

THE DENISON-COLUMBUS ALLIANCE

The **Denison-Columbus Alliance (DCA)** program welcomes up to 20 students from Columbus City Schools to attend Denison each year. Students in the **DCA** program receive **total grant aid of at least full tuition for four years**. The **DCA** program is offered in collaboration with Columbus City Schools and its college access partner, I Know I Can.

◆ PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Students graduating from a Columbus City Schools high school in the Class of 2021 are invited to apply.
- Performance, persistence, and resilience in the high school academic setting are key factors in the selection of DCA participants. Preference will be given to applicants with a 3.5+ GPA or who rank in the top 10% of their graduating class and with rigorous academic curriculum. Essay quality, extracurricular achievements, and recommendations from teachers and counselors also carry significant weight.
- Applicants should be strong students who also demonstrate interests outside the classroom. Examples include the arts, community service, or leadership, but could include a wide range of interests that might be pursued in college.
- Demonstrated financial need will also be considered in the selection of program participants.
- Applicants are required to take part in a virtual admission event (webinar, information session, and/or interview) at denison.edu/campus/admission/virtual-connections before December of 2020.

◆ PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- DCA Scholars receive total grant aid of at least full tuition for four years.
- DCA Scholars are included in a pre-collegiate mentoring program, which takes place in summer 2021.
- Throughout their four-year collegiate career at Denison, all DCA Scholars receive close mentoring with experienced Denison professors and participate in peer mentoring program, in which upperclass DCA Scholars share insights, knowledge, and experiences.

◆ THE APPLICATION PROCESS

- To apply for the Denison-Columbus Alliance program, students must:
 - 1) complete the DCA application by **November 20, 2020**
 - 2) apply for admission to Denison by **December 4, 2020**
- Apply for DCA consideration at connect.denison.edu/register/dca
- Apply for admission to Denison at no cost by using the Common Application online at commonapp.org
- Nominations for prospective DCA recipients are also welcome



◆ FOR MORE INFORMATION

- For further details about the application or nomination process, please contact Jessica Leary Yeager '10, Associate Director of Admission at Denison University: Email: yeagerj@denison.edu | Phone: **740-587-6278**
- Please direct students to denison.edu/admission for more information, to sign up for virtual events, or to schedule a campus visit.



Educational format, residential life, campus programming, and student activity offerings are subject to change in the event of exigent circumstances, including the ongoing COVID-19 situation.