

Baltimore City Community College Programs for Refugees

REFUGEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RAP)

The Refugee Assistance Program is designed to improve the English-language ability of refugees and asylees 16 years of age or older. RAP classes focus on developing skills necessary to find employment and function in the everyday English-language environment.

Additionally, RAP classes provide a supportive classroom environment with instructors who are able to respond to individual students' language needs. Flexible day and evening schedules allow students to arrange their study time around their work life.

RAP classes are free and available only to refugees and asylees who have lived in the U.S. for five years or less.

Enrollment for RAP is on-going. Students must submit proof of refugee or political asylum status. To ensure placement at the proper level, students will be given a placement test at registration. Call 410-986-5430 for more information.

In partnership with employers, RAP also offers on-site ESL classes at the workplace to meet the specific language needs of refugees via a workplace-specific curriculum. For a workplace ESL partnership, call 410-986-5464 for more information.



REFUGEE YOUTH PROJECT (RYP)

The Refugee Youth Project helps school-aged youth develop the knowledge and skills required for academic success and positive integration. Programs include after-school, summer school, individual mentoring, college access mentoring, and community arts. After-school programs focus on homework help, social skills, and building and improving English language skills. RYP partners with local colleges, universities, and high schools to recruit more than 250 volunteers each year. Volunteers play a crucial role in providing extra academic support and guidance to youth participants. Call 410-558-3194 for more information.

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