

Union College
Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP)
Academic Year
(September 2017 – May 2018)
STUDENT APPLICATION

Please use blue or black ink and complete entire form.

Today's Date: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Grade you are in now: _____ Gender [] Male [] Female

Student's Email Address: _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Email address _____

Parent/Guardian Address (if different from student's) _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone (parent): _____

Student Cell Phone: _____ Parent Cell phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Are you a New York State Resident? []Yes []No

Country of Birth if other than USA: _____

Permanent Resident Alien? []Yes []No Registration Number: _____

***How did you hear about STEP?** _____

PLEASE CHECK YES OR NO FOR EACH CATEGORY:

Ethnicity: Yes No African American/Black
 (a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa)

Yes No Latino/Hispanic
 (a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race)

Yes No American Indian/ Native Alaskan
 (a person having origins in North, Central or South America who maintains tribal affiliation or Community attachment)

Yes No *Asian
 (a person having origins in the Far East, Southeast Asia or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Thailand & Vietnam)

Yes No *Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander Yes No *White
 (a person having descent from Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands)

***Are you Eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch?** Yes No
 (Please send in documentation with your application proving your eligibility)

***IF YOU DO NOT QUALIFY BASED ON ETHNICITY**
 (African American, Latino/Hispanic, or Native American/ Alaskan Native)

OR

YOU DO NOT HAVE DOCUMENTATION SHOWING THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE/REDUCED LUNCH

YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF THE 1st PAGE OF YOUR MOST RECENT INCOME TAX RETURN TO PROVE YOU QUALIFY BASED ON INCOME

**New York State Opportunity Programs
 Income Eligibility Criteria**

Number in Household Dependent on Income	2017-2018 Eligible Income
1	\$22,311
2	\$30,044
3	\$37,777
4	\$45,510
5	\$53,243
6	\$60,976
7	\$68,709
	\$76,442

*Add \$7,733 for each family member in excess of eight.
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****You must attach a copy of your most recent report card.**

(Please do not submit an interim report)

Applications without a report card (new and returning students) will not be considered.

Education

School Name and Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Guidance Counselor: _____

Extracurricular (athletics, drama, school paper, offices held, etc.): _____

Special Awards: _____

Hobbies: _____

NYSSID _____ (Standard and unique identifier for each public and charter student in NYS- If you don't know the number, please leave it blank)

I, _____, agree to participate in the Union College Science &
Student Name

Technology Entry Program (STEP). As a participant, I agree to contribute in a positive manner and act appropriately at all times. I understand that my signature on this document constitutes an agreement between me and the Union College's STEP program.

_____ Date

Student Signature

I (we), _____, give permission for _____
Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

to participate in the Union College Science & Technology Entry Program (STEP). I (we) authorize Union College to obtain and review school records. I (we) understand that all information will be kept confidential.

_____ Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

STUDENT ESSAY – For First Time Applicants Only- students who

**have already participated in Union College STEP do not need an essay
to re-apply to Academic Year STEP**

Please write a one page essay about why you would like to join STEP. You may include information on your favorite scientist/mathematician, a career that interests you, or anything else related to your desire to join the program. The essay may be typed or handwritten, but must be legible. The essay will be judged on how well it indicates your interest in pursuing science, technology, math and other related areas.

**Please note: Essays are required for all students (new and returning) for Summer STEP.

Permission to Participate in STEP and Kenney Center Programs

I/We _____, the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of the Participant give permission for him/her to participate in the programs at the Kenney Community Center. I further give permission for my son/daughter to be escorted to and from the Kenney Community Center to Union College's main campus for program related events, and to attend activities in the Capital District via Union College transportation. I acknowledge that participation in this event is strictly voluntary and that there may be potential risks of personal injury.

Waiver and Release

I am hereby waiving and releasing Union College and its trustees, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability for any injuries incurred by my child while participating in the Kenney Community Center programs unless caused by the sole negligence of Union College.

I am hereby assuming all risks associated with my child's participation in this program.

I am representing to Union College that I have adequate health insurance on my child while he or she is participating in this program.

I will pay all costs incurred by Union College as a result of any failure by my child to respect and maintain College facilities and/or observe College rules and regulations.

Any action in regard to this Release or arising out of its terms and conditions and or claims that may arise while my child is in this Program/Event shall be instituted and litigated before the Supreme Court, Third Judicial District, Schenectady County, New York State.

I have read this entire Release, I fully understand it, and I agree to be bound by it.

Parent or Guardian Signature

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Please return this completed application, required documentation and a copy of the student's most recent report card to:

Union College Kenney Community Center

Mailing address: Kenney Center, 807 Union St., Schenectady, NY 12308

Physical address: 257 Park Pl. (corner of Park Pl. and Nott St.)

Fax: 518-388-6638