

# COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND



**CUNY  
VALUE  
PLUS**

# VALUE



# NATIONAL ACCOLADES

*from the past few years include*

**Washington Monthly**

ONE OF THE NATION'S "BEST-BANG-FOR-THE-BUCK COLLEGES"

**Forbes**

ONE OF "AMERICA'S TOP COLLEGES"

**Money Magazine**

"BEST COLLEGES," RANKED THIRD IN NEW YORK STATE

**U.S. News & World Report**

"BEST COLLEGES"

**G.I. Jobs Magazine**

TOP "MILITARY-FRIENDLY SCHOOL"

**PayScale College Salary Report**

TOP 15% NATIONWIDE FOR ALUMNI SALARY POTENTIAL

**CollegeNET**

SIXTH IN NATION ON "SOCIAL MOBILITY INDEX"

**Business Insider**

TOP INSTITUTION IN NEW YORK STATE

**Time Magazine**

48TH IN COUNTRY



# SMART DESTINATION

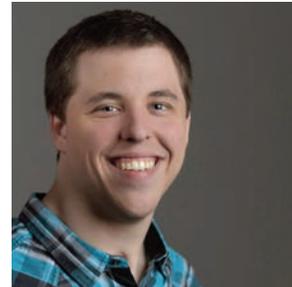
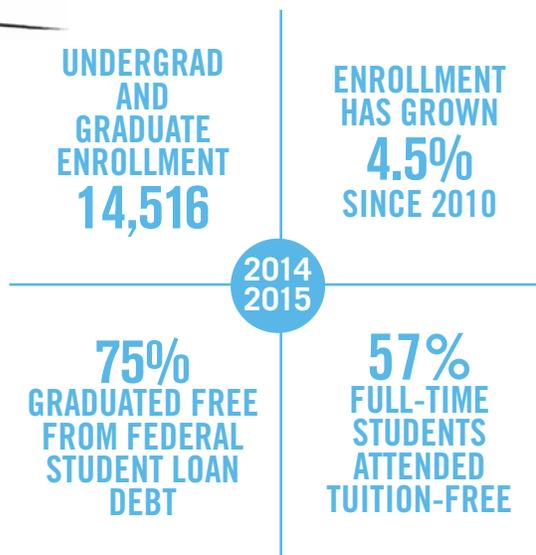


For the last 59 years, the College of Staten Island, and its predecessor institutions, Staten Island Community College and Richmond College, have been making a positive impact. As our proud legacy advances, we are attracting national attention in “Best of” lists in publications such as *U.S. News & World Report*, *Money*, and *Forbes*.

Many of these rankings attest to the great value of a CSI degree. Our students receive an exceptional, yet very affordable, education, earning associate’s to doctoral degrees taught by outstanding faculty. The College’s mix of arts programs and performances, athletic activities, residence life programs, and community service opportunities complements a high-quality academic program, enhancing our already impressive value for the dollar. Bolstered by this increased national recognition and our uniqueness as a 204-acre suburban campus in New York City, our goal is to define CSI as the destination campus for some of the best students within the borough, in the State, throughout the nation, and across the globe to achieve academic success.

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William J. Fritz, PhD  
President



SEAN THATCHER '17  
HIS STORY

Sean and a classmate discovered unexpected geological structures in exposed Palisades rock at a New Jersey construction site that his class visited because it was wheelchair accessible – a must for Thatcher, who is quadriplegic. “I don’t let the wheelchair slow me down,” says Thatcher, a Biology major with The Verrazano School Honors Program who is interested in natural development and protection of coastal areas.

AWARDS

- 2015 Goldwater Scholar
- 2015 CUNY Pipeline Fellowship

GOAL

To develop expertise in protecting and enhancing coastal ecosystems, which face damage from human activity, climate change, and storms.



# VALUE

CUNY's affordable tuition is part of a successful, long-term financial partnership between the University, State and City governments, philanthropists, alumni, and students. CSI's commitment to value and student success is evidenced in our national ranking portfolio, and showcased daily as we bring lifelong opportunities to our students to help them pursue their educational, professional, financial, and personal goals.

## AVERAGE FULL-TIME TUITION AND FEES

Public four-year university systems and private metro NY institutions

### Institutions of interest to Staten Island

<b>COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND</b>	<b>\$ 6,446</b>
<b>SUNY</b>	<b>\$ 7,551</b>
<b>Wagner College</b>	<b>\$42,480</b>
<b>St. John's University (SI)</b>	<b>\$27,905</b>
<b>Touro College (Regional Universities)</b>	<b>\$16,500</b>

### Public Systems outside NYS

<b>Penn State University (Erie)</b>	<b>\$14,588</b>
<b>University of California (Riverside)</b>	<b>\$14,050</b>
<b>University of Virginia</b>	<b>\$14,526</b>
<b>Rutgers University (Newark)</b>	<b>\$13,597</b>
<b>University of Connecticut</b>	<b>\$13,364</b>
<b>Colorado State University (Denver)</b>	<b>\$10,590</b>
<b>University of Maryland (Baltimore)</b>	<b>\$10,036</b>
<b>University of North Texas System (Austin)</b>	<b>\$ 9,830</b>
<b>University of North Carolina (Greensboro)</b>	<b>\$ 6,733</b>
<b>California State University (Long Beach)</b>	<b>\$ 6,452</b>
<b>California State University (Los Angeles)</b>	<b>\$ 6,345</b>

### NYC-area private institutions

<b>Columbia University</b>	<b>\$51,008</b>
<b>New York University</b>	<b>\$46,586</b>
<b>Fordham University</b>	<b>\$45,623</b>
<b>Hofstra University</b>	<b>\$40,460</b>
<b>Pace University</b>	<b>\$41,325</b>
<b>Adelphi University</b>	<b>\$34,034</b>
<b>College of New Rochelle</b>	<b>\$33,600</b>

Institutional data above from usnews.com, as of December 2015.

## Percentage of graduates with FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

Public and private four-year institutions

### Institutions of interest to Staten Island

<b>COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>Wagner College</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>St. John's University</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>Touro College</b>	<b>95%</b>

### Other Public and Private Institutions

<b>University of California (Berkeley)</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>University of Colorado (Denver)</b>	<b>51%</b>
<b>New York University</b>	<b>53%</b>
<b>University of Delaware</b>	<b>58%</b>
<b>Fordham University</b>	<b>62%</b>
<b>Rutgers University (Newark)</b>	<b>65%</b>
<b>Hofstra University</b>	<b>67%</b>
<b>SUNY (Albany)</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Pace University</b>	<b>74%</b>
<b>Adelphi University</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>Southern Connecticut State University</b>	<b>78%</b>
<b>The College of New Rochelle</b>	<b>89%</b>

Institutional data above from 2013-2014, Institute for College Access and Success and U.S. Department of Education.



# SUPPORT & SERVICE

Support for our students and community is a hallmark of CSI. The College sponsors initiatives and events to help our students earn their degrees, and local residents to be better informed and more engaged. CSI students also participate in a wide range of public service opportunities, as groups and as individuals, giving back to the Island and City in return for a high-quality, affordable education.

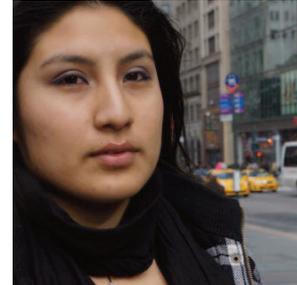
**From 2010 through 2015:**

**5,511 students** had paid internships with **2,607 organizations** in all **5 boroughs**

**395 students** received **\$500,000** in emergency funding, **77 students** received **\$3,000** in MetroCards, and **98 students** received **\$6,400** worth of groceries, thanks to the Carroll and Milton Petrie Foundation.

The CSI Foundation has **raised \$8.3M** in private contributions with **\$5.2M** in scholarships, grants, and other student support awarded based upon merit, need, special interests, and other factors.

■ **30,000 DEGREES** aims to increase civic prosperity and economic development by increasing the total count of residents with bachelor's degrees or higher by the year 2030 ■ **CSI MERRILL** is home to the Office of Continuing Education and Professional Development, which provides industry-recognized workforce development certificates as a viable credential for employment ■ **CSI ST. GEORGE** will offer degree and certificate programs in St. George, and bring a convenient educational experience to tens of thousands of residents across New York City ■ **CENTER FOR THE ARTS** provides world-class facilities, performances, and community events for New York and New Jersey residents ■ **GO TO HIGH GROUND** is a life-saving initiative to protect people and property from the effects of future storm surges ■ **START-UP NY** provides for the only "Tax-free Zone" in the borough, the CSI Technology Incubator Center in St. George



**IRMA K. CRUZ VELEZ '16**

## HER STORY

A first-generation immigrant, Irma is majoring in Spanish Adolescent Education and has been dedicating her time to helping others. "My number one priority has been getting an education and contributing to my community any way I can." Recent activities include interning for social service programs aimed at tackling violence, substance abuse, and immigrant and gender rights; volunteering to translate for the New York City Municipal ID program; and teaching early childhood Spanish language acquisition at a Staten Island Montessori school.

## AWARDS

- The Aramis Gonzalo Rios Memorial Scholarship

## GOAL

To become an English as a Second Language, Spanish, and Special Education teacher.



# STUDENT SUCCESS

CSI students and alumni have directly benefited from **\$3 million in scholarships and grants**, since 2010.

Our students have won | **Fulbright Awards** | **Goldwater Fellowships** | **Gilman International Scholarships** | **Jeannette K. Watson Fellowships** | **HACU Scholarships** | **Jonas Salk Scholarships** | **NSF Fellowships** | **NYS Women Scholarships** | **The Dream.US Scholarships** | **Teach for America Fellowships** | **UNCF-Merck Scholarships** | **Women's Forum Education Awards**



**NAOMI GAGGI '17**

#### HER STORY

A Macaulay Honors College student majoring in Psychology, Naomi currently works in three labs, and is a member of two honor societies, a peer tutor, and a record-setting and award-winning member of the CSI Swimming and Diving team.

#### AWARDS

- Meyer Scholar
- National Collegiate Scholar
- Dean's List

#### GOAL

To obtain her PhD in Clinical Neuropsychology



**BREE SILVERMAN '16**

#### HER STORY

A Teacher Education Honors Academy student majoring in Mathematics with a concentration in Secondary Education. "Through this program, I received mentoring, a great education, and built wonderful friendships."

#### AWARDS

- NOYCE Scholar
- Alfred Harcourt Scholar
- Dean's List

#### GOAL

To pursue her Master's in Math Education



**TAI ADENEKAN '15**

#### HIS STORY

During his tenure at CSI, Tai was inducted into Sigma Beta Delta, Omicron Delta Epsilon, Pi Sigma Alpha, and Phi Beta Delta, and served as president of the International Business Society, CUNY Delegate at the University Student Senate, and president of the Student Government Association.

#### AWARDS

- School of Business Salutatorian

#### GOAL

To complete his master's degree at CSI to pursue a joint degree in Law and Business (JD & MBA) from Harvard University



# FACULTY SCHOLARS

CSI faculty mentors have earned more than **\$40.2 million in grants and awards** since 2010, and provide students with hands-on research opportunities.

Our faculty have been recognized with awards from the | **Guggenheim Foundation**, **Fulbright Scholar Program** | **Mellon Foundation** | **National Endowment for the Arts** | **National Endowment for the Humanities** | **National Science Foundation** | **National Institutes of Health** | *and many others*



ZAGHLOUL AHMED

#### HIS STORY

Dr. Ahmed's research on spinal cord injuries focuses on using Trans-Spinal Direct Current Stimulation to alter the muscle tone in mice suffering from spasticity due to this damage. An Associate Professor with the Department of Physical Therapy with the School of Health Sciences at the College of Staten Island, Dr. Ahmed's project aims to discover what types of treatment can lead to long-term relief in people who have suffered from spinal cord injuries or even from strokes.

#### AWARDS

- Four major grants totaling nearly \$850,000 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the New York State Department of Health, and PSC CUNY
- 2011 NYC BioAccelerate Prize for a Neural Stimulation System

#### GOAL

To move the work from mice to clinical trials in humans



AVA CHIN

#### HER STORY

Where most New Yorkers view park and sidewalk-crack greenery as mere weeds, Ava Chin sees edible, super-nutritious food such as dandelion greens and "chicken of the woods" mushrooms, as well as medicinal plants. Chin, Associate Professor of Creative Nonfiction and Journalism, recently published a prizewinning memoir, *Eating Wildly: Foraging for Life, Love and the Perfect Meal*, which chronicles her discoveries as an "urban forager," spotting, gathering, and cooking useful plants that grow wild in the city. A third-generation CUNY graduate, following her mother and grandmother, Chin says it's "a special thrill" to teach at CSI and "to connect and mentor the next generation of writers."

#### AWARDS

- First Prize, MFK Fisher Book Awards 2015
- *Library Journal's* "Best Books of 2014"

#### GOAL

To complete "the next couple of books," including one about uncovering her family's legacy in New York's Chinatown from the 1880s onward



PATRICIA SMITH

#### HER STORY

Patricia Smith found her inspiration sitting on the back porch of her home in Chicago listening to her father tell her stories after work. "When I was a young girl, my father would sit and tell me stories about his day, the people he worked with at the candy factory, folks he encountered in the neighborhood." That tradition taught her to "look at the world in terms of the stories it could tell." When she won a poetry contest in Chicago and was awarded with a trip to Osaka, Japan to present her poetry, she realized that she had a future as a writer.

#### AWARDS

- 2014 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship in Poetry
- Four-time National Poetry Slam winner

#### GOAL

Create an anthology of anonymous 19th-century photographs "brought to life" by contemporary poets



# DOLPHIN PRIDE



ILONA STOYKO

## HER STORY

Ilona Stoyko's collegiate story began in 2009 when she left Ukraine with wide eyes and a few words of English. She soon found her new home at CSI. From a timid first-year student, Stoyko grew to become a dynamic leader on the court and in the classroom. She led the Dolphins to CUNYAC supremacy, complete with a Postseason Championship for the first time since 1999 and a first-ever trip to the NCAA Division III National Championship. During this ascendancy, she was a primary contributor to the CSI Chemistry Department's prestigious research project on the "Synthesis of Ordered Nonporous Materials," led by Dr. Michal Kruk, a Top-100 High-Impact Chemist, according to Thomson Reuters.

## AWARDS

- 2014 CUNYAC Scholar-Athlete of the Year, the first female recipient since 1999
- Dr. Elise T. Marcus Scholarship
- Dr. Mario J. Merlino Scholarship
- Rosemary O'Halloran Scholarship to support women in Chemistry

## GOAL

Fulbright Teaching Assistantship

14 NCAA Division III Intercollegiate Teams  
91 CUNYAC Championships  
7 ECAC Championships  
30 NCAA National Tournament Appearances  
2 All-America Citations in 2014-2015

The CSI Dolphins and the College's athletic programs are committed to providing quality athletic, intramural, and recreational services and programs to the College community that enhance the lives and development of the widely diverse population of New York City. **Student-athlete success is measured by performance in the classroom, in competition, and in the community.** To be a Dolphin is to excel in all three areas!

Each year, teams and players celebrate championships across all sports, with **Dolphin athletes and coaches among the most decorated locally, regionally, and nationally.** As a scholar-athlete-driven institution, more than 40% of our student-athletes obtain a 3.0 GPA or better.

Each year, the Dolphins partner with various philanthropic organizations to raise funds and awareness for worthy causes through advanced community service efforts, many of them spearheaded by the dynamic Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

*This is how we show Dolphin Pride!*



# LIVE AND LEARN



**Dolphin Cove**, the College of Staten Island's luxury residence halls, received **The Albert P. Melnick Award** from the **Staten Island Chamber of Commerce** in 2015. This discretionary award recognized the completion of the state-of-the-art buildings, which house an international community of residents, and their transformative role in adding to the richness of the College campus and the quality of life for the Staten Island community.

Dolphin Cove is easily accessible from the Campus Center, Sports and Recreation Center, and academic buildings. The student apartments are offered in a variety of floor plans, are fully furnished, and include cable and Internet. In addition, the facilities include a state-of-the-art fitness center, study lounges, social lounge, and many support and breakout spaces. Residents benefit from the College's shuttle service to the St. George Ferry Terminal for the free ferry into Manhattan and its restaurants, cultural events, and night life.



# DRIVING DATA



The new **CUNY Interdisciplinary High-Performance Computing Center**, to be located on the College of Staten Island campus, will house our supercomputers and also provide lecture halls, classrooms, offices, and research space. When it is completed it will be one of the most powerful supercomputer sites in the region, serving CSI and CUNY faculty and students, as well as other researchers and businesses.



# A PROUD TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE SINCE 1956

The College of Staten Island traces its roots back to the establishment of **Staten Island Community College** in 1956 as the borough's public institution of higher education of The City University of New York, offering associate's degrees. In 1965, **Richmond College** was opened by CUNY as an experimental two-year upper-division college, one of the first of its kind in the nation to offer bachelor's and master's degrees and participate in doctoral education. These institutions merged in 1976 and were renamed the **College of Staten Island**. In 1993, the College of Staten Island was relocated to its present location in Willowbrook.





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