

## Free College Benefit, in partnership with Paul Quinn College



This new partnership with **Paul Quinn College (PQC)** provides an additional opportunity for Free College participants to further their education and take charge of their careers with a pathway to high-quality bachelor's degree programs with no out-of-pocket costs.

The next start date for Spring is March 14, 2022

Want to learn more? Complete your application with this link!

<https://www.gopaulquinn.org/union/>

### Degree Options

The Free College Benefit, in partnership with Paul Quinn College—a private, non-profit college, based in Dallas, TX—will offer the following bachelor's degree programs with no cost to all eligible Free College students, beginning with the Spring 2022 semester:

- Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration-Accounting
- Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration-Entrepreneurship
- Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration-Fundraising and Philanthropy
- Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration-Management
- Bachelor of Arts, Health and Wellness (coming Summer, 2022)
- Bachelor of Arts, Legal Studies
- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts-Communications
- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts-General
- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts-History
- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts-Political Science
- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts-Math (coming Summer, 2022)
- Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts-Psychology
- Bachelor of Arts, Religious Studies

Learn more about the programs and courses here:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5bf84b434611a034b52113b9/t/604bd05afb0ee45727317906/1615581281855/2020+-+2021+PQC+Catalog+BOT+Approved+May+1+2020.pdf>

### About PQC

PQC Application: <https://www.gopaulquinn.org/union/>

Paul Quinn College (PQC.edu) one of the most innovative colleges in America, is a private, four-year, liberal arts-inspired historically Black college (HBCU) that was founded on April 4, 1872,

by a group of African Methodist Episcopal Church preachers in Austin, Texas, with the original purpose to educate freed slaves and their families. Paul Quinn College is accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TACCS).

Today, Paul Quinn has become a model for higher education by focusing on academic rigor, experiential learning, and entrepreneurship. The College proudly provides a quality education to students of all races and socio-economic classes under the banner of its institutional ethos, "WE over Me". The College's president, Michael Sorrell, was recently named one of Fortune Magazine's World's Greatest Leaders in 2018 and the Male President of the Year by HBCU Digest for the third time.

Paul Quinn College is a national leader in its efforts to remake higher education in order to serve the needs of under-resourced students and communities.

### **Program Highlights**

- Paul Quinn College provides bachelor's degree programs with the flexibility to balance education with busy lives.
- The Free College Benefit will apply to any transfer student with one or more earned credit(s) and who has not previously earned a bachelor's degree or higher.
- Courses are 100% online.
- There are no additional fees or costs for books or other materials.
- Advising and tutoring is available to support students.
- Paul Quinn College's faculty are in-field experts and students gain knowledge they can use right away.
- Students utilizing the Free College Benefit can attend full time or part time.
- Previous college credit will be reviewed for transfer credit.
- DACA, undocumented, and Dreamers can take advantage of this Free College Benefit if they reside within the United States.
- Available to: Dues-paying union members of participating unions
  - Unemployed, furloughed, laid-off union members
  - Retired union members
  - Widows/widowers of union members
  - Spouses and domestic partners of union members
  - Children of union members, including stepchildren and children-in-law (no age limits)
  - Grandchildren of union members
  - Financial dependents of union members
  - Siblings of union members
  - Parents of union members

### **How the Program Works**

The Free College Benefit is a last dollar scholarship that fills the gap between the cost of tuition, fees, and e-books at PQC and any federal, state or employer education grants for which a student is eligible. It is a type of financial aid, so students must comply with the federal, state, and college academic and financial aid policies, which can be found on the [Free College website](#). To determine the amount of the scholarship, students first apply for and use any federal student aid awarded through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Even if it's determined that the student is not eligible for any grants, the last-dollar scholarship will cover the balance for tuition, fees, and e-books.

No admissions testing, interview, or letters of recommendation are required.

## **Enrollment Process**

The application for PQC can be found here:

<https://www.gopaulquinn.org/union/>

1. To have prior credits reviewed for transfer credit, students must contact their previous college to have official transcripts sent to PQC. It is the student's responsibility to submit any transcripts they would like evaluated for transfer credit.
2. Prospective Students MUST complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid and any verification steps required. Free College means no out-of-pocket cost to you. The scholarship covers any amount not covered by federal grants or tuition assistance. You will never be asked to take out any loans.  
[www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov), school code is 003602
3. Applicants will be contacted by a Free College Benefit enrollment center admissions counselor to help with any questions about completing the enrollment process, including the link to the union-specific application.

## **Student Support**

Students are supported in their enrollment journey by the Student Resource Center. Free College Benefit admissions counselors are based in Steubenville, Ohio and are members of OPEIU Local 792.

Phone: 888-590-9009

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