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New Jersey City University Offers Debt-Free Promise Program for New Jersey Residents with Family Incomes of \$60,000 or Less

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New Jersey City University (NJCU) on February 19, 2016 announced the NJCU Debt-Free Promise Program to make a college education accessible and affordable for New Jersey residents who are pursuing their first undergraduate degree as incoming full-time freshman students. Launching in the fall of 2016, the program will apply to all New Jersey residents who are admitted to NJCU from high school, attend full-time, and come from a family with a household income of \$60,000 or less.

The goal is to eliminate the need for students to take out loans to cover the cost of tuition and fees. The NJCU scholarship/grant will be applied after federal and state financial aid is awarded.

Noting that NJCU students already graduate with the lowest rate of indebtedness (tuition and fees) of any other public college in New Jersey, NJCU President Sue Henderson said, "NJCU is proud to offer this debt-free program to New Jersey families that are in most need of this opportunity. Affordability is a major concern that we take very seriously. In fact, in 2015, Washington Monthly named NJCU second among colleges in New Jersey serving students in need."

The NJCU Debt-Free Promise Program seeks to ensure that every student graduates with a clean financial slate by eliminating the need to take on unnecessary debt so that they can begin their professional careers unencumbered by financial burdens.

To apply for the NJCU Debt-Free Promise Program, students must be admitted to NJCU and submit the Free Application for Federal State Aid (FAFSA) by July 1st. Students remain qualified for the program each year, if they submit a FAFSA, are in good academic standing, and register for 15-credits each semester.

For additional information, contact the NJCU Admissions Office: 1-888-441-NJCU.

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