Welcome!

Congratulations on your acceptance to Monroe College. I am confident you have made an excellent decision in choosing Monroe to pursue your education.

It has been my pleasure, over several decades, to lead the College and watch our students grow into passionate and accomplished professionals. Every new student possesses the ability to achieve his or her dreams and aspirations, and you will soon discover that the Monroe staff and faculty are anxious to partner with you in pursuit of your goals.

As a community, we strive to provide quality education while ensuring that our students are our top priority. We trust that Monroe offers an environment that will allow you to feel challenged, supported, proud and determined — an environment in which you will thrive and succeed.

The next years of your life will be important, exciting, and fulfilling, and I officially welcome you to the Monroe College Community. I look forward to seeing you around campus.

Stephen Jerome
President
The Monroe Mustangs have won four national titles, several gold medals, and countless championships.
Next Steps

Here’s what to do next:

**STEP 1**
Sign and submit your Monroe College Acceptance Acknowledgement Form.

Monroe’s admission decisions are based on the level of success you have achieved thus far in your academic career. By signing the Monroe College Acceptance Acknowledgement Form, you are agreeing to maintain that level of success and are confirming that you will graduate from the secondary school that you are currently attending.

Upon receiving your acceptance packet, please log in to your Monroe Online Application at oap.monroecollege.edu and click on ‘Additional Forms.’ Please select Acceptance Acknowledgement to read, sign and submit your form.

**STEP 2**
Complete the financial aid process.

All students must meet with a Monroe College Financial Aid counselor to receive your financial aid estimate and to create a plan for financing your education. For more information on how to begin the financial aid process, please contact your Admissions counselor, who can assist in setting up an appointment with your Financial Aid counselor. You may be asked to provide the following documents:

- Social Security Card
- Birth Certificate/Passport (if applicable)
- Alien Registration Card or Naturalization Certificate (if applicable)

**STEP 3**
Apply for housing.

Monroe College offers several types of student housing at our New Rochelle campus. Because space for housing is limited, we recommend that you apply as soon as possible if you are interested in living on campus.

**STEP 4**
Prepare for registration.

Complete your Math and English placement assessments. We want to ensure that you’re placed in the most suitable courses. If you have not done so already, please contact your Monroe College Admissions counselor or call 646-393-8479 (Bronx) or 914-740-6710 (New Rochelle) to book your appointment.

We will need the following items before you register for classes:
- Official Academic Transcripts from high school or other institutions
- Immunization Record (MMR)*

**STEP 5**
Save the date for student events.

Monroe College hosts a variety of events to welcome our new students. Check with your counselor and save the date for special events. Also, be sure to attend orientation to receive your class schedule and participate in Freshman Week at the start of the semester to meet fellow students and go on fun trips. Welcome!

* Please contact your health care provider to obtain immunization records showing the exact dates of shots. You may also ask your health care provider to fill out and sign the Immunization form located at http://www.monroecollege.edu/aboutmonroe/downloadpage/acceptancepackagedocuments.
MORE THAN JUST
PROFESSORS

Monroe stands out for a lot of reasons, and one of those reasons is the faculty. Monroe faculty are more than just professors—they are mentors, motivators, and members of the Monroe family. Even better, each professor brings invaluable experience into the classroom. Whether they are former NYPD Detectives, business leaders, chefs, or nurses, Monroe professors make sure their students benefit from their real-world knowledge.

At Monroe, there are no huge lecture halls. Because Monroe’s classes are small, instruction is personalized and professors know their students by name. It’s one of the main reasons that our students are so successful—there’s always a professor who will arrive early and stay late to help a student understand and learn. Because of their dedication, Monroe faculty receive over a 90% positive rating on our Student Survey each semester.

“I love that every one of my professors uses their own experience within class lessons. My sociology professor, Professor White, actually connects his lessons to everyday life, which makes it so much more interesting. Monroe professors also go out of their way to help you out—you can tell they care.”

—Precious Rodriguez, Health Services Administration, April 2018
A culture that’s

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Monroe has been more than just a home away from home for students from nearly every continent in the world; it has been an extended family. Today, that family includes scholars from India, Pakistan, Nepal, China, Japan, the Caribbean and more. Add to this impressive mix a varied student body from the United States and you have a college as rich and textured in its diversity as it is in its educational curricula.

College can be difficult, particularly when you’re trying to learn the customs of a new country. But at Monroe, you’ll find a very unique culture of caring. Monroe is an environment of small classrooms, most with fewer than 25 students, and professors who know you by name. Monroe’s innovative EASE (English with Academic Support) program provides language assistance right on campus, allowing you to learn English concurrently with the rest of your studies. And, you can rest assured that tutoring is available throughout your academic career.

THE HONORS PROGRAM

The Honors Program provides a unique opportunity for our most academically accomplished students. The program aims to engage its students in advanced academic work and enhanced intellectual experiences through challenging courses and active learning opportunities. To that end, the Honors Program sponsors lectures, seminars, and workshops for students and faculty.

Often, the misconception is that in an Honors program, a student is required to do more work. Honors courses are not necessarily quantitatively different; rather, they are qualitatively different. The program focuses heavily on experiential learning, which includes field trips, site visits, experiments, simulations and debates.

Students who complete an Honors program receive transcript and diploma notations, as well as certificates, medallions, or other citations at graduation ceremonies.

If you’re interested in applying to the Honors Program, you may reach out to Kathryn MacDonald at kmacdonald@monroecollege.edu or at (914) 740-6452.

“One of my favorite things about Monroe is the diversity of the student body. I love meeting people from all over the world and learning about their cultures. Being from Trinidad, New York was a bit of a culture shock—it was different from what I was accustomed to. But everyone here is so friendly and understanding that I really feel like I’m where I need to be.”

—Tiffany Bahaw, Information Technology, August 2014
just like family.

VETERANS

Monroe’s compassionate atmosphere perfectly suits the returning veteran and, as a result, Monroe College now has one of the largest veteran populations in the New York area. There are hundreds of veterans and current service men and women who have enrolled here and they have collaborated with our faculty and administration to produce a veteran-friendly environment.

At Monroe, there is a fully staffed Office of Veterans Affairs. It includes Military Benefits Specialists, Veterans Admission Counselors and a Director of Military and Veterans Affairs—all of whom are there to help you understand the benefits that you have earned as well as any new regulations. Veterans can also find an active support system in the Student Veterans of America Club, which aims to give back to one another as well as local veterans in the area.

For those Military members still completing their service, Monroe is a member of Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC), the Concurrent Admissions Program (ConAp), and DANTES External Degree Catalog (DEDC). Military students can take courses during their off-duty hours at or near military installations in the United States, overseas, and on Navy ships.

Post-9/11 G.I. Bill (Chapter 33): Monroe offers benefits specific to our veterans, including the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill, which may help to pay tuition, housing and textbook costs. The Post-9/11 G.I. Bill is for individuals with at least 90 days of aggregate service on or after September 11, 2001, or individuals discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days. The student must have received an honorable discharge to be eligible for the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill.

For further information contact Monroe Veteran’s Affairs Liaison, Allen Hansen at ahansen@monroecollege.edu.

“After 12 years in the military, I went back to school. I was skeptical about getting re-accustomed to an academic lifestyle in a world that suddenly seemed so different to me, but Monroe made it easy. Not only did Monroe offer resources for veterans, but the faculty understood how to bridge the gap between older and younger students. My professors knew how to teach to a diverse group of students with generational differences and we worked together as colleagues, no matter our age. I thought that I would feel lost in college, but here I feel like family.”

—David Ginel, Information Technology, December 2014
A REAL WORLD EDUCATION.
For over 80 years, Monroe has maintained a commitment to real world education. Because of that, Monroe College has always been a place where serious students come to realize their dreams. To help turn those dreams into futures, Monroe offers relevant degree programs, flexible class schedules, internships and training—and student success remains our top priority.

DID YOU KNOW?
• According to *US News & World Report*, Monroe is the most affordable ranked private college in New York State. Our tuition is about 50% less than the average private college in the US.
• Monroe’s unique three-semester academic calendar allows students to graduate sooner. In fact, our students can earn a Bachelor’s degree in just three years.
• Monroe has above average on-time graduation rates. A Monroe student attending three semesters per year has an on-time graduation rate of over 65%.
• Monroe placed 1,574 students in internships last year alone—a testament to the College’s belief in real world experience.
• Over 14,000 students have graduated from Monroe over the past five years.

“I thought that adjusting to college life would be tough, but Monroe did a good job allowing us to become acclimated through activities with our classmates and trips to New York City. I also didn’t realize that a student could get such personal, one-on-one attention from the professors and deans like we do at Monroe. Their eagerness to help has made the transition to college life much easier.”

—Donald Francis, Information Technology, August 2014
for a change?

Monroe's Student Activities Office is one of the busiest offices at the College. With over 700 student members in over 50 clubs, there is always something to do on campus. In fact, there are over 130 activities planned per semester. During the week, students can try their luck in Monroe’s version of The Price is Right, compete in a Battle of the Sexes, or show off their vocal abilities during Monroe Karaoke. Weekend trips feature a variety of activities, including skiing and snowboarding, paintball, museum visits, and Family Fun Days.

If you’re looking to join a club, there’s something for everyone. Students looking to entertain during a Mustangs halftime show can join the Show Stopping Steppers—also known as Triple S—which is Monroe’s Step Team and one of the College’s most popular clubs. Criminal Justice majors have their own club and those interested in Hospitality can join the PCMA, or the Professional Convention Management Association. No matter what your interests are, you’ll find others who share them.
“When you go to college, you have to be open to expanding your horizons and meeting new people. As a vet, Monroe had the resources to allow me to do both of those things. Between joining the Student Veterans of America Club and diving into my studies as a Criminal Justice major, I made some great friends and learned about all the opportunities available to me.”
—Karim Majid, Criminal Justice, June 2014

**THE BRONX** Monroe’s Bronx campus is located in the Fordham section—one of New York City’s liveliest commercial areas.

A major advantage of the campus location is its proximity to New York City’s major resources and attractions. The Fordham station of the Lexington Avenue #4 subway line is just yards from the campus—something that students, faculty and staff take advantage of on a daily basis.

The Bronx campus is home to several unique, educational training facilities, including the Human Patient Simulation Center, which is utilized by the School of Nursing and includes a full-body pregnancy simulator—the first in the nation to be used in an educational setting. The School of Allied Health offers a fully-functional simulated pharmacy and our Criminal Justice students learn with hands-on experience in Court Hall, which is set up like an actual courtroom.

While the Bronx is always buzzing with activity, Monroe’s Student Activities Office makes sure to plan student-oriented events on a daily basis. Whether you’re looking to sing your heart out at karaoke, join a field trip to the Intrepid Sea and Space Museum, or learn more about creative art, there’s always something going at the Bronx campus.
NEW ROCHELLE CAMPUS

Monroe is located in Downtown New Rochelle, a suburban city on the Long Island Sound, just a 30 minute train ride from mid-town Manhattan.

NEW ROCHELLE Located in the downtown area, the Monroe College New Rochelle campus offers a traditional college experience with the convenience of small city living. With several student clubs, a robust student activities department, and a thriving athletic program, Monroe’s Mustang Pride resonates throughout the New Rochelle campus. Commuting and housing students alike enjoy attending games at the Monroe Athletic Complex—or, more familiarly, the MAC—and City Field, the home turf for many of Monroe’s athletic teams.

Many members of the Monroe community (and local foodies) enjoy a night out at Monroe’s student-run restaurant, The Dining Lab, which offers delicious gourmet meals three nights a week. And, New Rochelle’s close proximity to New York City allows the Student Activities Office to plan student trips to plays, museums, and events in the Big Apple.

This fall, construction on Monroe’s newest dormitory, Gaddy Hall, will be complete. The new dorm will provide on-campus housing for 300 students in addition to new classrooms, staff and faculty offices. During the warmer months, students will be able to study in the sun in the outdoor courtyard.

QUEENS EXTENSION SITE

Bustling Roosevelt Avenue in Flushing, Queens

QUEENS Monroe’s new Queens Extension Site is located at 135-16 Roosevelt Avenue, in the heart of the vibrant downtown Flushing district. The site is located one block away from Main Street and Roosevelt Avenue, which is New York City’s second busiest transportation hub after Times Square.

“When I first applied to Monroe, my counselor was there every step of the way. I didn’t want to go to a college where the professors didn’t take the time to get to know you. All of my professors know me by my first name—and they have since my first day at Monroe. That’s how involved the faculty is. I’ve met with the chair of the department for extra help and to check in when I’ve needed some advice. I’ve never felt like a number here; Monroe has always made me feel like a person—like a member of the family.”

—Vashti Bipat, Public Accounting, April 2014
“I’m an online student and I’ve only had good experiences with my professors. They are always very helpful and they make class enjoyable. I find myself laughing—a lot. Right now I’m taking Introduction to Healthcare and I have Professor Veras. He makes the class interactive and interesting with challenging questions and discussions. It’s definitely my favorite class.”

—Kerline Casimir, Health Services Administration, April 2018

ONLINE Monroe’s Online campus offers the convenience of online classes along with the support of a ground campus. Every new online student begins their studies on campus with a welcome orientation hosted by the Online department. Once enrolled, online students have full access to and are encouraged to use Monroe’s libraries, study centers, recreational and career facilities. And, because our online classes have been designed to be totally in sync with those on campus, you can easily create a blended schedule that combines the best of both experiences.

One of the advantages separating Monroe Online from other programs is an unparalleled level of support and encouragement. Once the semester begins, you’ll be assigned a Personal Student Services Counselor who helps guide your studies, assists with tutoring and encourages your progress. Monroe also provides all students with an online tutoring service you can access 24/7 and one-on-one assistance in Monroe’s on-campus Learning Resource Centers.

ST. LUCIA The scenic Monroe College St. Lucia campus is one of St. Lucia’s leading higher education destinations, serving over 300 students in Barnard Hill Castries on the Caribbean island of St. Lucia.

The campus is in close proximity to a pleasant downtown area that includes restaurants, quaint shops and tourist attractions, the library, and a picturesque harbor. Conveniently located between Margot and Rodney Bays and the Central Airport, St. Lucia campus students, faculty, and staff make regular use of their convenient access to some of the Caribbean’s most spectacular beaches.
Financial Aid

To apply for financial aid, follow the steps below:

Step 1
Make an appointment to meet with a Financial Aid Counselor to be guided through the application process.
Contact Student Financial Services department at:
Bronx: (646) 393-8500  |  New Rochelle: (914) 740-6849

Step 2
Determine your eligibility for federal and state aid including grants, and student and parent loans.
Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.gov. to determine your eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant Program and, if you are a New York State resident, the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). Both programs offer grants, which do not need to be paid back, and the amount of each is dependent on several factors including:

• The student’s expected family contribution (EFC)
• The cost of attendance (as determined by the institution)
• The student’s enrollment status (full-time or part-time) & semester completion

Step 3
Complete your application—you will need the following information:

• Be sure to have your federal PIN (personal identification number) for both you and your parent (if dependent). If you do not remember it, please go to the PIN site on the FAFSA home page and request a duplicate PIN.
• Monroe’s Title IV School Code: 004799
• Eligible non-citizens need their alien registration number
• Income information for you and your spouse (if married) for the prior year—tax returns, W-2 documents, untaxed income, child support received, and bank and investments
• Dependent students must answer questions about their parents’ marital status, social security numbers, dates of birth, income and assets
• Driver’s license, if applicable

Step 4
If you are a New York State resident you may apply to New York State’s Tuition Assistant Program (TAP).
After completing your FAFSA, use the FAFSA confirmation page to link to TAP before logging out. Monroe’s TAP Codes are:
TAP Associate Code: 7518  |  TAP Bachelor’s Code: 6018
TAP Nursing Code: 7718  |  TAP Masters Code: 5518

Scholarships & Grants
In addition to Federal and State Financial Aid, Monroe College offers several different scholarships and grants to incoming freshmen and transfer students. Eligibility depends on a variety of factors specific to the scholarship or grant you are applying for.
For information on available scholarships and grants and how to apply, head to www.monroecollege.edu/financialaid/scholarships
and
www.monroecollege.edu/financialaid/monroegrants
Res Life

To apply for housing, follow the steps listed below:

Step 1
Complete the Monroe College Housing Application and all associated forms, including:

- Adult Student Housing Statement (for those students 18 years of age and older)
- Emergency Contact Form
- Health Assessment Form
- Housing Immunization Form
- Medical Treatment—Minor (for those students under 18 years of age)
- Parent-Guardian Housing Agreement (for those students under 18 years of age)

All forms can be found at: www.monroecollege.edu/aboutmonroe/downloadpage/acceptancepackagedocuments

Step 2
Meet with your Financial Aid Counselor and submit a printout of your Financial Aid Estimate along with the Housing Application to the Office of Residence Life.

Step 3
Submit your $400 advanced payment required to reserve a bed. This fee is allocated as follows:

- $150 Housing Application Fee
- $250 Initial Deposit

Step 4
Submit all completed forms and applications to the Office of Residence Life at:

Fax: (914) 740-6459
Email: reslife@monroecollege.edu

Student housing is offered on the New Rochelle campus. Several options are available from apartment-style living to traditional dorms. Housing is limited and students are placed on a first-come, first-serve basis.
Monroe’s newest building, Gaddy Hall, will be completed in August of 2014 and will provide housing for 300 students.