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UNH Expands Granite Guarantee to Transfer Students

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DURHAM, N.H.—The University of New Hampshire will expand its commitment to New Hampshire students by offering the Granite Guarantee to graduates from the Community College System of New Hampshire as of December 2018 and beyond.

In its first two years UNH's Granite Guarantee has helped 800 first-year students studying on the Durham and Manchester campuses. This expansion of the program, which guarantees New Hampshire students who receive federal Pell grants pay no tuition to attend the university, is for students who transfer to UNH directly from CCSNH.

“The expansion of Granite Guarantee to new graduates of the community college system allows us to continue to work to remove financial barriers to higher education that many New Hampshire families face,” said UNH President James W. Dean, Jr. “We value our partnership with the state’s community colleges and see this as an opportunity to encourage students to stay on track to complete a bachelor’s degree in four years.”

The commitment remains in place for the two years to earn a bachelor’s degree, provided the student is enrolled full-time, remains Pell eligible and makes satisfactory progress toward their degree.

“Our graduates are outstanding students who come from diverse backgrounds and all corners of New Hampshire,” said Ross Gittell, CCSNH chancellor. “They are highly sought after thanks to the education they receive at the community colleges and the Granite Guarantee will be a valuable recruiting tool to retain these students in New Hampshire after they have completed their associate degrees. This is a way to encourage more of NH’s best and brightest students to stay in the state to earn bachelor’s degrees and help the state achieve its 65 by 25 goal to enhance the Granite State’s skilled workforce. We thank UNH for expanding the Granite Guarantee to New Hampshire community college graduates who transfer to UNH.”

No separate application is needed for UNH's Granite Guarantee. Students simply apply for admission (<http://www.unh.edu/main/apply>) to UNH and apply for financial aid (<http://www.unh.edu/financialaid>) through the existing procedures. The transfer application deadline for spring 2019 enrollment has been extended to Nov 15. Students who apply for fall 2019 and beyond will also be eligible.

The University of New Hampshire is a flagship research university that inspires innovation and transforms lives in our state, nation and world. More than 16,000 students from all 50 states and 71 countries engage with an award-winning faculty in top ranked programs in business, engineering, law, health and human services, liberal arts and the sciences across more than 200 programs of study. UNH’s research portfolio includes partnerships with NASA, NOAA, NSF and NIH, receiving more than \$100 million in competitive external funding every year to further explore and define the frontiers of land, sea and space.



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