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| MEDGAR EVERS  |
| ARE YOU ASTUDENT WHO…? | **PROGRAMS OVERVIEW** |
| * Is both independent AND knows how get support from others?
* Is outgoing in getting to know advisors and professors?
* Likes to joins clubs to meet peers?
 | The best ways to start your freshman year strong at Medgar is to build your support team (advisors, peers, and campus resources) through taking advantage of the following:**SEEK Program**Director: Janice Zumo**Summer Immersion**A must-do FREE opportunity for students to save tuition or limited financial aid to pass out of remediation before actually starting college. To attend:1. **Take CUNY Placement Test by April/May.**
2. **If assigned to remediation**, contact the Medgar Evers testing office to sign up for Summer Immersion in July or August.

**Freshman Year Program**ALL FRESHMEN enter Medgar Evers assigned to mandatory freshmen seminar classes in the fall and spring semesters. The Freshman Year Program offers:1. **Advising**
* Freshman seminars are 1 credit MANDATORY classes taught by the students’ ‘ freshman year advisor.
* Students must meet with advisors at least once out of class each semester, but are encouraged to make additional appointments.
* Students have the choice of switching freshman advisors 2nd semester.
1. **Orientation to Campus**
* Scavenger hunts to learn about people, places, and resources freshman must get comfortable accessing i.e. online registration, counseling, etc.
1. **Major & Career Planning**
* Explore academic departments, think critically about your influences, and decide confidently on the major/career that’s right for you.

**Men’s and Women’s Development Centers**Visit these campus centers during your first semester to learn about opportunities including mentoring, workshops, clubs, honor societies, and conferences.**Student Clubs**It’s important that students join a club for peer support, fun, and stress relief.* There is a Club Fair every fall semester.
* Clubs often visit Freshman Seminar classes to recruit students.
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| ADMISSIONS &ELIGIBILITY |
| High school diploma or GED76.4 GPA (SEEK = 72.3 GPA)795 SAT (SEEK = 761) |
| APP PROCESS& TIMELINE |
|  CUNY APP DEADLINES: Fall: Feb. 1Spring: Sept. 15 1. Apply to CUNY by WINTER BREAK.
2. Get CUNY acceptances – commit with Medgar.
3. Take CUNY placement test (March/April).
4. Get placement test scores and if assigned to remediation, sign up for Summer Immersion with Medgar Testing office.
5. All matriculation steps & paperwork to Medgar.
6. FIRST YEAR: Freshman Year Program advisor.
7. SECOND YEAR: Choose major, assigned to advisor by academic department.
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| **KEY INSIDER INFORMATION**  |
| It’s important to create a “community within a community” at Medgar by taking advantage of the resources above.* This is especially true if you are not SEEK eligible – as the SEEK program provides students with a smaller SEEK community, more intensive advising, and its own freshmen seminar courses.
* *See separate page for more info on SEEK or contact the Medgar Evers SEEK office.*

In speaking to the Director of the Freshman Year Program, his best advice was for students to join at least one club in addition to their courses: * Some clubs are social, but most are affiliated with an academic department.
* Feel empowered to go to the club fair and academic departments to ask questions.
* Check out the Men’s and Women’s Centers!!
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| MEDGAR EVERS PG. 2  |
| LINKS | **FAQs** |
| HOME:<http://www.mec.cuny.edu/default.asp>CENTER FOR WOMEN’S DEVELOPMENT:<http://www.mec.cuny.edu/stud_affairs/womens_center.asp>CLUBS:<http://www.mec.cuny.edu/stud_life/student_activities.asp> | 1. **Why do Summer Immersion? I want to chill the summer after graduation.**
* If you are in need of remediation, DO NOT WASTE YOUR FINANCIAL AID ON REMEDIAL COURSES YOUR FIRST SEMESTER.
* You only get 8 semesters of financial aid to complete a four-year degree, this means you must maintain satisfactory progress every semester.
* Summer Immersion is only 4.5 weeks, not the whole summer, and it could save you a lot of time, money, and financial aid.
1. **I didn’t do many extra-curriculars in high school. Why should I start now?**
* Clubs offer informal peer mentoring. Older students offer THE BEST ADVICE to new students.
* Common Club Hour is offered two days a week. There are no classes scheduled at this time, which means every student is free to join a club or organization.
* Especially if you struggle academically your first year, which most freshmen do, a club can offer you support and an experience of being interested and successful!
1. **Am I SEEK eligible?**
* SEEK eligibility is the same as EOP eligibility. It depends on your family income.
1. **What if I don’t like my Freshman Year advisor?**
* You can switch advisors 2nd semester when you register for Freshman Seminar 2.
1. **Why do freshmen have to take an extra course?**
* The transition from high school to college is really tough. College students are expected to be extremely independent. The course helps you build that independence and familiarity with resources on campus.
* Most students who experience academic probation or dismissal don’t know how to advocate for themselves, manage their time, or speak with someone when they are experiencing problems or stress in or out of school.
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| ALUMNI TO TALK TO | **CONTACT INFORMATION** |
|  | **Freshman Year Program***Director of Freshman Year Program,* Jeffrey Sigler 718-270-6052*Freshmen Year Program Administrative Assistant* 718-270-5085 or 718-270-4855**Admissions** 718-270-6024*Freshman Admissions,* Mr. Nelson Carrillo 718-270-6026 **ncarrillo@mec.cuny.edu** **SEEK** 718-270-4970**Testing Center** 718-270-4835 |