

CSTEP SUMMER WIRED PROGRAM

Wired into students' way of learning

Our **FREE** three-week, CSTEP Wired Summer Program will provide incoming first-year CSTEP students with focused opportunities to develop academic skills, build social support networks and strengthen emotional resilience to enhance their success in the first semester of college.



PARTICIPATING CSTEP INSTITUTIONS:

Morrisville State College, Cazenovia College, LeMoyne College, SUNY ESF, SUNY Oswego, SUNY Upstate Medical, and Onondaga Community College

Eligibility Requirements

- You have been accepted to Morrisville State College and paid your deposit.
- Be a New York State Resident.
- Be considered either historically underrepresented (based on race and ethnicity) OR economically disadvantaged.
- Be enrolled full-time in a scientific, technical, health related field and/or major that leads to a licensed profession.
- Your last 2 semesters of high school show an 80 or above overall average.
- You submit a CSTEP Application and meet the necessary qualifications by **June 21**.
- Along with your application, you submit a 250-word essay that discusses at least one goal you would like to achieve at Morrisville State College.

Students will then be contacted to inform them if they have been accepted into the program. If accepted, a detailed description of the program along with a schedule of requirements will be provided.

WHY WIRED?

In an era when college tuition and fees have soared 439%, and “the cost of tuition and room and board continues to increase at a rate *six times* greater than the increase in the average earnings of college graduates” and “total student indebtedness now surpasses all credit card debt in the U.S.” (“Universities on the Brink,” Forbes.com), CSTEP understands the need to start working with students in new, more cost-efficient ways. With that understanding the **CSTEP Summer Wired Program** was born.



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Five Key Principles

Focus on both preparation and inspiration...

Active Learning: Incoming CSTEP students are exposed to the culture of self direction and accountability that precedes the acquisition of knowledge in the college environment.

Enhanced Literacy: Personal literacy is fundamental to academic success, social growth, and making sound choices as adults. A literate person is one who can pull out relevant information from a text for varied purposes – to develop a precise argument for a paper, to prepare for an exam, and to engage in informed discussion with others.

The Research Process: Research plays a fundamental role in extending our knowledge and is integrally tied to studying in the STEM fields. Therefore, it is important that our students are exposed early on to the topic of research and the research process

Inspire and Motivate: Students will learn about the accomplishments of people like themselves who worked hard to achieve academic, professional and personal success.

Shared Reflection and Public Speaking: students will have an opportunity to enhance their public speaking skills and critical thinking abilities with continual dialogue with students, facul-

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The many benefits:

CSTEP students will benefit from current technology and distance learning techniques that are increasingly utilized in higher education and the professional world.

Students will acquire skills that are necessary for college success while interacting with CSTEP students and staff.

CSTEP students involved in the summer program will share a common experience and develop positive connections with other students prior to their arrival to college in the Fall.

Upon successful completion of the CSTEP Wired Summer Program, students may receive:

- ◇ **Up to \$500 book award**
- ◇ **A peer mentor**
- ◇ **The opportunity to attend the state-wide CSTEP conference in the spring**
- ◇ **A connection to CSTEP staff and the Morrisville State College community**

