NEW YORK’S PRIVATE COLLEGES
support students by making world-class
higher education affordable and accessible.

$26,888 PER YEAR
The average net price students pay at private, not-for-profit colleges and universities in New York (tuition + room + board)

85%
of first-time students at private colleges receive some form of financial aid.

$6 BILLION
Total financial aid that private colleges in New York gave to their students.

$32,146 NYS private colleges
$27,780 SUNY
Average total amount New York bachelor’s degree graduates borrow to fund their four-year degree:

$59,051 Private college graduates in NYS
$47,584 Public college graduates in NYS
GRADUATES’ AVERAGE EARNINGS 10 YEARS AFTER STARTING COLLEGE:

More students travel to New York for college than to any other state.

Graduates of New York’s private colleges use their degrees to maximize their earning potential.
New York's private colleges are a vital part of the state's higher education ecosystem and economy. New York is home to more than 100 private, not-for-profit colleges and universities.

Private colleges in New York award 50% of the bachelor’s, 73% of the master’s, and 78% of the doctoral degrees in the state.

- 50% Bachelor’s
- 73% Master’s
- 78% Doctoral

New York’s private colleges generate $88.8 billion in economic impact annually and support 415,600 jobs in the state.

1.2 million students attend college in New York annually.

- 40% NYS private colleges
- 22% SUNY
- 26% CUNY
- 2% Proprietary

Two in three students at private colleges in New York are from families that earn less than $125,000 annually.

40% of African-American and Latinx students who attend college in New York attend a private college.