The Percy Ellis Sutton Search for Education, Elevation and Knowledge (SEEK) Program is a higher education opportunity program offered in the senior colleges of the City University of New York (CUNY). It was established to provide comprehensive academic support to assist capable students who otherwise might not be able to attend college due to their educational and financial circumstances. Students are admitted into SEEK regardless of age, sex, sexual orientation, race, disability, or creed.

The Percy Ellis Sutton SEEK Program at Hunter College provides a network of comprehensive programs and services in order to assist participants to maximize and enhance their academic potential. Through academic advising, academic skill building, career seminars, personal counseling, and mentoring opportunities, participants enrolled in the CUNY-funded SEEK Program receive personalized support during their college experience.

Collaborative partnerships with academic departments, within the Office of the Provost, offices within the Division of Student Affairs, outside organizations, agencies, businesses and alumni, work to enhance SEEK’s educational services to its participants.

SEEK Program Services:

♦ Five-Week Summer Program
♦ Need-Based Financial Aid
♦ Academic, Personal, Career & Financial Counseling
♦ Chi Alpha Epsilon National Honor Society
♦ Peer Mentoring Program
♦ Tutoring Services
♦ Personal Academic Success Series (P.A.S.S.) Seminars
♦ Semester Book Allowance
♦ Textbook Library
Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for SEEK, you must:

♦ be a legal resident of New York State for at least one year prior to entering college;

♦ be a high school graduate or recipient of a state-approved equivalency diploma;

♦ be inadmissible according to the freshman admissions criteria established for the CUNY senior college you want to attend;

♦ be a first-time freshman or previously enrolled in a College Discovery (CD), Education Opportunity Program (EOP), or Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP); and

♦ have a gross family income that meets the New York State guidelines;

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*For each additional household in excess of seven, add $7,696.

To apply for SEEK, incoming freshmen must complete the SEEK portion of the CUNY admissions online application. Admission to SEEK is conditional until you have:

♦ taken the University basic skills assessment test in reading, writing, and mathematics unless you are exempt based on your SAT and/or Regents scores;

♦ provided required documents that confirm your economic eligibility for SEEK; and

♦ successfully completed the SEEK Summer Bridge Program.

Transfer students from CD, EOP, HEOP and SEEK must complete the CUNY online transfer application.
SEEK Summer Bridge Program

Prior to their fall enrollment, entering freshmen SEEK participants attend a mandatory, five-week, non-residential summer program. Summer participants take non-credit-bearing introductory courses in English, Writing, History, Chemistry and Mathematics. Participants will attend weekly skill-building workshops, daily tutorials, several cultural events, i.e., museums, and team-building exercises in order to prepare for the rigorous academic work required of matriculated Hunter College students.

Based on each participant’s summer academic performance, the SEEK staff and faculty will work with participants to develop an Educational Action Plan that will aid in mapping out their time at Hunter.

SEEK Tutoring Services

The SEEK Learning Center provides free group and individual tutoring and skills-based workshops to all program participants who desire additional academic support services. SEEK freshmen are required to attend tutorials throughout the summer program and the academic year.

Tutoring is offered in a broad range of courses, including introductory sciences, languages, and core classes. Highly qualified and trained peer, graduate and professional tutors assist students with mastering their skills and maximizing their potential for academic achievement. SEEK participants can request a tutor in any subject area by filling out a Tutor Request form in the SEEK office, located in Room 1013 East, or by accessing the form online at: www.hunter.cuny.edu/seek
Zhang Chong Chen
Psychology
Class of 2015
“Coming from high school, I thought college was going to be easy but it’s not. I lost my direction in life until I received guidance from the SEEK program. The SEEK program enlightened my future to become a successful person in the real world.”

Jusmine Soriano
Anthropology & Physical Therapy
Class of 2017
“I am fortunate to be in the SEEK Program. They provide guidance, comfort, and room to grow as a person. The program encourages you to challenge yourself while providing you a nurturing environment.”

Taina Guillaume
Pre-Nursing
Class of 2017
“The SEEK program helped me build lasting friendships while engaging in a learning environment. I will forever be grateful to the amazing SEEK staff members who were always available to give me advice concerning my studies and the rough patches along the way. Being part of the SEEK program is like being part of a small and loving community.”

Jiahua ‘Lucas’ Huang
Undecided
Class of 2018
“Being a SEEK student I am confident enough to know that I will always have help. Although I am an undecided major, I am not worried because SEEK provides the help I need to make a well informed decision.”
Ms. Sunday F. Coward  
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