

The Juan Bautista Rodríguez Scholarship

Deadline: Monday, April 25, 2022 by 5pm

Description: Given to a continuing Latin@ undergraduate student or a continuing Latin@ graduate student, with preference to students of Dominican descent, in good academic standing and who has excelled in service to and leadership of the Latin@ community in the amount of \$1,000. International students are welcome to apply. Scholarship will first be applied toward tuition costs; otherwise, it will be given directly to the student as an award.



Juan Bautista Rodríguez as a young man

Mr. Juan Bautista Rodríguez was born on Valentine's Day in Maizal, Santiago, in the Dominican Republic. From a young age, Juan knew he wanted to be an engineer. However, his father owned a large farm, and put him to work there, and he only achieved a third grade education level. When he became old enough, he got a job as the apprentice to a master engineer in the field of construction. This enabled him to work in constructing bridges, houses, offices, etc., all the while reading as many books as he could to educate himself.

Juan married Diana Vargas. With seven children, the prospect of a better life was difficult; they decided that they would do everything possible so that their children would get an education. Juan decided to emigrate to New York; working hard, he saved enough money to bring his family. Juan taught his children a strong work ethic and emphasized that one could lose one's money but not one's education. His pride and joy is that all seven children went to college and became professionals.

It is to honor Juan's love of learning that this scholarship is established, so that even in spirit Juan can help someone achieve the dream of a college education.

To apply for an award, a student must submit the application sheet with a typed 1-2 page personal statement that demonstrates service to and leadership within the Latin@ community, any volunteer work, and accomplishments, as well as future goals no later than **Monday, April 25, 2022 by 5pm**. Please submit via email to the Department of Puerto Rican and Latino Studies (PRLS)—Ms. Matilda Nistal at: MNistal@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

The recipient must be able to attend Department of PRLS
"Empowering Our Future: Careers and Graduate School"
In May 2022

For further information, please call 718.951.5561(remote)



2022 • Juan Bautista Rodríguez Scholarship Application
PERSONAL STATEMENT COVER SHEET

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Email completed application and statement to: mnistal@brooklyn.cuny.edu

NAME _____

EMPLID# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

CELL PHONE NUMBER _____

MAJOR(S) _____

MINOR _____

Education CONCENTRATION _____

EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION _____

***PLEASE ATTACH THIS INFORMATION SHEET TO YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT -
DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Email complete application and personal statement to: mnistal@brooklyn.cuny.edu