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Monroe University Creates Special Scholarship Program for Students from Montserrat

*Government of Montserrat to Assist in Promoting the Exclusive Scholarships,
Opening Doors for Local Academic Talent*

New Rochelle, NY -- [Monroe University](https://www.monroeu.edu) is proud to announce the creation of a special scholarship program exclusively for students from Montserrat who wish to pursue their university degrees at Monroe's campuses in New York or Saint Lucia.

This new scholarship program is designed to expand opportunities for Montserratian students who aspire to higher education but may face financial barriers to studying abroad. Monroe is committed to providing meaningful tuition support to help as many as 50 talented students from Montserrat each academic year pursue their academic goals.

These partial scholarships, fully funded by Monroe, contribute toward tuition and fees for students admitted to study at one of Monroe's campuses in New York or Saint Lucia. In addition to financial assistance, the program offers guidance and resources to support students as they transition to university life, fostering both their academic success and personal growth.

"Education has the power to transform lives, and we are incredibly proud to create this scholarship program to make higher education more accessible for Montserrat's academically gifted students," said Evan Jerome, Senior Vice President of International Programs at Monroe University.

The scholarship program will cover up to \$4,000 per semester for students attending Monroe's campuses in the Bronx or New Rochelle, New York, and residing on-campus. For students commuting to either New York campus, the scholarship will offer up to \$2,500 per semester. Students attending in-person classes at Monroe's Saint Lucia campus will receive a \$1,000 scholarship grant per semester.

To be eligible, students must be accepted as full-time, degree-seeking students at Monroe and be Montserratian citizens or permanent residents residing on the island. Undergraduate students must maintain enrollment in 15 to 18 credits per semester, while graduate students are required to enroll in nine credits per semester. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale is required to retain scholarship eligibility.

The initiative was developed with guidance from Montserrat's education leaders, including Dr. Ingrid Buffonge, Minister of Education; Beverley Mendes, Permanent Secretary of Education; Dr. Gregory Julius, Director of Education; and Dr. Sheron Burns, Director of Education. Their commitment to help promote the available scholarships to local students reflects a shared commitment to expanding educational opportunities.

Interested students can learn more by contacting Monroe's International Admissions team through Lorraine Myers at lmyers@monroeu.edu or 914-740-6896.

Ann Marie Ferguson, Executive Director of The Monroe Foundation, played a pivotal role in advancing this program, leveraging her personal connections to Montserrat to ensure its success.

"Montserrat holds a special place in my heart," Ferguson said. "My mother and brother were born on the island, and my childhood visit to Montserrat left a lasting impression on me. As a Monroe alumna, I've witnessed first-hand how transformative education at Monroe can be. I am deeply excited about this partnership and look forward to personally welcoming the first Montserratian students to campus."

Monroe University remains deeply committed to making higher education accessible and affordable, both locally and globally. Each year, hundreds of Caribbean students attend classes at one of Monroe's three campuses or online, forming one of the largest and most vibrant contingents at its graduation ceremony each June at Radio City Music Hall in New York City. Through initiatives like this, Monroe continues to support Caribbean students' success, foster global connections, and make a positive impact in communities.

ABOUT MONROE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1933, Monroe University is a recognized leader in urban and international education. The University is proud of its innovative programs to increase college access, affordability, and completion outcomes, especially among first-generation students, and for the national recognition it receives for its strong impact on graduates' social mobility.

Monroe educates more than 10,000 students each year, offering Certificate, Associate, Bachelor's, and Master's degree programs from New York campuses in the Bronx and New Rochelle, as well as in the Caribbean nation of Saint Lucia. Students may also pursue degree programs through Monroe Online. Programs are offered through Schools of Allied Health Professions, Business and Accounting, Criminal and Social Justice, Education, Hospitality Management, Information Technology, and Nursing, as well as through its King Graduate School. Liberal arts and continuing education programs are also available. For more information and admissions criteria, please visit <http://www.monroeu.edu>.