JONAS E. SALK SCHOLARSHIPS

The Jonas E. Salk Scholarships were created by the Board of Estimate of the City of New York in 1955 to honor the City College graduate who developed the first anti-polio vaccine. They are awarded annually to eight graduates of the senior colleges of The City University of New York who have demonstrated sound character, outstanding scholarship and the promise of significant contribution to medical research. The scholarship winners receive a total of $8,000* ($2,000 per year for four-year medical schools) to help defray the expenses of study for the M.D., Ph.D. or D.Sc in Biomedical Sciences or D.O. degree.

*Subject to approval of the CUNY Board of Trustees

Salk Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

Undergraduates and recent graduates (2014) of the senior colleges of The City University of New York who have received an acceptance for admission in September 2015 to the first year of an American university in pursuit of the M.D., Ph.D or D.Sc. in Biomedical Sciences, or D.O. degree are eligible for nomination.

No student who is currently matriculated in a medical school is deemed eligible for nomination.

For purposes of eligibility for the Salk Scholarship Award, undergraduates and graduates of the senior colleges of The City University of New York are those students who are baccalaureate degree candidates* or who have received a baccalaureate degree from a college of The City University of New York. Second-degree students who have not received a degree from a CUNY college are not eligible for this award.

* A degree candidate is defined as an individual who is in his/her final year and will complete all requirements for a degree prior to registration to medical school.