

Holyoke Community STEM scholarship deadline Tuesday, Aug. 1

HOLYOKE – Students enrolled full time in chemistry, biology, engineering, mathematics, physics or other STEM fields at Holyoke Community College have until Tuesday, Aug. 1, to apply for a National Science Foundation scholarship of up to \$10,000 a year.

Through HCC, the National Science Foundation Scholarship offers on average \$6,500 per year to qualified full-time students and prorated amounts for part-time students.

New and current HCC students are encouraged to apply. The application deadline for the fall 2023 semester is Aug. 1. Scholarship awardees will be notified by Aug. 20.

Students chosen for the NSF scholarship become members of HCC's STEM scholars 2.0 Program, also known as STEM Cohorts for Research & Engagement.

STEM scholars are expected to maintain enrollment in a STEM program, be

in good academic standing, complete an associate degree at HCC, and/or transfer to an accredited STEM degree program at a four-year institution. The scholarships are renewable every year as long as students continue to meet the eligibility criteria.

Beside the financial awards, STEM Scholars become part of a learning community that fosters a sense of belonging and academic success, and includes mentoring, research, and honors experiences, community service, and internships.

The application and eligibility guidelines can be viewed at hcc.edu/stem-scholarship.

STEM disciplines include biological sciences, physical sciences, math, computer and information services, geosciences, and engineering.

The program is led by HCC math professor Ileana Vasu, coordinator of the STEM Scholars program. She can be reached at ivasu@hcc.edu or 413-552-2438.