CUNY Start is a low-cost 16 week program for CUNY community college students who are required to enroll in a remedial course(s).

In the CUNY Start Program, students enroll in Pre-College Math and/or Academic Reading/Writing as needed. Each track includes College Advisement.

At the end of the course, students re-take any placement exams in which they have studied. The ultimate goal of the program is to help students entering CUNY, reduce or eliminate their remedial needs.

CUNY Start is part of a study that's purpose is to learn about the best ways to help students succeed in college. Eligible students will be chosen by a lottery system. Around 75 percent of students entering the lottery will get into CUNY Start.