2023 Year In Review

- Largest freshman class in the history of the University
- Includes 146 Early Birds - our first flock!
- **$91.8M** in need and merit money offered to new students
- Major increase in applications for the following:
  - Journalism (45%)
  - Communication and Media (35%)
  - Jurisprudence, Law & Society (30%)
  - Sociology (25%)
  - Accounting (20%)
  - Biology (9%)
- Merged with Bloomfield College!
Early Bird Junior Admission Program

- Thank you for your partnership!

- This year's cohort:
  - 1,940 Applications
  - 31 states & 13 countries
  - $5.6M Scholarship Offered
  - Average GPA: 3.67

- Application opens in April 2024 for both locations

Robmine St. Philippe traveled to Montclair from San Diego, California, for the Early Bird Junior Admit welcome event.
Class of 2027
Montclair

4,186
NEW STUDENTS ENROLLED
(first-year)

45%
of Class of 2027 identify as Hispanic

44%
FIRST GENERATION

3.3
AVERAGE GPA of Class of 2027

6
TOP SIX CHOICES OF MAJOR:
Business Administration, Biology, Psychology, Computer Science, Film and Television, Educational Foundations

31
REPRESENTED STATES, plus 12 countries and all 21 counties in New Jersey
Class of 2027
Bloomfield

182 NEW STUDENTS ENROLLED (first-year)

2.9 AVERAGE GPA

TOP MAJOR CHOICES
Game Design
Music Technology
Criminology & Social Justice
Psychology
Business
Nursing

51.2% FIRST GENERATION (total)

48% BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN
Something to Brag About: A Confirmation of Our Value

U.S. News & World Report 2024 Best Colleges

- #1 in NJ and #7 in the Nation for Social Mobility
  - A measure of how well schools enroll and graduate low-income students

- #11 in the Nation for Graduation Rate Performance

The Wall Street Journal 2024 Best Colleges in the U.S.

- #4 in New Jersey (ahead of Rutgers University and Seton Hall University)
- #103 overall out of 400 institutions (ahead of New York University, Boston University and Northeastern University)
- #37 out of 204 public institutions (ahead of Penn State, The University of Texas at Austin and the University of Maryland)
Something to Brag About: Our First Goldwater Scholar

Marisa’s research focuses on an enzyme that could one day be used to target breast cancer treatments.

Marisa Messina, Chemistry major from Riverdale, NJ
6 Red Hawks Named American Heart Association HSI Scholars

Only 30 students selected nationwide to support Latino/Hispanic pipeline to public health and healthcare
Scientific Research Experience
Professional mentoring
$7K Scholarship and all expenses paid trip to AHA’s annual conference in Chicago
Yaire Hernandez, Public Health, presented a study on the shopping habits of minority shoppers when given the opportunity to shop at grocery stores that carry organic produce and other products versus their local grocers.

Kenneth Mosquera-Reinoso’s research involved studying a cytochrome that metabolizes drugs, such as antibiotics, and other compounds that enter the body.
Recent Campus News

- Men’s Soccer: Perfect 9-0 record in NJAC, NJAC Champions
- Women’s Soccer: NJAC Champions
- Montclair named a Fulbright HSI Leader - one of only 46 institutions in the US
- Joined the First Scholars Network, only 10% of institutions nationwide
- University Awarded $850,000 Grant for Mental Health Support Services
Assistant Physics Professor Kent Leung was awarded $616,289 CAREER Grant from the National Science Foundation to create a new experimental nuclear physics research program.

Student research experiences in nuclear, particle and quantum physics
Dean Rashid Ahmed,
College for Community Health

“Our mission within the College for Community Health is to provide education, inspiration and empowerment to the next generation of health-care professionals while upholding a steadfast commitment to social justice.”
Welcome, Interim Dean Alfonso!

The mission of the College is grounded in developing academic programming that reflects the changing landscape of P-12 education, higher education and the needs of our community partners, as well as in modeling positive supports and inclusive practices of diverse individuals to normalize the tenets of anti-racism, social justice, equity, diversity and belonging.
Introducing…
Bloomfield College of Montclair State University

- Continued commitment to serving a largely first generation, predominantly Black Institution and Minority Serving Institution population

- One combined Admissions team with dedicated counselors for Bloomfield students

- Counselors attending your events represent both locations
Applying to Montclair - Updates for 2024

1. Apply via Common App or apply.montclair.edu/portal/admissions

2. Choose your location choice on the application.
   a. Certain majors are only available at certain locations.

3. Provide high school transcript OR Self Reported Academic Record (SRAR)
   a. New for 2024!
   b. Students may upload unofficals for admissions decision

4. Recommendation letters: optional for most majors

5. Essay: considering allowing graded writing sample in lieu of essay for 2025
To Summarize...

The same hands-on support at Bloomfield that we all know and love

1 unified admissions application

Certain majors are only available at one location

Can only apply to one location
Application Process FAQ

1. How long until I receive a decision?
2. Can I be considered for both Montclair and Bloomfield?
3. I was admitted to Montclair/Bloomfield but now want to change to the other location.
4. What happens if I don’t get into my restricted major?
5. Can I receive a fee waiver?
6. How about Nursing at Bloomfield?
7. When will I know if I was admitted to the Educational Opportunity Fund Program? (funny you should ask....)
Raise your hand if the new FAFSA and delayed timeline is stressing you out.
Realistically...

Colleges won’t receive FAFSA data until the end of January

Factor in time for DOE-released software patches to be uploaded to our information systems

Financial Aid packages may not be available until March

This also impacts EOF applicants’ financial review.
Montclair’s Tuition Free Program: Red Hawk Advantage Award

- Free tuition program for incoming freshmen and sophomores (transfers under 60 credits)
- New Jersey residents
- 3.0 + GPA
- $65,000 AGI or less
- Bridge program for Garden State Guarantee to provide 4 years of tuition-free

Montclair is a Garden State Guarantee School.
New Scholarships!

Talent Based Scholarships

- Available for BFA and BMus Performing Arts programs
- Dance, Music, Musical Theatre, Theatre, Acting and Design & Technology Management
- Awarded by the faculty on the merit of the student’s audition
- Varying amounts, no maximum

PTK Scholarship

- Transfers only
- Phi Theta Kappa honor society students
- $2,000 per year for two years
- Students indicate eligibility in the application
Scholarship Universe

- Free tool for our students to match with internal and external scholarships
- Access to millions of dollars in well-vetted external scholarships
- New students can access Scholarship Universe as soon as they commit to Montclair
We’re Here To Help!

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What’s in store today

● Session Topics:
  ○ Introduction our new colleges:
    ■ College for Community Health
    ■ College of Education and Engaged Learning
  ○ Early College Programs
  ○ Student Panel
  ○ Student Success and Summer Programs
  ○ Study Abroad Programs

● Lunch at 12pm
● Optional Tour at 12:30 pm
● We love your feedback: check your email after today’s event