimates are not final and are subject to change

Selection Criteria

LIPA Community College Scholarship awards will be based on a combination of proven academic achievement and a commitment on the part of the applicants to their chosen fields, best demonstrated by pursuing a designated and qualifying degree or certificate program.

In addition to the Scholarship Eligibility Requirements, students will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Goals for and aspirations in the electric or clean energy industry
- Motivation to succeed
- Service to your community and school
- Academic performance
- Required essay

Scholarship Awardees will be required to periodically provide LIPA with relevant information including courses taken, semester and cumulative grade point average, expected graduation date, expected degree, internships, and post-graduate employment.

The LIPA Community College Scholarship is maintained and administered by the LIPA Scholarship Committee, which in cooperation with and upon recommendation of Nassau Community College and Suffolk County Community College, has full discretion to make final decisions concerning the number of scholarships awarded each year, the amounts awarded, and the recipients of each of the scholarships. The LIPA Scholarship Committee shall also have full discretion in deciding whether a scholarship is to be continued or deferred for any period.

How to Apply

If you are interested in applying for the LIPA Community College Scholarship, here's how you can apply:

- ✓ Visit lipower.org/scholarship or scan the QR code below to download the application
- ✓ Read application and eligibility requirements
- ✓ Complete the application and email all required materials to lipascholarship@lipower.org

For the application and additional information requirements, please visit lipower.org/scholarship. For questions about LIPA's Scholarship, please contact LIPA at 516-222-9135.

** If you are unable to apply online, you may request a paper copy of the application.*



Name of Student

First Name

Last Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

High School and Date of Graduation

High School Grade Point Average

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name (and address if different)

Student's Activities, Clubs, Sports

(Please attach additional documents as needed)

Student’s Community Service

(Please attach additional documents as needed)

Student’s Career/Work Experience

(Please attach additional documents as needed)

Student’s Chosen or Anticipated Degree or Certificate Program

Additional Requirements

*** Please ensure that your application is complete with all required materials:**

- ✓ High School Transcript sent by High School Principal or Guidance Counselor
- ✓ Required essay:
 - Describe why you are interested in a career in the electric utility or clean energy industry, what activities and life experiences have influenced this decision, and how you believe your career choice will have a positive impact to Long Island and the Rockaways.
- ✓ Verification of School Activities, Clubs, Sports, and Community Service

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

(if student is under 18-years old)

Date of Signature




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