



STEM Scholars Program

Frequently Asked Questions



1. Is this program only for minorities?

No. Any financially needy individual may apply. However, underrepresented populations such as minorities, women and the disabled are encouraged to apply.

2. Do I have to be a recent high school graduate to participate in the program?

No. To participate in his Scholarship Program you do not need to be a recent high school graduate. Returning students and older students are both eligible for the Scholars Program.

3. If I am a recent high school graduate must I have graduated in the top 20% of my class?

No. The STEM scholarship student can be anyone who qualifies financially and meets the academic criteria.

4. I am an independent student. Do I have to fill out the FAFSA form and other financial aid documents?

Yes. All participants in the STEM Scholars Program must fill out the appropriate federal and state documents for financial aid.

5. Do I have to major in a field in science, technology, engineering or mathematics?

Yes. To participate in this program you must major in a STEM discipline, graduate and either seek employment in a STEM industry or transfer into a STEM baccalaureate program.

6. Do I have to participate in a transfer program?

No. You can matriculate in a STEM career program and seek employment upon graduation.



7. Is full-time enrollment required to participate in this program?

Yes. All students must be enrolled on a full-time basis.

8. What is the minimum number of credits required for full-time status?

You must enroll in 12 credits to be considered a full-time student.

9. What happens if I drop a class and fall below the 12 credits?

You must enroll in the dropped class and successfully complete it within the next semester (fall or spring).

10. Will I lose the scholarship if my GPA falls below a 2.75?

You will receive a warning letter that informs you that you have one semester to bring the GPA up to a minimum of 2.75. If you do not comply with this requirement you will lose the scholarship.

11. Can I join the program if I already have College credits?

Yes. However, once you join the STEM Scholars Program you must comply with all rules and regulations.

12. Can I join the program if I already have a college degree?

Yes. However selection priority is given to individuals earning their first degree.

13. Can I transfer my STEM scholarship to another institution?

No. STEM is only available at Camden County College.

14. Can I appeal the loss of my STEM scholarship?

Yes. An appeal can be made to based on severe circumstances such as a medical condition. However, in no case will funds be made available after the spring semester 2011.

15. Can I take a leave-of-absence and retain my STEM scholarship?

No. Leave of absences are not granted, except for extreme circumstances.



- 16. Can I receive other financial aid in addition to my STEM scholarship?**
Yes. Funding from STEM can be combined with other financial awards.
- 17. What are the STEM academic admission standards?**
STEM students must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA.
- 18. Can I enter the STEM program if I am already enrolled as a CCC student?**
Yes, current Camden County students are eligible for this grant.
- 19. Am I required to be a Camden County resident to be eligible for the STEM program?**
No, all students must be students at Camden County College.

