

CEYE Virtual Summer 2020 Program

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What happens to my application if it is already submitted?

Your early submission has not gone unnoticed and we look forward to reviewing your application for acceptance to one of our virtual programs. Please note that we may ask for additional information.

What if I submitted an application, but no longer want to be considered for the virtual format?

Please simply send us an email at CEYEApplications@mssm.edu to withdraw your application.

What will the course offerings be for the summer?

We are moving quickly to develop coursework from a cross-section of experts across the Mount Sinai Health System and throughout NYC. Although they will not be in-person, we anticipate being able to offer exciting and engaging curriculum across a variety of new platforms. We will release more details soon and offer you an opportunity to withdraw if it does not seem of interest.

Will I still receive a stipend?

It is still unclear to us at this time however it is our hope to provide updates when we can.

Can I apply to CEYE's Virtual Courses, if I have not started an application yet?

You will be considered as long as they are completed by Sunday, April 5th at 11:59 pm.

Can we use 2018 taxes in place of 2019?

We ask for 2019 tax forms as part of your application. If your household income has drastically changed due to the current public health emergency – or you are unable to obtain your parents' 2019 tax forms – please reach out to us directly at CEYEApplications@mssm.edu.

Please note that a documentation of unemployment or other State benefits can be submitted in place of any tax forms.

Do I still need a letter of recommendation?

We understand that some students have been unable to obtain letters of recommendation from their instructors as they are moving their curriculum online unexpectedly. Given these unprecedented circumstances, we ask that you provide the name and email address for your recommender, so we might reach out to them directly with any outstanding questions regarding your application. We have updated our summer application and you can now input your recommender's contact information there. If they are still able to complete the following [link](#), however, we encourage them to do so.

Do I still need a transcript?

We ask for a copy of your transcript as part of your application. If you are unable to obtain a copy of your transcript due to the current public health emergency, we ask that you send us the following:

- *a copy of your most recent report card
and/or*
- *a copy of your grades from your school's online grading platform.*

What if I do not attend a NYC public school? Can I still apply?

Generally, students attending NYC Public or Charter Schools are our primary target area.

As a point of context, each year we are contracted by the State and Federal Government to support a specific number of students with specific eligibility criteria, which includes attending a NYC Public or Charter School. That being said, we sometimes make exceptions, particularly cases where students who attend a private or catholic school receive a significant financial aid package (documentation is required). Please note that this consideration is always subject to funding and availability.

What if I am not underrepresented in medicine (URM) or disadvantaged (DA)? Can I still apply?

Subject to funding and availability, CEYE may consider non-URM and non-DA applicants. Please be advised that these limited slots are extremely competitive and are outside of our primary target population.

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What if I am an undocumented or DACA student?

Students are eligible to apply regardless of immigration status. We will neither allow immigration officials on our campuses nor provide them with information about the immigration status of our students without appropriate legal process, such as a warrant or subpoena.

Will I still receive a stipend as an undocumented or DACA student?

Unfortunately, we cannot offer undocumented students a stipend, but you will still be eligible to receive a MetroCard if they are available.